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Education

Colorado State University – Fort Collins, CO
B.S. Natural Resources Recreation and Tourism
Concentration: Parks and Protected Area Management

Graduated Fall 2018 *Magna Cum Laude*
Minor: Global Environmental Sustainability
3.96 / 4.0 GPA

Work Experience

- Denver Parks & Recreation** – *Park Ranger Intern*, Denver CO Dec. 2018 – present
- Assist in patrolling the highly diverse parklands
 - Interpret information for the public and enforce regulations
 - Protect the people and natural resources within the parks
- Denver Botanic Gardens** – *Gardens Guide*, Denver CO Nov. 2018 – present
- Provide customer service during Blossoms of Light event
 - Direct visitors, answer questions, and solve problems
- Institute for Environmental Solutions** – *Graduate Intern*, Denver CO Nov. 2018 – present
- Collaborate with team members to carry out the Tree Project goals
 - Lead educational workshops and planting days for local students
 - Write grant proposals and fundraising materials
- Shadowcliff Mountain Lodge** – *Rotating Staff*, Grand Lake, CO May 2018 – Sept. 2018
- Created and led interpretive hikes for guests
 - Made over-the-phone and walk-in reservations, handled money transactions
 - Assisted in the kitchen with breakfast, lunch, and dinner for groups
 - Cleaned guest and common rooms
- Pulliam Scholars Environmental Education Program** – Fort Collins, CO Aug. 2017 – May 2018
- Led groups of 4th grade students on field trips about plants, animals, and soil
 - Mentored freshman high school students with ecology research projects

Certifications & Skills

- Certified Interpretive Guide – National Association for Interpretation (2018)
- Leave No Trace Certification (2017)
- Computer skills: Microsoft Suite, ArcGIS, SPSS, and social media
- Customer service skills: communication, risk management, and problem solving
- Leadership skills: listening, teamwork, time management, detail-oriented

Community Involvement

- Warner College of Natural Resources College Council** – *Treasurer* Aug. 2017 – May 2018
- Responsible for the Council's budget
 - Coordinate Gear Swap events once a semester
 - Manage Gear Cart merchandise, bank, and volunteers to raise funds
- Society of Women Environmental Professionals CSU Chapter** – *Treasurer* Aug. 2017 – May 2018
- Responsible for SWEP's budget and fundraising events
- Colorado State Forest Service** – *Volunteer*, Fort Collins, CO Fall 2015 & 2016
- Collected plant material for use at the CSFS nursery
 - Rebuilt trails affected by flood
 - Removed invasive plant species
- Great Plains Nature Center** – *Volunteer*, Wichita, KS Summers 2015 & 2016
- Maintained trails and collected trash
 - Fed and cleaned cages for animals on exhibit and in classroom