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Top Skills

Policy Analysis
Federal Government
State Government

Languages

English (Native or Bilingual)

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Biden EPA Alum | Princeton MPA Student | Domestic Climate Policy
Greater Boston

Summary

I am an MPA student at Princeton building out my environmental policy knowledge and policy analysis + writing skillset. Before coming to Princeton, I worked at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), where I served as Special Assistant to the Associate Administrator for Policy.

Experience

Office of Massachusetts Governor Maura Healey
Graduate Policy Intern, Office of Climate Innovation and Resilience
June 2023 - Present (5 months)
Boston, Massachusetts, United States

- Supported the Massachusetts Climate Chief, a cabinet-level official, and the newly established Office of Climate Innovation and Resilience, which is located within the Office of the Governor of Massachusetts.
- Briefed and provided substantive policy recommendations to the Chief on several policy issues, including green bonds, energy-efficient housing/construction, and Massachusetts's new clean heat standard.
- Contributed drafting, editing, and design support for the forthcoming public report Recommendations of the Climate Chief, which will provide a whole-of-government review and recommendations for modifications and improvements to better align the state's decision-making and action on climate matters.
- Conducted meetings across the state government, NGOs, and academia in order to prepare two policy memos with recommendations to the Chief on both improving financing for climate resiliency and implementing the Social Cost of Greenhouse Gases in state policymaking, planning, and procurement.
- Represented the Climate Chief at meetings with various private and public sector organizations.

Princeton School of Public and International Affairs
Master's of Public Affairs - Class of 2024
July 2022 - Present (1 year 4 months)

Policy Interests: Net-zero and energy transition policy implementation; Climate adaptation policy

Professional Experiences: Research project in support of the City of Philadelphia's 2023 Climate Adaptation Plan

Relevant Coursework: Advanced Quantitative Analysis for Policy Makers; Applied Econometrics; Advanced Microeconomics Analysis; Advanced Macroeconomic Analysis; Psychology for Policy Analysis and Implementation; Global Environmental Governance

Extracurricular Involvement: Environmental Policy Associate with the Center for Policy Research on Energy and the Environment; Princeton University Policy Student Government - Sustainability Representative; SPIA Climate Club - Co-Chair; Climate and energy policy trip to Alaska (January 2023)

US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

Special Assistant, Office of Policy

February 2021 - July 2022 (1 year 6 months)

Washington DC-Baltimore Area

Biden-Harris Appointee

- Wrote three separate agency action plans on behalf of the Associate Administrator that outlined actions EPA will undertake to implement the President's Gender Equity Strategy, Executive Order 14019 (Promoting Access to Voting), and the President's Cancer Moonshot. These plans were all reviewed and approved by either the Administrator or Deputy Administrator.
- Drafted talking points and emails for the Associate Administrator for Policy
- Bolstered the EPA's Climate Adaptation program in multiple roles, including managing the development of EPA's first-ever climate adaptation webpage (epa.gov/ClimateAdaptation).
- Drafted comments for the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator for Policy on over ten draft plans for the spending of funding provided to EPA under the 2021 Bipartisan Infrastructure Law.
- Staffed the Deputy Associate Administrator for Policy in support of Executive Orders 14017 and 14057 (America's Supply Chains and the Federal Sustainability Plan respectively). Duties included: drafting emails, agendas, and talking points ahead of intra-agency workgroup meetings; tracking communications related to 14017 and 14057 on an inter- and intra-agency basis; and for 14017, compiling weekly reports on agency work related to America's supply chains, critical minerals, and semiconductor production.

- Planned an event at the US Center at the Climate Conference of Parties in Glasgow (COP26), where EPA Assistant Administrator for International and Tribal Affairs, Jane Nishida, moderated a youth roundtable on environmental justice and climate change.
- Compiled memos and weekly reports for the Administrator and the White House on weekly accomplishments, upcoming announcements, and rule-makings from across the Office of Policy.
- Interviewed, hired and onboarded my replacement in my final weeks on the jobs.

North Carolina Democratic Party

Deputy Data Director

August 2020 - November 2020 (4 months)

Raleigh, North Carolina, United States

- Designed and co-built a system that greatly streamlined organizers' and volunteer leaders' ability to manage and confirm phone-banking and canvassing volunteers across 80 staging locations during the period of greatest volunteer activity
- Built in Civis platform and designed in Google Sheets and Google Data Studio reports for the Organizing, Digital, GOTV and Voter Protection departments, including an automated daily volunteer activity email to organizers, progress to goal (PTG) reports for field organizers, ballot cure canvass regional directors and campus fellows, an active volunteers report, universe penetration reports for GOTV, ballot cure and provisional ballot universes, an out of state capacity dashboard, and more
- Served as lead in-state Administrator for the the backend of ThruTalk (autodialer) where we made over 10 million GOTV phone attempts
- Facilitated weekly statewide trainings and Q&As for organizers and regionals on data skills including but not limited to VAN and Google Sheets
- Led the fulfillment of over 150 data support tickets

Warren for President

Field Organizer

June 2019 - March 2020 (10 months)

Council Bluffs, Iowa

- Created systems for managing four organizing fellows with daily check-in and check-out calls, metrics reporting on Google Sheets and following up on progress to hitting goal

- Managed six Staging Locations across Southwest Iowa during Get Out the Caucus as a Regional GOTC Desk and oversaw and coached volunteers on reporting, re-shifting, confirm + chase calls, turf priority order, data entry in VAN and Google Sheets and the distribution of supplies to precinct captains on caucus night
- Recruited and managed an unprecedented organization in Southwest Iowa with eight volunteer leaders running weekly canvasses and phone banks and five leaders running a Staging Location for GOTC
- Trained, coached and managed 21 Precinct Captains who in turn managed 19 precinct team members to execute our caucus night strategy

Solstice - Solar for every American

6 months

Community Outreach Associate

April 2019 - June 2019 (3 months)

Cambridge, Massachusetts

- Exceeded sales goals by 100%-300% through cold calls and calls to inbound leads, making the economic and environmental benefits of solar energy more accessible.
- Enrolled Solstice's largest-ever client (at the time), a large non-profit that owns dozens of residential properties, by bringing it through the entire Sales funnel, prospecting to converted.

Outreach Fellow

January 2019 - March 2019 (3 months)

Cambridge, Massachusetts

Democratic Party of Wisconsin

Field Organizer

July 2018 - November 2018 (5 months)

East Troy, Wisconsin

- Organized in a rural county (Walworth) and built five, independent, volunteer-led teams who, combined, activated over 120 volunteers, knocked 13,567 doors and made over 20,000 phone calls
- Managed 11 volunteer leaders and 3 organizing fellows (interns)

- Increased Walworth County Democratic Governor margin (D minus R) by 7% over 2014 margin.
- Consistently met or exceeded recruitment and voter contact goals set by the statewide field program leadership
- Developed and trained volunteer leadership to entirely self-run two GOTV staging locations for dry-runs and GOTV

J Street

J Street U Vice President for the Midwest (Elected, Volunteer Position)
August 2017 - August 2018 (1 year 1 month)

J Street U is the student organizing arm of J Street, an organization that seeks to support the creation of a two-state solution to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict through strong American political leadership.

As Vice President for the Midwest I worked with the J Street U staff and my fellow student board members to develop a brand new national campaign to partner each J Street U region with a Palestinian village and raise international attention and financial support from students, politicians, and American Jewish leaders and institutions. I also led the Midwest regional team of 6 other board members which recruited 196 Midwest students for the national J Street conference in April 2018 and is now focused on the implementation of our national campaign across 10 campus chapters in the Midwest. My time at J Street U gave me experience creating and facilitating national as well as regional grass roots organizing + leadership development trainings.

JANE ADDAMS SENIOR CAUCUS

Housing Organizing Intern
June 2017 - August 2017 (3 months)
Chicago, IL

J Street U Wash U

Co-Chair
May 2016 - December 2016 (8 months)
St. Louis

Managed a team of 10 students to employ regular educational programming designed to teach students how to be effective activists in bringing about a two state solution between Israel and Palestine through organizing with the local Jewish community. Met with local leaders and organized events both on and off campus. Attended and assisted in the facilitation of grass roots organizing and leadership development trainings at the local, regional and national level.

Wash U Habitat for Humanity

2 years 1 month

Chair of Education and Advocacy

December 2015 - December 2016 (1 year 1 month)

Planned a 4 day pre-orientation program that took place in August 2016 for incoming freshman. The program allowed incoming freshman to engage with St. Louis in a meaningful way and exposed them to challenges the cities faced along economic and racial lines. We also introduced them to different organizations trying to address these challenges.

Treasurer

December 2014 - December 2015 (1 year 1 month)

Washington University in St. Louis

Managed group expenses and acted as a liaison to the student union.

SIMS at WUSTL Lab

Undergraduate Research Assitant

June 2016 - August 2016 (3 months)

St. Louis

Bayly Mechanical Engineering Lab - Washington University

Undergraduate Research Assistant

August 2015 - May 2016 (10 months)

St. Louis, MO

Draper Laboratory

Intern

May 2015 - July 2015 (3 months)

Cambridge, MA

Tencap Sports, LLC

Marketing Intern

May 2014 - August 2014 (4 months)

Boston, MA

California Pizza Kitchen

Take out/Curbside Associate

April 2014 - August 2014 (5 months)

Wellesley, Massachusetts

Temple Beth Elohim

Teaching Assistant

October 2009 - May 2014 (4 years 8 months)

10 Bethel Road, Wellesley MA 02481

Assisted in Kindergarden and 1st Grade Sunday school classes.

TripReactor

Intern

July 2013 - July 2013 (1 month)

boston, massachusetts

Education

Princeton University

MPA, Domestic Policy · (August 2022)

Washington University in St. Louis

Bachelor of Science (B.S.), Mechanical Engineering · (2014 - May 2018)

The University of Edinburgh

Study Abroad, Mechanical Engineering · (2017 - 2017)

Weston High School

· (2010 - 2014)