

## B. Levi Bohanan

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### **WORK EXPERIENCE**

**Next100**, New York, NY; Nationwide

*Policy Entrepreneur* - July 2019- Present

- Develop and draft policy recommendations designed to expand affordable high-quality early childhood education and to improve equity in P-12 education at state and national levels, on issues such as early educator pay equity, universal preschool, LGBTQ+ student rights, and academic opportunity for students experiencing homelessness
- Research and advocate for expansion of affordable high-quality childhood education in New York State and nationwide through policy in written commentaries, panels, interviews, and other public appearances
- Manage social media accounts daily through developed processes that rely on lateral management of a team of 9

**Bank Street College of Education**, New York, NY

*Fellow* - September 2018- July 2019

- Developed and implemented state-wide policy and advocacy strategy to expand high-quality clinically-rich teacher preparation programs in New York State

**Walton Family Foundation**, Washington, DC; New York, NY

*Program Support Associate* - January 2017- August 2018

- Served on the school startup administrative staff, a team that grants up to \$10 million in funding for new charter schools in target cities, operating logistics and serving as the primary school contact for inquiries and support
- Provided support to program officers in the grant making process by providing substantive review of operational materials and coordinating with grantees around reporting of progress toward established metrics

**U.S. Department of Education, Office of the Secretary**, Washington, DC

*Special Project Manager* - July 2016- January 2017

- Served as a political appointee at the U.S. Department of Education in the Obama administration
- Supported the Secretary of Education daily through tasks such as substantive and critical review of all Secretarial engagement, strategic planning on Secretarial involvement in events and meetings, and serving on an operational support team within the Secretary's personal office
- Supported the intra-agency working group on homeless youth programs and initiatives by leading bi-weekly check-ins and aligning leadership with administration priorities
- Drafted and delivered the Department's weekly Cabinet Affairs reports to the White House, managing a team to track and edit cross-office submissions for weekly analyses on Department activities
- Served on the Human Capital Project Management Team to plan and provide professional development to more than 150 political appointees at the Department through weekly panels, lectures, and other engagements
- Planned and executed quarterly Department-wide staff meetings on topics such as regulation announcements, staff appreciation, and legacy events

**U.S. Department of Education, Office of Legislation and Congressional Affairs**, Washington, DC

*Confidential Assistant* - August 2015- July 2016

- Served on the confirmation team during Secretarial confirmation process before the U.S. Senate by coordinating meetings with U.S. Senators and assisting in preparing the nominee
- Supported the Assistant Secretary of Legislation and Congressional Affairs during the passage of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)
- Briefed with a team the senior Department officials for Congressional hearings on topics such as the SOAR Act the Opportunity Scholarship Program, nation-wide student achievement, and higher education affordability
- Drafted and edited correspondence from Department principals in response to members of Congress
- Engaged in outreach to key Congressional offices to align Administration priorities with those of the Congressional members

### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

**Association to Benefit Children, The Graham School**, Harlem, NY

*Zankel Fellow*- August 2018- July 2019

### **EDUCATION**

Texas A&M University, College Station, TX; Bachelor of Arts, Political Science

Teachers College, Columbia University, New York City, NY; Masters of Arts, Education Policy