

## Regina Black

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### EDUCATION

#### JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY

**SCHOOL OF ADVANCED INTERNATIONAL STUDIES (SAIS)** | M.A. International Relations & Economics | May 2019

- Concentration: International Economics, Conflict Management, Arabic language

**THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY** | Magna Cum Laude, Sept 10-May 14 | B.A. Public Affairs (Public Policy & Leadership)

- Study Abroad: Tunisia, June-August 2012

### EXPERIENCE

**U.S. DAIRY EXPORT COUNCIL** | Director, Office of the CEO | June 19 – present

- Manage the schedule, engagements, and initiatives of the CEO and COO
- Oversee internal and external communications with the inter/intra departmental groups on behalf of the CEO and COO, resulting in implementation of organization priorities aimed at increasing U.S. dairy exports
- Develop implementation strategies for the CEO's priorities, and both manage and monitor senior staff's progress on key initiatives, time-sensitive issues, and deadlines

**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FOREIGN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE** | Legislative Intern | May 18-Aug 18

- Performed a policy analysis of the 2018 Farm Bill, resulting in the formation of amendments on international food aid and trade
- Facilitated the introduction of four bills and multiple hearings, and authored the supporting briefing documents and floor remarks for the Ranking Member, resulting in each piece of legislation being voted out of committee

**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE** | Acting Deputy Chief of Staff, Foreign Agricultural Service | Oct 2016 – Jan 2017

- Developed an operation system for 1,200 staff members in the U.S. and 93 countries to ensure alignment with broader USDA and Presidential Administration goals on trade, food security, and export markets
- Identified creative solutions to address challenges within the interagency to ensure the advancement of mission goals
- Examined gender inequalities in international agriculture and facilitated discussion on programmatic changes to better serve women farmers internationally, resulting in programs and budget allocations specifically for women farmers and scientists
- Represented USDA as a member of President Obama's Climate Leadership group, ensuring farmers, ranchers and food were key to the administration's climate policy initiatives, resulting in a cross-agency program with USDA and NASA

**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE** | Special Assistant, Foreign Agricultural Service | Apr 16-Oct 16

- Maintained and coordinated an interagency operational system for producing and submitting technical and supporting information for meetings and events on international agricultural priorities, processing upwards of 30 documents per week
- Operationalized the strategic planning of international travel for high-level principals resulting in private sector investment to support small and medium U.S. exporters and bilateral efforts
- Conceptualized and organized a conference on international trade resulting in greater stakeholder awareness of and participation in trade promotion and USDA export programs

**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE** | Special Assistant, Office of the Deputy Secretary | Dec 14-Apr 16

- Developed and executed the implementation of the Women in Ag initiative to promote the role of women in the industry and created a member base of over 1,500 nationally
- Wrote and collaborated within the department on briefing documents and speeches for the Deputy Secretary
- Served as one of five USDA representatives in the President's Climate Leadership Workshop, focused on interagency collaboration on climate and environmental policy, resulting in the integration of climate awareness in USDA programs

**FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION** | Intern, Office of the Chairman | Jun 14-Oct 14

- Coordinated and edited briefing materials for the Chairman, and staffed outreach meetings to track opinions on and conduct follow-up related to policy initiatives
- Analyzed Congressional actions on telecommunications issues, specifically net neutrality

**MAYOR MICHAEL B. COLEMAN, Columbus, OH** | External Affairs Intern | Jan 14-May 14

- Authored the Early Start program Request for Proposal, resulting in high-quality pre-kindergarten in Columbus City Schools
- Planned and organized the Mayor's annual Interfaith Prayer Service and State of the City Address

**U.S. SENATOR SHERROD BROWN (D-OH)** | Intern, District Office, Columbus, OH | Aug 12-May 13

- Monitored and improved constituent relations by assisting with Social Security, housing, and banking casework and by fielding opinions on legislation

### LEADERSHIP AND SKILLS

**Mentor** Ag Women Lead, USDA | Ohio State Alumni Assn. and Washington Program | SAIS PeaceKidZ

**Languages** | Modern Standard Arabic