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EMPLOYMENT

2020-Present **The University of Iowa College of Law**, Iowa City, IA
Iowa Law Faculty Fellowship - Visiting Assistant Professor

EDUCATION

2016-2020 **Northwestern Pritzker School of Law**, Chicago, IL
Juris Doctor

2014-2020 **Northwestern University**, Evanston, IL
Ph.D. Media, Technology & Society; (Emphasis: Health Communication)
Dissertation: “Cultural and Racial Recognition of Blackness in America: A Study
of African and Afro-Caribbean Immigrant Health and Experiences”
Committee: Professor Courtney Scherr (chair), Professor Jim Schwoch,
Professor Uzoamaka Nzelibe

2013-2014 **Washington University in St. Louis School of Law**, St. Louis, MO

2009-2013 **University of Pennsylvania**, Philadelphia, PA
Bachelor of Arts in Communications and World History, *cum laude*;
Minor in Art History

FELLOWSHIPS AND HONORS

2016-2020 **Northwestern University**, Evanston, IL
Graduate Fellow in Legal Studies

2016-2020 **Northwestern Pritzker School of Law**, Chicago, IL
Northwestern University Law and Science Fellow
Northwestern Law Scholars Program

2013-2014 **Washington University in St. Louis School of Law**, St. Louis, MO
Scholar in Law Recipient
Marion C. Early Scholarship Award
Maury B. Poscover Family Endowed Scholarship

2012-2013 **University of Pennsylvania**, Philadelphia, PA
John Marshall Pre-Law Honor Society
2011-2013 Phi Alpha Theta, Academic History Honor Society

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Winter 2018

Northwestern University, Evanston, IL

Research Assistant

Advisor: Dr. Bruce Lambert

Developed coding system to assess message responses to hypothetical medical error events. Tested the validity of the system with the goal of being able to use this system on a national scale. Studied concerns around medical error and how to improve patient safety through better, transparent communication.

Summer 2017

Northwestern Pritzker School of Law, Chicago, IL

Research Assistant

Advisor: Dr. Candice Player

Analyzed the current legal standard on a doctor or hospital's responsibility to disclose a medical error. Developed an ethical standard around issues concerning the disclosure of a medical error. Studied and reviewed current literature on patient safety and harm.

Spring 2017

Northwestern Pritzker School of Law, Chicago, IL

Research Assistant

Advisor: Dr. Destiny Peery

Analyzed the legal and social history of informed consent when making treatment decisions. Evaluated the racial disparities in medical treatment and decision-making. Examined how the law reinforces racial discrimination in the medical context, specifically when making informed decisions about treatment.

Summer 2016

Northwestern University, Evanston, IL

Research Assistant

Advisor: Dr. Anne Marie Piper

Designed a project focused on immigration and the functioning of immigration courts. Attended and observed immigration courtrooms 2-3 times a week. Used ethnographic methods to gather and analyze data from court observations. Evaluated the use of technology in the courtroom and identified how this affected the experience of the respondent. Examined the immigration court system and determined areas for improvement.

Spring 2016

Chicago Appleseed, Chicago, IL

Research Assistant

Advisor: Malcolm Rich

Developed a collaborative plan to connect Appleseed branches nationwide in addressing immigration issues. Created a strategy to reflect the goals of each institution and their level of participation on the project. Participated in staff meetings and contributed project planning. Surveyed and critiqued immigration court proceedings. Interviewed attorneys within Appleseed and other participating legal organizations.

Summer 2015

Northwestern University, Evanston, IL

Research Assistant

Advisor: Dr. Bruce Lambert

Studied the disclosure of medical error. Reviewed disclosure messages by doctors and health professionals in response to hypothetical event. Coded and analyzed

message responses. Created a coding system for a specific disclosure situation. Assessed doctor responses to build and consider a framework of how disclosure is currently addressed.

Summer 2013

Department of Homeland Security, El Paso, TX

Department of Homeland Security Scholar

Advisor: Dr. Douglas Watts

Investigated the historical roots of bioterrorism and studied awareness and understanding of this issue among the population living along the US/Mexico border. Created a survey which was administered to students attending the University of Texas in El Paso (UTEP). Conducted surveys to determine student awareness of bioterrorism and recommended steps to educate the community.

Summer 2012

Cancer Prevention Research Institute of Texas, El Paso, TX

CPRIT Fellow & Research Assistant

Advisor: Dr. Victor Cardenas

Researched and studied the rates of cervical cancer among women living along the US/Mexico border. Created and designed films, pamphlets, and surveys in English and Spanish that pertained to HPV and education about screening and cervical cancer prevention. Worked with community organizations to decide how to best present the message and raise awareness of HPV.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Spring 2019

Northwestern University, Chicago, IL

Teaching Assistant, School of Communication

Health and Social Media—Undergraduate Course

Advisor: Dr. Kimberly Pusateri

Winter 2019

Northwestern University, Evanston, IL

Teaching Assistant, School of Communication

Health Communication in the Era of Precision Medicine—Undergraduate Course

Advisor: Dr. Courtney Scherr

Fall 2018

Northwestern University, Evanston, IL

Teaching Assistant, School of Communication

Organizational Processes in Creative Enterprises—MSLCE Course

Advisor: Dr. Pablo Boczkowski

Summer 2018

Northwestern University, Chicago, IL

Teaching Assistant, Center for Communication & Health

Changing Health Behavior—MSCH Course

Advisor: Dr. Courtney Scherr

Spring 2018

Northwestern University, Evanston, IL

Teaching Assistant, School of Communication

Leading Creative Teams—MSCH Course

Advisor: Dr. Gail Berger

- Spring 2018 **Northwestern University**, Chicago, IL
Teaching Assistant, Center for Communication & Health
Patient Engagement— MSCH Course
Adviser: Dr. Jan Berger
- Winter 2018 **Northwestern University**, Chicago, IL
Teaching Assistant, Center for Communication & Health
Human Computer Interaction— MSCH Course
Adviser: Dr. Jordan Eschler
- Fall 2017 **Northwestern University**, Chicago, IL
Teaching Assistant, Center for Communication & Health
How Interaction Works— MSCH Course
Adviser: Dr. Bruce Lambert
- Winter 2016-Winter 2017 **Northwestern University**, Evanston, IL
Class Tutor & Writing Tutor, Department of Athletics
Courses: Communication Studies, History, Legal Studies, Global Health
Supervisor: Shuji Otsuka
- Winter 2016 **Northwestern University**, Chicago, IL
Teaching Assistant, Center for Communication & Health
Human-Computer Interaction— MSCH Course
Adviser: Dr. Madhu Reddy
- Fall 2015 **Northwestern University**, Chicago, IL
Teaching Assistant, Center for Communication & Health
How Interaction Works— MSCH Course
Adviser: Dean Barbara O’Keefe
- Summer 2015 **Northwestern University**, Chicago, IL
Teaching Assistant, Center for Communication & Health
Children, Media, & Health— MSCH Course
Adviser: Dr. Ellen Wartella
- Spring 2015 **Northwestern University**, Chicago, IL
Teaching Assistant, Center for Communication & Health
Engaging Patients in Healthcare— MSCH Course
Adviser: Dr. Jan Berger
- Winter 2015 **Northwestern University**, Chicago, IL
Teaching Assistant, Center for Communication & Health
Health Communication & Health Literacy— MSCH Course
Adviser: Dr. Michael Wolf

LEGAL EXPERIENCE

- Fall 2019-Spring 2020 **Northwestern Deportation Clinic**, Evanston, IL
Graduate Intern
Advisor: Professor Jacqueline Stevens

Managed and oversaw project exploring U.S. government use of dental and bone radiographs to determine the age of unaccompanied minors in the U.S. Analyzed information provided from FOIA requests and reviewed data.

Fall 2016 – Spring 2017

Northwestern Bluhm Legal Clinic, Chicago, IL

Clinic Student – Immigration Clinic

Advisor: Professor Uzomaka Nzelibe

Managed and oversaw client cases for unaccompanied minors migrating to the US. Researched case law, filed and submitted documents on client's behalf. Interviewed clients and coached them to build up their case.

Spring 2016 – Summer 2016 **Chicago Appleseed**, Chicago, IL

Graduate Intern

Advisor: Malcolm Rich Esq.

Developed a protocol to help attorneys nationwide in the Appleseed Network to address and target their concerns with immigration.

Analyzed and observed master calendar immigration court proceedings at the Chicago immigration court.

Created a set of recommendations and objectives for Appleseed to address concerns seen in immigration court proceedings.

Summer 2014

Legal Aid, Durban, South Africa

Global Public Interest Law Fellow

Advisors: Professor Karen Tokarz and TP Pillay Esq.

Researched and addressed client concerns and issues. Collaborated with attorneys and magistrates in the process of resolving cases and legal problems.

Co-led a project in the Magistrate Program and developed a plan to represent women in "common-law" marriage cases. Observed court proceedings in juvenile, community, and family court. Volunteered at family court and worked with attorneys and magistrates to spread awareness and better education the population on issues of domestic violence. Participated in client in-take interviews.

2009 & Summer 2010

Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson, LLP, San Antonio, TX

Legal Intern & Scan Clerk

Collaborated with attorneys on projects, analyzed research, compiled documentation, and consulted with clients.

OTHER EMPLOYMENT

January 2020-June 2020

Academic Tutoring Center, Park Ridge, IL

SAT Tutor & Academic Consultant

Managed SAT test preparation for a class room of 20-25 students

Directly structured and tailored test preparation instruction to fit student needs

Oversaw practice examinations for high school students

Clarified student understanding of the test prep process and refocused their efforts on how to successfully approach the SAT

June 2015-March 2020 **Office of Residential and Academic Initiatives (ORAI)**, Evanston, IL
Graduate Assistant
Organized and structured events for students at Northwestern University.
Collaborated with Faculty in Residence, Residential Staff, and student groups to
create a cohesive and inviting environment for undergraduate students living in the
Allison residential community.

August 2014-June 2015 **Residential Services**, Evanston, IL
Assistant Residence Director
Managed and advised three student hall government organizations at Northwestern
University. Organized and coordinated student events; created workshops and
teambuilding exercises. Collaborated with Residential staff to build community
and plan events. Oversaw a team of 14 Residential Advisors in collaboration with
Residence Director. Served as a member of Professional Staff.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

November 2018 **American Public Health Association**, *Presenter*, San Diego, CA
Development of a Message Design Logic Coding System for Medical Error,
American Public Health Association 2018 Annual Meeting and Expo, November,
10-14, 2018

April 2015 **Northwestern University**, *Presenter*, Evanston, IL
Disclosure of Medical Error: What is it that doctors say? And what should patients
be told?, 18th *Black Graduate Student Association Annual Conference*, April 25,
2015

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Fall 2014-Present National Communication Association

Fall 2018-Present American Public Health Association

LANGUAGES

Spanish: Working proficiency. French & Creole: Limited working proficiency.

(Revised: September 2020)