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Education

Dartmouth College
B.A. in History mod. with African American Studies
GPA: 3.14/4.00; Major GPA: 3.50/4.00

Hanover, NH
Graduated June 2006

Mentoring & Leadership

The Big Green Bus
Logistics Chair/Website Manager

Hanover, NH
November 2005 – Present

- Traveling the country on a school bus converted to run on waste-vegetable oil, promoting dialogue about alternative fuels and sustainable energy practices at environmental fairs, music festivals, summer camps, alumni functions, and other various events
- Training with Dartmouth College's public affairs office and Plesser/Holland Associates on presentation and public relations strategies
- Conducting interviews for and appearing on radio, television, and in print media to discuss our project and alternative fuels
- Organizing press conferences in conjunction with government offices and private companies
- Designed and currently managing our website (www.thebiggreenbus.org)
- Contacting and coordinating tour stops, including settling dates, times, costs, and other logistical details
- Negotiating partnerships with potential corporate and private sponsors

Education 20: Contemporary Education Issues
Teacher's Assistant

Hanover, NH
Fall 2005

- Facilitated a weekly discussion about class topics within a small group
- Participated in weekly meeting of TAs with professor to direct/tailor remainder of the course
- Edited, graded, and reviewed multiple drafts of papers with students
- Engaged in one-on-one hour-long discussions about course material to assess compliance with assigned readings

Dartmouth Outing Club

Hanover NH
Fall 2003 - Fall 2005

- Worked over a 20-day period as Lodge Crew member to support Dartmouth Outing Club Freshman Trips, a program involving over 1000 first year students and over 100 different outdoor trips: led discussion groups, coordinated meals, maintained facilities daily, and assisted in wilderness evacuations
- Led 6 first year students on a three day hiking trip serving as wilderness guide, mentor, and friend, and welcoming them to Dartmouth by fostering a sense of community and facilitating a smooth transition to the college environment
- Selected 160 trip leaders from an applicant pool of 440
- Planned and ran 6 seminars in Risk Assessment and Group Dynamics covering topics including 'leave no trace', first aid, and leadership exercises
- Led two weeks of overnight leader training trips covering first aid, evacuation procedures, 'leave no trace', cooking, team building, and tarp-setup

DREAM (Directing through Recreation, Education, Adventure, and Mentoring)

Hanover, NH
Winter 2003 – Spring 2006

Mentor and Two-Term Co-Chair

- Cultivated casual, friendly, and safe environment for spending time with 11 year old permanent partner of 4 years
- Publicized organization events to campus
- Coordinated driving responsibilities
- Interfaced with parents and Vermont State Housing representatives
- Oversaw campus-wide fund-raising efforts including t-shirt sales and a barbecue to raise money for a day-trip to Boston
- Recruited other students as mentors

Communications

Generic Good Morning Message
Writer/Editor

Hanover, NH
Fall 2005 – Spring 2006

- Dispatched a daily email to a campus-wide readership
- Compiled news events, sports scores, weather, and a daily crossword
- Composed a short piece of creative writing and responding to mailbag submissions

Alpha Delta Fraternity
Vice President, House Manager

Hanover, NH
Winter 2004 – Spring 2006

- Responsible for maintenance of facility, including organization of clean-up, working with repairmen, purchasing cleaning supplies, and communicating with the college administration
- Organized, recruited members for community service, including blood drives and fund-raising

Awards

Won Pamela Joyner '79 Prize for African American Studies for paper titled "Signifying on Marx: The Application of Marxist Ideals to the Modern African American Literary Tradition".