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Working Experience

- Aug 2023 — **Graduate Research Assistant**, The University of Georgia.
Principal Investigator: Dr. Andrew P. Owsiak.
Assisting data collection for research projects in conflict resolution/peace studies
- Jan - Jul, 2023 **IELTS/SAT Instructor**, Global Study Center, Astana.
Developed and implemented a new curriculum for high school students to prepare for SAT
Managed 3-4 small classes consisting of up to 10 students
Prepared, administered and graded assignments
Planned activities to enhance students' grasp of academic writing
- Jan - May, 2023 **Intern Writing Center Tutor**, Nazarbayev University.
Worked along with the other faculty members for 4 hours a week
Tutored undergraduate/graduate students in different stages of their writing process
Participated in Writing Center staff workshops and seminars on Academic English Writing/ Teaching strategies
- Mar - May, 2022 **Intern in International Relations Department**, Astana Hub - Digital Technopark.
Provided logistical support in an official visit of representatives of Astana Hub with ministers of RK to Turkey
- Jan, 2019 - May, 2022 **English Tutor**, SkyEng - an Online Learning Platform.
Prepared over 100 students for IELTS, TOEFL and the Unified State Exams in Russia and Germany
- Nov - Dec, 2021 **Law Intern**, Astana International Financial Center (AIFC) Court.
Participated in the "International Investment Arbitration" seminar
Prepared 7 case briefs
Wrote around 10 reports on the judicial processes
- Jun - Aug, 2021 **HR Intern**, KAZNEX INVEST - National Export and Investment Agency.
Went through 10 recruiting processes and interviewed 10 potential candidates
Assisted in preparation of an annual report on employee attrition
Helped to organize a team building event improving employee relations in the company with nearly 300 employees

Education




- 2023 —  **Ph.D., The University of Georgia** Political Science and International Affairs.
Majoring in International Affairs
- 2018 – 2023  **B.A., Nazarbayev University** in Political Science and International Relations.
Astana – Kazakhstan
Minor in Economics
GPA: 3.6 (90th percentile)

Skills

- Languages  Strong reading, writing and speaking competencies for English, Russian, Kazakh.
Intermediate Korean.
- Coding  Python, R.
- Web Dev  HTML, CSS, JavaScript.
- Misc.  Academic research, teaching, management, communication.

Miscellaneous Experience

Awards and Achievements

- 2023  **Dean's List for Outstanding Academic Performance**, Nazarbayev University.
- 2022  **Dean's List for Outstanding Academic Performance**, Nazarbayev University.
- 2018  **Nazarbayev University Grant**, National Scholarship worth 92,000 U.S. Dollars.

Certification

- 2022  **Social/Behavioral Research**. Awarded by CITI Program.