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EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, LOS ANGELES

Ph.D. candidate in Social Welfare

Los Angeles, CA

Expected 2025

UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

M.A. in Social Service Administration

Chicago, IL

2017

PITZER COLLEGE

B.A. with major in Sociology and minor in English/Literature

Claremont, CA

2012

Honors thesis: "Bridging Identities: A Re(telling) of the Three Black City Councilmen's Narratives during the 1968 Memphis Sanitation Workers Strike"

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

YWCA Nashville & Middle Tennessee

Senior Manager of Social Justice & Advocacy

Nashville, TN

July 2017 – August 2021

- Developed, organized and managed the operations of the Social Justice & Advocacy department
- Designed and updated the organization's client-centered advocacy agenda
- Managed the advocacy committee of staff and volunteer community leaders
- Forged and maintained relationships with community partners and elected officials
- Built statewide coalition around addressing interpersonal violence in Tennessee
- Organized successfully to get the Tennessee State Legislature to pass two pieces of legislation: HB 120 / SB 216, which requires all licensed cosmetologists and barbers in the state of Tennessee to obtain up to one hour of domestic violence awareness training; and HB 732 / SB 1033, which allows victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking to terminate their lease early without any penalties
- Wrote advocacy letters to elected and appointed state officials
- Participated in a court monitoring project on the implementation of Tennessee's Order of Protection and firearm dispossession policies
- Designed and organized community education programs on issues of racism, intersectionality, equity, and justice
- Designed, coordinated, and co-facilitated youth advocacy trainings and workshops
- Co-founded Learning Liberation Collective (LLC), an intra-agency collective that designs and facilitates curriculum on dismantling oppression as service providers
- Represented YWCA in citywide committees and statewide coalitions focused on student voice & engagement, houselessness, and Medicaid expansion
- Engaged leadership staff on anti-racist organizational development and provided opportunities for racial justice education for staff and board
- Supervised graduate social work interns

Grassroots Collaborative

Social Work Graduate Intern

Chicago, IL

October 2016 - May 2017

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- Conducted oral history interviews of community members concerning access to health care and education
- Assisted in designing and facilitating a popular education workshop for union workers, teachers, and community leaders
- Edited videos for local campaign supporting neighborhood public schools

School of Social Service Administration at University of Chicago
Graduate Research Assistant for Professor Charles M. Payne

Chicago, IL
Summer 2016

Youth Guidance, Working on Womanhood (W.O.W.)
Social Work Graduate Intern

Chicago, IL
Oct. 2015 – June 2016

- Facilitated program curriculum for group and individual therapeutic sessions for high school girls around socio-emotional development and academic success
- Conducted trauma-informed screenings for high school girls
- Tracked and assessed individual and group progress

The Leadership Conference on Civil and Human Rights
Voting Rights Fellow / Field Assistant on Education and Voting Rights

Washington, DC
Jan. 2014 – Dec. 2014

- Mobilized targeted communities across the country to engage in voting rights and education equity campaigns
- Planned and coordinated events and coalition briefings for national spokespeople and grassroots organizers
- Drafted messaging and talking points for voting rights campaign

Organizing for America Virginia
Field Organizer

Charles City, VA
June 2012 – November 2012

- Established and managed the Obama Presidential Campaign Field Office in Charles City County for a two-county jurisdiction
- Recruited, mobilized, trained and supervised four neighborhood-based teams of 100+ racially diverse neighborhood team leaders & members in rural and suburban areas for door-to-door canvassing and telephone banking
- Collected, compiled and reported metrics on campaign operations to State Headquarters
- Canvassed and phone banked in 20+ neighborhoods in multi-county areas

Split This Rock
Intern

Washington, DC
Feb. 2015 – Aug. 2015

- Coordinated and set up community poetry events
- Developed and maintained relationships with schools, institutions of higher education, religious organizations, individuals and groups that focus on literary arts, theatre, activism, and youth
- Interviewed poets on their artistic activism

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American Center for Outreach *Civic Engagement Fellow*

Nashville, TN
Feb. 2013 – Aug. 2013

- Planned and facilitated multi-generational advocacy events for the Muslim community in Tennessee
- Tracked state legislation that affects the Muslim community in Tennessee

CommunityNashville *Advisor and Counselor for Camp Anytown*

Nashville, TN
Aug. 2004 – Aug. 2008, June 2013

- Facilitated large and small group exercises and discussions centered on identity, group relations, privilege, prejudice and oppression with a diverse group of 75-100 young people
- Co-developed program curriculum for public and private schools and for Camp Anytown

Camp Afflebaugh-Paige *Volunteer*

La Verne, CA
Jan. 2009 – May 2009, Sept. 2011 – Dec. 2011

- Conducted poetry workshops (15-25 participants per workshop) at a juvenile detention center for youth 13-18 years old

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

CoC Homelessness Planning Council's Equity and Diversity Committee, Nashville, TN
Committee Member, January 2020 – August 2021

Alignment Nashville's Student Voice and Engagement A-Team, Nashville, TN
Committee Member, April 2020 – August 2021

Learning Liberation Collective, Nashville, TN
Co-founder; Member-Facilitator, March 2019 – August 2021

Southerners on New Ground, Nashville, TN
Member, July 2018 – present

Nashville Jews for Justice, Nashville, TN
Co-founder; Member-Leader, July 2019 - present

WORKSHOPS & TRAININGS DESIGNED AND FACILITATED

Ok Boomer, Watch Me Vote: An Interactive, Nonpartisan Discussion, hosted by Congregation Ohabai Shalom and American Muslim Advisory Council, Nashville, TN, September 2020

Equity and Leadership: Building a Future free from Oppression, hosted by Learning Liberation Collective (LLC), Nashville, TN, 2020

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21 Day Racial Equity and Social Justice Challenge Debrief Training, hosted by YWCA Nashville & Middle Tennessee, 2020

Racial Justice 101, hosted by YWCA Nashville & Middle Tennessee, 2020

Your Story Matters! Youth Advocacy Training, hosted by YWCA Nashville & Middle Tennessee, January 2020

Building an Anti-Racist Jewish Voice for Peace Movement, Jewish Voice for Peace's Southern Leadership Development Institute at Highlander Research and Education Center, New Market, TN, May 2019

Building Bridges Internal Education Workshop Series, hosted by YWCA Nashville & Middle Tennessee Staff, 2017-2019

Build Your Power! Youth Advocacy Summit, hosted by YWCA Nashville & Middle Tennessee, December 2018

Building an Anti-Racist Movement as Jews, hosted by Congregation Ohabai Shalom, Nashville, TN, April 2017

WORKSHOPS & TRAININGS ATTENDED

Transformative Justice Training Series with Mia Mingus, hosted by Healthy and Free Tennessee, virtual via Zoom, July 2020 – September 2020; July 2021 – September 2021

Foundations for System Leadership and Awareness-Based Systems Change, hosted by Academy for Systems Change, virtual via Zoom, December 2020

Jewish Voice for Peace Southern Leadership Development Institute, hosted by Jewish Voice for Peace, New Market, TN, May 2019

Train-the-Trainer 3-Day Seminar, National Coalition Building Institute (NCBI), March 2019

Transformative Justice & Community Accountability: Intimate Partner Violence and Sexual Violence, Dr. Mimi Kim, hosted by Columbia University's School of Social Work, New York, December 2017

Understanding Adulthood, Hosted by Chicago Freedom School, Chicago, 2015