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Professional Experience:

- Donald J. Trump for President Iowa Third District Director (July -November 2016)
 - Helped deliver a historic win for Donald Trump in Iowa – winning by nine and a half points in a state that Barack Obama won twice
 - State-event lead on multiple visits for Governor Mike Pence and other Donald Trump surrogates across the state
 - Recruited over 250 Trump County Leaders in each county in Iowa's third district.
 - Attended Republican meetings throughout my district to organize and train activists to make phone calls and canvass neighborhoods.
- LS2group Account Associate (January 2015 – June 2016)
 - Led multiple public affairs and public relations projects concurrently and within strict deadlines in different professional and political areas
 - Public affairs clients focused on agriculture, energy, and international relations
 - Prepared and maintained client and team reports
 - Prepared a variety of client materials including press releases, outgoing reports, and market research reports
 - Reviewed team reports to ensure content and grammatical correctness
 - In 2015 and 2016, LS2group was named the #1 Public Relations Firm in Des Moines by the Des Moines Business Record

Education:

- Simpson College December of 2014 Bachelor of Arts Degree in English and Political Science.

College Experience:

- LS2group Public Affairs/ Public Relations Intern (28 hours/week, August 2014 - December 2014)
 - Collaborated with account teams to work with clients in public affairs and public relations.
- Student Body President of Simpson College
 - Head Manager of Student Government Association (SGA)
 - Allocated student activities budget of over \$300,000
 - Weekly meetings with school administration and other student leaders.
 - Played a large role in several projects while providing input to administration on students' wants and needs.

- Simpson College Football Player
 - Three-year letter winner.
 - Member of the team's leadership counsel
 - Earned membership to the 2015 National Football Foundation Hampshire Honor Society by the National Football & College Hall of Fame

- Simpson College Admissions Senior Ambassador
 - Ran Simpson College ambassador meetings
 - Directed ambassador projects, involved in hiring and discipline process

Volunteer Experience

- Mentor Iowa
- Special Olympics Iowa
- Greater Des Moines Habitat for Humanity
- Multiple missions trips to New Orleans after Hurricane Katrina and to Alabama after tornadoes to rebuild their communities.
- Republican Party of Polk County, organized events and worked on fundraising and event mailings.