

Curriculum Vitae

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Education, Work, Certifications

Montclair State University School of Communications Student, Class of 2018
Environmental Justice Leader, Certified by the New Jersey Environmental Justice Alliance 2016
Bergen Community College (BCC) Student, Class 2016
BCC Torch Newspaper, Features Editor 2014-2016
Freelance Photographer 2014-present
Newark Tree Keeper, Certified 2014
Fair Lawn High School, Class of 2013
New Jersey Learns Program of the Cloud Institute for Sustainability, Sustainable Jersey & Geraldine R Dodge Fdn, Fellow 2011 Cohort
Historic Weapons Demonstrations: Black Powder Safety, Certified 2011
New York City bike share initiative, Researcher for program administration applicant 2011
The Wei, Youth Outreach Coordinator 2005-present
Rain Barrel Making Trainer, Rutgers Certified 2010

Community Service Highlights

BCC Latin American Student Association Publicist 2014-15
Hispanic Student Leadership Development Program with cooperation of USHLI & BCC, Co-organizer 2013-2014
New Jersey State NAACP Youth and College Division, Treasurer 2013-15 Term
Bergen Community College NAACP, President 2014-16
Thanksgiving community service – collection and distribution of goods and meals for underserved & homeless individuals 2002-2016
Hackensack River Keeper Cleanup Volunteer
Get Out The Vote Caller and Canvasser in Bergen and Passaic Counties, 2005-15
Bergen County Democratic Convention Volunteer 2008 & 2012
Free Deferred Application (DACA) clinic for immigrant youth, Co-organizer 2012
Fair Lawn Green Fairs, Rain Barrel Tabler 2010-15
City Serve Summer Program of the Episcopal Church for emerging teens, St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Paterson NJ, Participant 2008

Culture & Living History Engagement

6th United States Colored Troop (Civil War) Corporal and 1st Rhode Island (Revolutionary War) Private: Historic Reenactor 2011-present
National Youth Bike Summit Inaugural Participant, NYC 2011-14
Bo Hua Chinese Language and Culture School Student 2003-2012
Bergen Chinese School Lion Dance (semi-professional performing troupe) Member 2006-2014

Scholarships and Honors

Hildegard and Sidney Schonfeld Jewish Community College Scholarship Fund recipient 2016
Gourmet Dining scholarship recipient 2014
Marched in President Obama's Inaugural Parade as United States Colored Troop Civil War Re-enactor, January 2012
Conference scholarships: National Conference on Media Reform 2011, Fair Trade Youth & College Conf 2011, Fair Trade Futures Conf 2010
White House/Latinos in Science and Technology Conference Participant 2010
Performed with Bergen Chinese School Lion Dance Troupe for President Obama and Governor Corzine, November 2009
4-H Speech Contest winner NJ State 2008 & Bergen County 2007

Affiliations

Organizing for Action Environment Co-Lead 2015-present
Freecycle (freecycle.org) participant family
Kokokidz youth peer leadership group Cofounder 2009-present
People's Organization for Progress (POP) Member 2007-present
Fair Lawn Green Team Member 2011-present
Environmental Justice Green Drinks (a sustainability organization) Assistant Organizer 2010-present
Fair Lawn High School: Eco Club Member 2009-13, Future Business Leaders of America Chapter Member 2012-13
Bergen/Passaic Counties 4-H 2007-9 and Passaic County 4-H 4-Reel Summer Program Teen Leader 2008
Latino American Democratic Association Youth Member 2006-2010