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EDUCATION

- Bachelor of Science, University of Delaware, Newark, DE** Anticipated: May 2008
- Major: Hotel, Restaurant, and Institutional Management
 - Minor: Business Administration
 - Major GPA: 4.0/4.0; Cumulative GPA: 3.990/4.0 ; Dean's List (every semester)
- Study Abroad Program to Switzerland and Italy** Summer 2005

RELATED EXPERIENCE

- JP Morgan Chase, Corporate Real Estate and General Services, Newark, DE** May 2007-August 2007
Operations and Management Services Training Internship Program
- Determine corporate real estate needs in order to support JP Morgan Chase's Lines of Business
 - Create request for proposals (RFPs), meet with vendors, evaluate vendor bids, and manage project implementation
 - Assist in creating and analyzing budgets and variance reports
- Borgata Hotel, Casino & Spa, Atlantic City, NJ** Summer 2006
Hospitality Intern
- Rotated through multiple hospitality departments; worked as an assistant manager in select departments;
 - Acquired leadership and managerial skills
- Ocean Place Resort & Spa, Long Branch, NJ** Summer 2005
Township of Ocean Department of Human Services, Ocean, NJ Summers 2000 - 2004

ACADEMIC PRACTICUM EXPERIENCE

- Lodging Module, Courtyard Newark at the University of Delaware** Fall 2006
- Conducted a semester long market analysis and feasibility study on the prospect of opening a lodging property
 - Rotated through all departments of the hotel
- Food & Beverage Practicum, Vita Nova Restaurant at the University of Delaware** Fall 2005 and 2007
- Rotated through each position in the front and back of the house
 - Learned proper food safety and handling procedures and proper food and beverage service techniques

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

University of Delaware Department of Hotel, Restaurant, and Institutional Management, Newark, DE
Americas Lodging Investment Summit (ALIS), Los Angeles, CA
Hospitality Sales and Marketing Association International's (HSMIAI), New York, NY
Habitat for Humanity and Community Collaborations International, Violet, LA

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Hotel and Lodging Association (AHLA)
Hospitality and Financial Technology Professionals (HFTP)
Hospitality Sales and Marketing Association International (HSMIAI)
Professional Convention Management Association (PCMA): *Secretary*
International Association of Conference Centers International (IACC)

ACTIVITIES

Hotel, Restaurant, and Institutional Management Public Relations Team
Vita Nova's Bakers Dozen (baking club): *Secretary*
College of Human Services Education and Public Policy Council and Curriculum Committee: *Faculty Elected Student Representative*
Boy Scouts of America

HONORS AND AWARDS

American Hotel and Lodging Association's: Arthur J. Packard Memorial Scholarship
Professional Convention Management Association: Roy B. Evans Scholarship
Delaware Hotel and Lodging Association Scholarship
Hospitality Sales and Marketing Association International Scholarship
Banfi Vintner's Scholarship
Induction into Eta Sigma Delta Hospitality Honors Fraternity
Rank of Eagle Scout with four Eagle Palms
Gold Congressional Award