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#### **EDUCATION**

#### Lebanese American University, Beirut, Lebanon

August 28 2021 – Present

MA in International Affairs, CGPA 3.89

Lebanese American University, Byblos, Lebanon

August 2018 - May 2021

BA in Political Science and International Affairs, CGPA: 3.77/4.0

Honor's Program, graduated with Distinction

## **Adventist Secondary School, Bouchrieh**

**September 2008 – 22 June 2018** 

Lebanese Baccalaureate in Life Science

## American Evangelical Central High School, Achrafieh

**September 2003 – June 2007** 

Nursery School and Primary School

#### **WORK EXPERIENCE**

## Caroline for Shoes and Bags, Beirut, Lebanon

January 1, 2020 – January 28, 2022

Sales Manager

- Provided first-class customer care using unique communication skills.
- Monitored company finances and reviewed budgets to maintain spending targets.
- Developed strategies to effectively manage difficulties faced due to the economic crisis.
- Observed market activities to maintain trend and achieved financial and performance goals.
- Maintained a positive and professional working environment for optimal customer satisfaction.
- Ensured proper supply of products to the shop to create best seller items.

#### Lebanese American University, Byblos, Lebanon

September 2019 – April 2020

Financial Aid Assistant – Administrative Work

- Data Collection
- Ensured the right allocation of the collected information
- Filing documents in appropriate places on time
- Placing documents in online document-management programs
- Researching information online in office filing systems to help the professor have the information necessary to start and finish projects
- Finding solutions to adequately file the documents in a fast and effective manner

## **INTERNSHIPS**

#### Konrad Adenauer Stiftung, Beirut, Lebanon

April – July 2022

Research Assistant

- Data collection for several projects and proposals, as well as initiating and drafting them
- Writing several reports for the KAS projects, such as the 'Strengthening Parliamentary Oversight to Enhance Accountability and Transparency', available on

https://www.kas.de/en/web/rspno/veranstaltungsberichte/detail/-/content/strengthening-parliamentary-oversight-to-enhance-accountability-and-transparency

- Comparative insight into the different legal system of the MENA region
- Further research of topics required for the internal use and team meetings
- Communication with the partners regarding the projects
- Attend the weekly and project meetings

## International Center for Human Science (CISH)-UNESCO, Beirut, Lebanon June-August 2020

- Aided individuals with understanding the elements of writing a well-structured research paper.
- Maintained a positive working environment by ensuring clear communication between teams.
- Bridged employees and interns to ensure information and complaints are clearly communicated.
- Managed activities and workshops to provide an organized environment for guests and speakers.

## Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Beirut, Lebanon

**July-August 2019** 

- Learned the different procedures applied by the department employees.
- Organized expatriate files and read required papers needed to apply for a Lebanese citizenship.
- Assisted employees in organizing papers to check for any missing documents.

#### **VOLUNTEER WORK**

## Dafa Campaign, Beirut, Lebanon

**July 2021- December 2021** 

• Packaged and distributed food boxes/ donations and conducted data collection and analysis.

## Red Cross Youth Section, Beirut, Lebanon

2016-2018

- Organized diverse projects and activities to entertain children and collect funds for the needy.
- Attended workshops to learn the guidelines to effectively run activities in a safe environment.
- Utilized conflict and resolution skills to maintain management, commitment, and proper communication when issues arise.

#### **EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

#### Lebanese American University, Beirut, Lebanon

- Undergraduate Research and Discovery Program (URaD), Researcher, 2020
- International Affairs Club, member, 2019-2021
- Animals Rights Club, Member, 2020

## **Adventist Secondary School, Bouchrieh**

• Attended activities, workshops, and participated in school debates.

#### PROGRAMS & WORKSHOPS ATTENDED

# Attending an e-course training on Labour Migration at ITCILO eCampus, October 2021 – December 2021

• A fair and effective governance of Labour Migration: The ILO Approach

- Developing and Implementing a Labour Migration Policy
- Reducing Labour Migration Costs and Instituting Fair Recruitment Processes
- An International Human Rights Framework for Migration in a Globalising World
- International Labour Standards
- Measuring and Analysing Migration
- Mainstreaming migration into national development planning
- Communicating on Migration
- Access to Labor Markets and Decent Work to Refugees
- Bilateral Labour Agreements
- Global and Regional Labour Migration Trends and Driving Forces, including South-South Movements: What Impact on Labour Markets?
- Linkages Between Employment Policy and National Migration Agenda
- Extending Social Protection to Migrants and Their Families
- Addressing Irregular Migration and Protecting Migrant Workers in Vulnerable Situations
- The impacts of COVID-19 on migrant and refugee workers
- Labor Mobility and Climate Changes
- Migration and Youth Development
- Fostering Re-integration of Returning Migrant Workers

#### Student Leadership Program, June 2021- March 2022

- Leadership for the Collective Good: Crisis, Conflict, Connection and Change
- Leadership & Professional Development: Introductions & Team Building
- Analyzing the Community Context and Identifying Opportunities
- Political Dynamics in the Middle East and North Africa: 10 Years of Uprisings
- Bridging Differences in Communication Style
- Developing and Evaluating Your Strategy for Change
- The United States Today: The Political System and Society
- Leadership & Professional Development: Networking & Relationship Building
- Resource Development and Contingency Planning
- Democratic Fragility and Resilience: Learning to Thrive in Times of Upheaval
- Leadership & Professional Development: Effective Visuals & Presentations
- Universal Human Rights: Conflict and Empowerment

#### **SKILLS & LANGUAGES**

**Computer skills:** Microsoft Office and Google Drive. **Languages:** Fluent in English, Arabic, and Armenian.