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EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH FLORIDA, BA, INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES
JACKSONVILLE, FL

MAJOR: COASTAL BIOLOGY MINOR: APPLIED ETHICS

Honors and Awards: UNF Presidential Scholarship, UNF Presidential Envoy Student Service Association

SKILLS AND CERTIFICATIONS

ZeroWasteUSA Certification 2020

Florida Master Naturalist Program

Coastal Shoreline Restoration Special Topics Course April 2019

S130/S190 Wildland Fire Training 2019

GIS Applications for Natural Resource Management

Florida SeaGrant Training 2017

National Network for Ocean and Climate Change Interpretation (NNOCCI) (NOAA)

Climate Interpreter Training Complete 2018

Emergency Medical First Responder (EMR) 2018

Adult, Child, & Infant First Aid/ CPR Valid 2018-2020

Skills

Programs: Adobe Suite, Microsoft Office, ArcMap/ GIS, Quickbooks

Public speaking; Leadership; Environmental program planning, development, and implementation; Outreach and education; Natural resource management and ecology in a variety of Florida ecosystems; Supervision and leadership of small and large groups; Collaborative communication;

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF BIOLOGY, COASTAL AND MARINE SCIENCE PROGRAM

Completed Summer 2017

Smooth Cord Grass (*Spartina alterniflora*) health and nutrient uptake in retention pond water mesocosms: growing plants to assess viability in Floating Wetland Mats to reduce pond nutrient loading and enhance coastal shoreline restoration.

Grants Recipient: 2017 UNF Environmental SEED Grant; 2017 UNF Office of Undergraduate Research Grant

Presentations: Poster: UNF SOARS 2017; Oral Presentation: Florida Lake Management Society 2017 Meeting

Awards: Florida Lake Management Society 2017 First Place Student Presenter Award

DIRECTED INDEPENDENT STUDY PROJECTS

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH FLORIDA

- I. American Eel (*Anguilla rostrata*) sampling and monitoring of migration patterns through the Guana River. 2016
- II. Water quality and primary production contribution analysis of the Guana lake into the estuary at the Guana Tolomato Matanzas National Research Reserve. 2016
- III. Of mice and morality: Ethical considerations and research methodology regarding the use of nonhuman animals and plants in ecological research studies. 2017

**PROFESSIONAL
EXPERIENCE**

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CURRENT PROBLEMS

July 2019- Current

Responsibilities include: Managing and leading program operations and fund development, Program development, Planning and establishing cleanup events, Organizing and managing board meetings and litter cleanups, Giving presentations to existing funders and potential funders, establishing and coordinating partnerships with other organizations/ entities

BOARD OF DIRECTORS, MEMBER AT LARGE LEAGUE OF ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATORS OF FLORIDA

Fall 2019- Current

COACH GAINESVILLE SOCCER ALLIANCE

Spring 2019- Current

Responsibilities include: Development of soccer curriculum, team and program administration, supervision and training of groups of 30+ and individual kids age 4-17. Girls soccer programming development and enrichment.

COMMUNICATIONS TASK FORCE MEMBER/ E-BLAST CO-EDITOR

COASTAL & ESTUARINE RESEARCH FEDERATION

Fall 2018- 2019

Responsibilities include: Coordinating with rest of Task Force to create SOPs for the curation, production, and dispersal of information relevant to CERF members; participating in curation and production of content; editing and publishing e-blast

ENVIRONMENTAL MENTOR INTERN GRADES OF GREEN

Fall 2018- Spring 2019

Responsibilities include: Support for Grades of Green Campaign Teams of students at several schools around the nation designing solutions for area- specific environmental problems through resources, webinars, weekly check-ins, and virtual communications.

LAND MANAGEMENT INTERN/ PROJECT MANAGER/ TEMP STAFF ALACHUA CONSERVATION TRUST

Fall 2017- February 2019

Women in the Woods Internship: Leading peer interns, local flora, fauna, and habitat ID, typical land management tool and machine equipment use, maintenance, and repairs, land management techniques and strategies for North Florida including prescribed fire and invasive plant species treatment and removal, recreational trail planning, creation, and maintenance

Office Internship: Non profit office administration work, GIS for Wetland Mitigation, event planning

Project Coordination for the development of an app of all trails in Alachua County, and grant application production

Temp Staff: (Oct 2018- Feb 2019) GIS, InDesign, baseline documentation for conservation easements

MARINE SCIENCE INTERN SMITHSONIAN MARINE STATION, FT. PIERCE, FLORIDA

SUMMER 2016

Responsibilities include: Planning of lesson plans for groups of children ages 2-14, Teaching, Supervising groups of up to 30 children, Event planning, Exhibit design, Scheduling, Animal husbandry, Aquarium maintenance

VOLUNTEER FLORIDA STATE PARK SERVICE, FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

2016- Current

