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# experience

Photography + Imaging Representative - <u>Art Center College of Design</u> - 2020 - 2022

Leadership role representing and advocating for the Photography and Imaging Department in Student Government. I worked directly with the chair(s) of my department, the Provost, faculty, and other students at Art Center. Projects included:

- organizing and mediating town hall meetings with Students and alumni regarding diversity, curriculum, and Student wellbeing
- met with administration, drafted a successful petition to keep the department independent during a possible merger
- part of COVID-19 campus reopening task force, and advocated for students who's education was impacted by the pandemic
- assisted students with getting access to resources during the pandemic such as food, laptops, and educational resources
- Organized a weekly virtual social gathering during the pandemic to promote genuine connection between new and old students, faculty and staff in the department.
- assisted Photo + Imaging Department develop a long term research project about the future of the photography industry
- part of department chair search committee, helped advertise the position and interviewed potential candidates

## Orientation Leader - Art Center College of Design - 2019 - 2022

Helped educate and support incoming students to the college through a mixture of pre-prepared content that myself and other orientation leaders created, and live sessions with students. Other responsibilities included:

- Leading a small team of orientation leaders to create cohesive content for the orientation platform
- Filming and editing said content
- Preparing a curated body of work to show to incoming students, and give a talk about our experiences as a student at the college
- Made myself available to all incoming students as a permanent contact / resource for any help they may need during their time at Art Center
- Continually supported all the \$udents who I was orientation leader for even after their fir\$term

Director of Aquatics - <u>Tom Sawyer Camps</u> - 2018 - 2021 After School Camp Site Leader - - 2017 - 2021

Aquatics Counselor - 2008 - 2017

Led and managed a cohesive team of staff, organizing a swim program that taught swim lessons and water safety to 300-600 children a day. Worked every day to create a fun and safe environment for staff to learn how to work in a team, be a role model for children, and problem solving and communication skills. Responsibilities included:

- Developed swim lesson program, lifeguard training regiments
- Scheduling and delivering staff evaluations, writing recommendations
- Hiring, firing and training staff
- Taught American Red Cross Lifeguard and Water Safety instructor courses and certified lifeguards.

# Photography Lab Assistant - Art Center College of Design -2019 - Present

Worked in photography labs (black and white film processing / darkroom, color film processing / darkroom, and digital lab) assisting lab staff and students with projects, maintaining equipment, and general upkeep of facilities.

## Teaching Assistant - Art Center College of Design — 2019 - Present

Assisted professors teaching college level photography courses in large format film photography, and core lighting techniques. Mentored and tutored students in and out of the classroom, and helped professors create curriculum and engage in critique. Made myself available for online tutoring sessions during the pandemic to help students who were struggling with classes.

# Artists Mentor (Volunteer) - Venice Arts – 2021 - 2022

Mentoring and teaching children aging from 8-18 years old, cultivating creativity in photography with a nonprofit program for underprivileged youth. Guided each student from conceptualizing to executing a personal photography project, and taught fundamental photography skills.

### education

Art Center College of Design - BFA — Photography and Imaging, Graduating Summer 2022 Pasadena City College - Associates Arts Degree - 2016

### skills

Leadership, problem solving, teaching, management, project planning, conflict resolution, child discipline and development, emergency action planning, mediating conversations, critiquing art, excellent communication, planning and hosting events, giving presentations, public speaking, team oriented, takes initiative, solution seeker.

### honors and awards

Nominated for Student Leadership Award - Art Center College of Design - 2022

JR Gaulding Memorial Endowed Scholarship - 2022

Michael and Jules Bates Memorial Scholarship - 2021

Provosts List - Art Center College of Design - 2022

Analogue Wonderland / Kodak Alaris - Low Light Magic Competition - Honorable Mention - 2018