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EDUCATION

Temple University, School of Arts and Sciences, Philadelphia, PA
Ph.D. in Sociology, degree anticipated May 2029

University of Pennsylvania, Fels Institute of Government, Philadelphia, PA
Master of Public Administration, 2022

Relay Graduate School of Education, New York, NY
Master in the Art of Teaching, 2018

Boston College, Morrissey College of Arts and Sciences, Chestnut Hill, MA
Bachelor of Arts, International Studies, 2016
Minors in Ethics & Social Justice and Eastern European Studies

HIGHER EDUCATION TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of Pennsylvania, School of Arts and Sciences, Philadelphia, PA
The Public Policy Process, Teaching Assistant, Spring 2023
Introduction to American Politics, Teaching Assistant, Fall 2022
The Public Policy Process, Teaching Assistant, Spring 2022

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant, Philadelphia, PA, May 2022-August 2022
Supported Judith Levine, Temple University Department of Sociology, with the literature review for her current project on post-graduation outcomes for first-generation and continuing-generation students.

Research Fellow, Washington, D.C, January 2022-August 2022
Worked with Education Trust on a qualitative research project analyzing best practices in district spending of COVID relief monies. Report published October 2022.

ImpactED Fellow, Philadelphia, PA, September 2021-August 2022
Worked with ImpactED, at the University of Pennsylvania, on a variety of qualitative studies and program evaluations. Notable work included evaluation of Opera Philadelphia's educational programs and work with The School District of Philadelphia's Innovation Network schools.

PUBLICATIONS

PROMISING PRACTICES: A School District Guide to Advocating for Equity in American Rescue Plan Spending

Co-authored with other Education Trust staff, published October 2022

<https://edtrust.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/09/Promising-Practices-A-School-District-Guide-to-Advocating-for-Equity-in-American-Rescue-Plan-Spending-October-2022.pdf>

HONORS/AWARDS

University Fellowship, Temple University, 2022-23

Melissa R. Caplan Fellowship, University of Pennsylvania, Fels Institute of Government, 2022

Order of the Cross and Crown, Boston College, 2016

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Valence College Prep, Queens, NY

Founding Dean of Academics, 2019-2021

Uncommon Schools, New York

5th Grade Team Leader, Excellence Girls Middle Academy, Brooklyn, NY, 2018-2019

5th Grade Reading Lead Lesson Planner, New York State, 2017-2019

5th Grade Reading Teacher, Excellence Girls Middle Academy, Brooklyn, NY, 2016-2019

Assistant Teacher, Excellence Girls Middle Academy, Brooklyn, NY, August 2016 – October 2016

SERVICE AND VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

Valence College Prep, Queens New York

Board Member, 2022-2023

Member of Academic Achievement Committee, 2022-2023

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Sociological Association

REFERENCES

Available upon request.