

Nathan Odendahl

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Objective

To apply the ambitions, skills and interests in international affairs, domestic legislation, and civic engagement I have developed throughout my undergraduate studies to an internship with the Department of State.

Education

B.A | 2015 (EXPECTED) | UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, SANTA BARBARA

- Major: Political Science with a concentration in International Relations
Major GPA: 3.4
- Minor: Professional Writing for Civic Engagement
- Related Coursework: Writing for Public Discourse, Writing for Global Careers, Legal Writing, Research Methods of Political Science, U.S. Congress, Modern Standard Arabic (6 Quarters), American Foreign Policy, Third World Politics, Intro to International Political Economy

Leadership and Legislative Experience

LEGISLATIVE INTERN | OFFICE OF CONGRESSMEMBER KAREN BASS | SUMMER 2014

- Helped maximize the efficiency of the office by providing the legislative team with research on domestic and international policies and events.
- Developed flexible communication skills by conducting outreach to concerned constituents, African Embassies, and other Congressional offices.

MEMBER | UC SANTA BARBARA MODEL ARAB LEAGUE | WINTER 2014, WINTER 2015

- Participated in weekly meetings to research, discuss, and offer solutions to current political, civil, and environmental issues in Syria, Iraq and other member states.

CHIEF JUSTICE | ALPHA TAU OMEGA FRATERNITY, IOTA NU CHAPTER | 2013-2014

- Appointed by executive board to oversee all Chapter votes and decisions to ensure they remain democratic and in accordance to the Chapter Bylaws
- Maintained the moral integrity of the Chapter by heading court-like proceedings and distributing sanctions to members who violate the Chapter Bylaws

VICE PRESEIDENT | SAN PEDRO PENINSULA YMCA YOUTH AND GOVERNMENT DELEGATION | 2011

- Served in an administrative role to the president through organization of weekly meetings that prepared 120 delegates to participate in an annual week-long Mock Legislature and Court.
- Managed campaigns for candidates who sought leadership in the statewide mock legislature and court via speech writing and editing, enacting marketing techniques, and corresponding with other delegations.

Additional Experience

COMMUNICATION

- Volunteered to educate my community on the marine environment of Southern California at the John H. Olguin Cabrillo Marine Research Aquarium from 2009-2011.
- Lead groups of 20 to 30 young students on tours in an interactive and engaging manner.
- Learned educational communication skills by translating research heavy information into understandable material for groups of children

LANGUAGE

- Conversational in Spanish and formal Arabic