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Objective

To obtain a position in a social science and business related field that would allow me to use my analytical, organizational, and personal relations skills as well as providing a platform for my academic enhancement.

Education

B.S., Psychology (date of graduation: June 2, 2011)

Georgia Gwinnett College (GGC), Lawrenceville, GA

- Concentrations: Developmental Psychology and Cognitive Neuroscience
- Total Institutional GPA: 3.56 on 4.0 scale

Skills

- Extensive computer training, including expert knowledge of Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Publisher, Outlook, and Adobe Macromedia Suite as well as client database software
- Proficient in statistical analyses using SPSS
- Strong verbal and written communication skills
- Skilled at project management, maintaining organized records, optimizing business efficiency

Career History & Accomplishments

Legal Assistant/Office Manager, Riley & Emert, P.C.

2009-Present

- Assist in the research and examination of Real Estate property, preparation of documents for Real Estate closings (i.e. refinances and purchases), management of the distribution of payoffs, payments, reimbursements, and general finances for each Real Estate closing, and the scheduling of clients and attorneys
- Modernized the filing system and decreased waste and paper usage

Graphic Design, KR Designs, Self-Employed

2007-2009

- Branded, designed, and managed business websites for local insurance, real estate, software, and media companies

Account Manager, Sorbent Technologies, Inc.

Internship: January 2007-May 2007

- Worked directly with VP to develop successful marketing media targeted at the Organic Chemical and Pharmaceutical market, implemented a new email marketing program and standardized electronic correspondence, and spearheaded a new prospect management system
- Coordinated American Chemical Society Trade Show attendances by arranging travel, accommodation, booth site and related items for company employees and myself
- Identified and designed a mechanism to eliminate the hazards of an old delivery system and minimized the waste of our product delivered for a specialized organic chemical used in pharmaceutical and chemical labs. The design was presented to a client base and received much support and enthusiasm and the company is now pursuing patent rights.

Main Office and Graduate Admissions Assistant, Chemistry Main Office, University of Georgia
2004-2006

- Assistant to the Head of the Chemistry Department
- Managed front office, e.g. answering phones and coordinating inventory
- Successfully assisted Chemistry Head of Department in faculty and graduate searches by organizing applications into viewable online data while playing liaison between applicants, Assistant Professors, Graduate Coordinators, and Department Head

The Southwestern Company, Nashville, TN

Internship: May 2005-August 2005

- Independent contractor in direct sales of education products
- Executed all ordering, inventory, sales, accounting, scheduling, presentation, and delivery of products
- Worked 82+ hours every week for 13 consecutive weeks
- Relocated to run personal business (Reading, PA)

Additional Activities & Memberships

GGC Research Club (Spring 2010-Present)

- Founder of GGC Research Club, www.ggcresearch.com
- Promote, protect, and advance the interests of scientifically oriented research, application, and the improvement of human welfare
- Provide the opportunity for members to learn and actively engage in interdisciplinary research through presentations, discussions, clinical research, and lab experience

Student Affiliate, American Psychological Society

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Psi Chi, Member

- GGC Chapter, Fall 2010-Spring 2011

Research Experience

Principal Investigator & Grant-Writing Experience (August 2010-Present)

- Wrote an internal GGC grant for student funding for research projects on a project that I designed, assisted by Dr. Stephan Desrochers. The topic addressed my research interests in Disorders of Sexual Differentiation (DSD), the presence of in-utero androgens and their effects on gender and sexuality, social construction of gender, and gender development. My specific hypothesis is that those with DSD, compared to those without this condition, will select a digitally morphed picture of their face that corresponds to their in-utero imprinted gender. Grant awarded on February 5, 2011.

Research Assistant (December 2009-Present)

- Work in Dr. Steven M. Platek's laboratory on projects related to evolutionary psychology and neuroscience. For example, we studied attractiveness and mate selection and facial characteristics associated with sexual predators. For these projects, I assisted with the entire research process, from reviewing the literature, designing the methodology driven by specific hypotheses, analyzing the data using SPSS, and writing up the results for publication with first and/or co-authorship.

Publications & Presentations

Krill, A. L., **Wyre, K. R.**, Wathne, K., Lake, T. M., McKibbin, W., Shackelford, T. K., & Platek, S. M. (2011) Detection of aggression and sexual aggression by facial characteristics. (Manuscript submitted for publication).

Wyre, K. R., Krill, A. W., Platek, S. M. (April 2011) Detection of sexual offenders by facial characteristics? Oral presentation, Annual NorthEastern Evolutionary Psychology Society (NEEPS), State University of New York at Binghamton, Vestal, NY.

Spicer*, K. R., & Platek, S. M. (2010). An old brain with new tricks. *Frontiers in Neuroscience*, 4. doi: 40 [pii]10.3389/fnins.2010.00040

Spicer*, K. R., & Platek, S. M. (2010). Curvaceous female bodies activate neural reward centers in men. *Communicative & Integrative Biology*, 3(3), 282-283.

*Please note previous surname “Spicer”

Community Service

- Work with Origin and Fight Back for Children to increase awareness about child sex trafficking in Atlanta
- Founded Jackson County Safety Hotline, a safety hotline for the Jackson County community to express concerns about drugs, alcohol, bullying, abuse, sexual assault, or terrorist threats. (706) 367-5003 ext. 7
- Project Safe Women’s Advocate—help to provide a safe place and support groups for women and children of abusive homes

Activities & Interests

- Passionate and talented in classical ballet and ballroom dancing