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EDUCATION:

Oklahoma Baptist University, Shawnee, OK

Bachelor of Arts

Expected date of graduation: May 2014

Major: Communication Studies

Minor areas of interest: Religion/Bible and Graphic Design

GPA: 3.9

Relevant Coursework: Family Communication, Organizational Communication, Public Speaking, Group Discussion and Leadership, Persuasion, Information Gathering and Research, Communication and Conflict, Persuasive Campaign, Media and Culture, Debate, Intercultural Communication

COURSEWORK HIGHLIGHTS:

Honors Thesis: *Where Communication Acts Intersect the Soul*, a continuation of previous research, In progress

Communication Research: *Where Communication Acts Intersect the Soul*, paper accepted and presented to the 2013 National Communication Association Conference, Washington D.C., Fall 2013

We stand and lift up our hands: A comparative analysis of nonverbal behaviors in worship contexts, paper accepted and presented to the 2013 Sooner Communications Conference, The University of Oklahoma, Norman, Spring 2013.

Persuasive Campaign Seminar Lecturer: Presented the lecture and facilitated the discussion, *Communication standards and ethics in campaigns*, for this senior-level topics course, Spring, 2013.

Persuasive Campaign Research: Gathered and analyzed data on the Shawnee/OBU community needs and interests. Collaborated with group members to educate OBU students on the benefits of living in Shawnee, Spring, 2013

Organizational Communication: Team Project with External Consultants—*Fearless Fitness*, a for-profit, fictional organization designed for low-income families, Spring 2012.

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Family Communication: Designed and conducted a workshop for collegiate peers, *Shaking up the system: Relational maintenance strategies after leaving home*, Fall 2011.

HONORS:

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- Secretary, Lambda Pi Eta, Oklahoma Baptist University, Theta Mu Chapter
- NCA Caucus Student Travel Grant, Fall 2013
- Harvest Court Queen Candidate, OBU, Fall 2013
- President's Scholar for Vision for Evangelism, Spring 2013
- President's List, Spring 2011-Spring 2013
- Dean's List, Fall 2010

EXPERIENCE:

A Love That Will Not Let Go, Conference Speaker: September 2013
Led discussion on nonverbal behaviors in Protestant worship contexts, Haskell, OK

Sweet Adelines International, Intern: 05/2013-08/2013

Served under the Communications Department. Completed an advertising plan for *Sweet Adelines* to advertise nationally.

Media Center, Employee: 08/2011 - Current

Maintain functionality and efficiency of the office. Design informative fliers, posters, and advertisements relevant to Media Center activities.

Spiritual Life Committee, Student Representative: 10/2012- Current

Collaborate with faculty and staff at OBU to develop initiatives that improve specific areas on campus.

Spring Affair, Emcee: April 2013

Planning, writing, acting, and promotion for this special event for OBU campus and Shawnee, OK community

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GO (Global Outreach) Week, Co-Chair: July 2012-October 2012

Planned a week of events for OBU students to inform the campus of global needs.

Vice-President and Co-Founder, Kappa Phi Beta: 01/2012-Current

Responsible for new member recruitment and communicating with members.

Oktaha Public Schools, Para Professional: June 2010-July 2010

Tutored a special needs student.

ACTIVITIES:

Global Outreach Trip, India: 06/2012 - 08/2012

Member, National Communication Association (NCA)

Athlete, JV Basketball, Track

Member, CAB (Campus Activities Board)

Member, Social Club Council

Volunteer, Welcome Week Worker, Freshmen Orientation

Volunteer, Spero Project

Emcee, *Spring Affair 2013*, OBU Variety Show

Emcee, *Freshmen Follies*, OBU Variety Show

Director, *Spring Affair 2014*, OBU Variety Show

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