

Kameron Dunbar

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SUMMARY

Tenacious undergraduate student experienced in multimedia storytelling; political communications; government and policy; and writing, rhetoric, and oratory instruction. Highly-skilled in intercultural competence with expansive international travel experience.

EDUCATION

Oberlin College

Bachelor of Arts in Politics, Peace and Conflict Studies Concentration
Minor: Rhetoric and Composition, Journalism focus; Africana Studies

Oberlin, OH
Exp. Graduation Date, May 2019

Semester at Sea

Global Comparative Study Abroad Program, *Diversity Abroad Scholar*

Fort Collins, CO
April 2017

- Completed a full semester course load while traveling via ship through Japan, China, Vietnam, Myanmar (Burma), India, South Africa, Ghana, Morocco, and Germany.
- Studied International Security, Globalization and Sustainability, and Interpersonal Communication Skills with practical application at the United States Pacific Command Center.
- One of four scholars selected and sponsored by the national Diversity Abroad organization.
- Led the on-ship Writer's Guild; spoke as a panelist and guest lecturer for various topics including political debate and presentation instruction; served as a student representative to the administrative team.

University of Detroit Jesuit High School and Academy

Diploma, *with Honors*

Detroit, MI
May 2015

Leadership Education and Development Program (LEAD)

Summer Business Institute | University of Pennsylvania

Philadelphia, PA
July 2014

- Worked with Foot, Cone & Belding (FCB, New York) on federally sponsored anti-smoking campaign.
- Learned topics of marketing, networking, and social (external agency sponsored) growth through PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC, Philadelphia).
- Participated in marketing and advertising project for Google (New York) Web Applications.

Leadership Education and Development Program (LEAD)

Global Participant | Morehouse College; University of Cape Town

Atlanta, GA; Cape Town, South Africa
August 2012

- Partnered with university faculty to study economic patterns throughout South Africa.
- Developed marketing campaign for solar sustainability in economically poor, urban areas. Visited low-income South African neighborhoods to examine the effect of urban sustainability and marketing.

EXPERIENCE

SKDKnickerbocker

Intern, Public Affairs Division

Washington, D.C.
August 2017–May 2018

- Consulting governmental, non-profit, and private organizations on public affairs, strategic communications, and crisis management.
- Aiding firm associates in a variety of client services including social media and press monitoring, media advisory and public statement drafting, message development, narrative spin, and integrated brand control.
- Supporting several client-facing ad-hoc projects; collaborating with firm staff to tackle crisis and unexpected work.

Oberlin College

Oberlin, OH

Resident Assistant, Office of Residential Education

August 2017–May 2018

- Provided a formal introduction to campus by welcoming residents, orienting them to campus, and modeling the norms, values, and rules of the Oberlin College community.
- Encouraged and supported residents in their involvement in residence hall government, campus student organizations and campus activities.
- Executed a range of administrative duties including submitting incident reports, making nightly rounds, assessing the living conditions of student spaces, and mandated reporting via Title IX policies.

Oberlin College

Oberlin, OH

Multicultural Team Intern, Office of Admissions

August 2017–May 2018

- Interviewed prospective students and submitted holistic admittance evaluations to admissions counselors.
- Participated in various speaking engagements for prospective students and families to support institutional matriculation efforts; contributed to the office's exceeding
- Partnered with senior staff to spearhead new communications projects; coordinating planning for various office recruitment initiatives.

United States Senate

Cleveland & Lorain, OH

Intern, Office of Senator Sherrod Brown

September 2016–Present

- Crafted written and oral communication while representing the Senator in external correspondence with constituents.
- Assisted congressional staffers with constituent correspondence.
- Manipulated data entry with IBM Intertrac Constituent Relationship Management Program.
- Recorded requests for federal assistance and formal expressions of concern.
- Navigated constituents with federal agency needs towards specialized advocacy staff members.

Oberlin College

Oberlin, OH

Speaking and Writing Associate, Department of Rhetoric and Composition

August 2016–Present

- Creating and presenting workshops to various departments, classes, and organizations on public speaking and presentation skills.
- Staffing the Oberlin College Writing Center; tutoring students in writing, written composition, and oratory work.

The Huffington Post

New York City, NY

Campus Editor-at-Large, Huffington Post Blog

August 2016–Present

- Content drafting and producing for The Huffington Post's various blog sections.
- Communicating campus news to HuffPost managers and assisting in planning campus projects.

The Grape

Oberlin, OH

Staff Writer, Editorial Team

June 2016–Present

- Found and produced the stories that matter on campus for Oberlin's only alternative student newspaper.
- Supported freelance contributors in their efforts to complete a piece from initial development to final copy editing.
- Collaborated with the editorial team to build innovative projects that further the publication's mission.

George Washington's Mount Vernon

Washington, D.C. & Alexandria, VA

Fellow, Mount Vernon Leadership Fellows

June 2017–July 2017

- Selected as one of 16 students nationwide to participate in a highly-competitive leadership program sponsored by philanthropist David M. Rubenstein.
- Engaged in a dynamic strategic leadership education curriculum through the context of George Washington and a community service focused cause.
- Researched, developed, and presented a capstone project aimed at making writing education and literacy instruction more accessible to underrepresented communities.

United States House of Representatives

Southfield, MI

Intern, Office of Representative Brenda Lawrence

April 2017–August 2017

- Connected constituents with internal and external resources regarding federal matters.
- Curated press clips from local, national, and global news relevant to the Congresswoman.
- Assisted caseworkers in research and constituent advocacy.
- Corresponded with constituents through various mediums on behalf of the Congresswoman.

City of Detroit

Detroit, MI

Communications Intern, Office of the Mayor

June 2016–August 2016

- Supported the Mayor's Communication Team in strategic communications planning, including the Chief of Staff, Director of Communications, Senior Publicist, Deputy Press Secretary, and Social and Digital Media Coordinator.
- Managed and wrote content for the City's social and digital media outlets consisting of the official City blog and the Mayor's and City's verified social media accounts.
- Assisted the Strategic Communications Advisor in writing and preparing mayoral briefs, press releases, media advisories, and correspondence with constituents.

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Washington, D.C.

Civil Rights Intern, Office of the Administrator

January 2016

- Operated under the direction of the Senior Advisor to the Director; assisted in the development of an external compliance toolkit designed for recipients of EPA funding.
- Focused on using Federal Plain Language standards to increase the EPA OCR's accessibility.

Oberlin College

Oberlin, OH

Assistant Controller, Office of the Student Treasurer

October 2015–September 2016

- Processed forms and spending reports into the office database and monitoring account transactions and balances.
- Maintained a record of year to date transactions of all student organizations, while making this ledger available to the Student Finance Committee and Organizational Treasurers for reference.
- Used oral and written communications skills to push creativity, drive, and team brainstorming.

Oberlin College

Oberlin, OH

Blogger, Office of Communications

October 2015–Present

- Writing first-person narratives about experiences as an Oberlin student.
- Using oral and written communications skills to push creativity, drive, and team brainstorming.

Quicken Loans

Oberlin, OH

Campus Ambassador, Recruiting

September 2015–May 2016

- Advocated as an extension of the recruiting team.
- Found and matched talent to the Quicken Loans Internship program and other positions.

Quicken Loans

Detroit, MI

Mainstream Communications Intern, Mortgage Operations

May 2015–August 2015

- Consulted directly with an Operations Director in the area of Mortgage Operations.
- Performed daily data entry via Excel and inter-corporate software to track team member performance, and distributing it effectively among the team.

University of Detroit Jesuit High School and Academy

Detroit, MI

Annual Fund Telecommunications Representative, Office of Development

March 2013–April 2015

- Contacted alumni, past parents, and friends of the institution to maintain relations and acquire contributions to the Annual Fund.
- Collected and verified personal and professional information for database upkeep.

COMMITTEES & LEADERSHIP ROLES

Student Senate Chair, Academic and Administrative Program Review | Oberlin, OH

April 2018

Office of the President, Oberlin College

Co-Chair, Student Advisory Board | Oberlin, OH

September 2017

Office of Communication, Oberlin College

Vice Chair, Student Senate | Oberlin, OH

September 2017

Division of Student Life, Oberlin College

President, Writer's Guild | Fort Collins, CO

January 2017

Semester at Sea, Institute for Shipboard Education

Representative, Sea Council Fort Collins, CO <i>Semester at Sea, Institute for Shipboard Education</i>	January 2017
Director of Communications, Student Senate Oberlin, OH <i>Division of Student Life, Oberlin College</i>	September 2016
Student Representative, Alumni Leadership Council Oberlin, OH <i>Alumni Association, Oberlin College</i>	June 2016
Strategic Planning Implementation Group for Diversity, Inclusion, and Equity Oberlin, OH <i>General Faculty Committee, Oberlin College</i>	May 2016
President, Class of 2019 Oberlin, OH <i>Deans' Office, Oberlin College</i>	February 2016
Communications Coordinator, Student Union Board Oberlin, OH <i>Student Union, Oberlin College</i>	January 2016
Alumni Facilitator, Generation of Promise Detroit, MI <i>Focus: Hope [501(c)(3)]</i>	August 2013

CONFERENCES AND TRAININGS

Global Student Leadership Summit Miami, FL <i>Diversity Abroad</i>	April 2018
Public Service Weekend Denver, CO <i>Public Policy & International Affairs Program</i>	July 2017
Delegate, College Debate '16 San Rafael, CA <i>Commission on Presidential Debates</i>	June 2016
Campus Camp Wellstone Oberlin, OH <i>Wellstone Action [501(c)(4)]</i>	May 2016

SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS

Cole Scholar Oberlin College Initiative in Electoral Politics	November 2017
Leadership Fellow Mount Vernon Ladies' Association	June 2017
Susan J. Phillips Award Oberlin College	May 2017
Godlove Rubin Public Interest Family Award Oberlin College	May 2016
Law Scholar Oberlin College	April 2016
Bonner Scholar Corella & Bertram F. Bonner Foundation	July 2015
Rosa Parks Scholar (Butzel Long Scholar) Rosa L. Parks Scholarship Foundation	June 2015
Urban Solutions Scholar Urban Solutions, Inc.	June 2015
John Philip Sousa Award University of Detroit Jesuit High School and Academy	May 2015
Youth Citizen Service Award Detroit Rotary Club	April 2015

PUBLICATIONS

- “On College Campuses, Does ‘Liberal’ Mean ‘Illiberal’?”** December 2016
The New York Times
- “#CollegeDebate16 Lets Students Set the Presidential Debate Agenda”** July 2016
Affinity Magazine
- “At Another Incredible Moral Moment”** April 2016
Oberlin College Alumni Magazine
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ORGANIZATIONS

- National Association of Black Journalists** August 2016
Member
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PROFICIENCIES AND SKILLS

Blogging Platforms

xBlog by dnnngo.net, WordPress, and Movable Type Open Source

Social Media Platforms

Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, LinkedIn, and Managing Software

Microsoft Suite

Word, PowerPoint, Excel (including VLOOKUP and Pivot Tables), Outlook, Publisher

iWork Suite

Pages, Numbers, and Keynote

Communications and Public Relations Tools

Cision, GovDelivery, and Google Alerts, Crimson Hexagon, TVEyes

Government and Policy Tools

Intertrac