

CHRISTINA BLASH

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EDUCATION

Saint Louis University School of Social Work, St. Louis, Missouri August 2013
Master of Social Work with Community Concentration

Honors/Activities: Social Work Senator – SLU Student Government Association,
SLU Social Work Community & Organization Concentration Committee

Saint Louis University School of Law, St. Louis, Missouri 2010-2012
42 hours towards J.D. degree

Honors/Activities: Dean's Select Scholar; Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity International;
International Law Student Association; Hispanic Law Student Association, President;
Asian American Law Student Association; Public Interest Law Group; First Year Student Mentor

University of Missouri – St. Louis, St. Louis, Missouri May 2009

Bachelor of Science, *magna cum laude*, Social Work, with a Certificate in Trauma Studies

Honors/Activities: UMSL Transfer Scholarship; Tau Sigma Honor Society for Transfer Students, Secretary;
Golden Key National Honor Society; New Student Orientation Mentor; Student Social Work Association

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Hope International University / Apostolic School of Theology Fullerton / Sacramento, California
Adjunct Professor – Human Development Department November 2013 – present

- Facilitate class instruction in accordance with learning objectives and session plan outlines.
- Evaluate student performance, provide timely feedback, and respond promptly to student inquiries.
- Serve on the board of International Association of Soteric Counselors

Blash Counseling Associates St. Louis, Missouri
Intake and Outreach Coordinator, Provisional Therapist October 2013 – December 2014

- Coordinated with area schools and social organizations to obtain a constant stream of referrals.
- Conduct mental health assessments, and provide a preliminary diagnosis for clients with mental and behavioral concerns.
- Organize and supervise community outreach teams to inform community residents of our services.
- Provide long-term mental health therapy for children, youth, and adults, under direct licensure supervision.

BJC Behavioral Health Kirkwood, Missouri
Community Support Specialist/Case Manager January 2013 – October 2013

- Provided holistic and comprehensive case management services to all clients, including: crisis assessment, goal setting, weekly case plan development, progress monitoring, individual money management, tenant education, advocacy and referrals.
- Provided all required documentation in a timely manner, which may include client follow-up, outcome evaluation, client contact sheets, and evaluations.
- Participated in regular staff meetings, staff training programs, supervisory sessions, and accept the responsibility for aiding the development of positive team relationships as requested.

Law Offices of Craig J. Concannon, P.C. Clayton, Missouri
Legal Assistant / Law Clerk Supervisor August 2011 – June 2012

- Supervised law clerks with an innovative language project, coordinated schedules and community outreach.
- Updated and structured online presence including creating website and social network pages.
- Met with injured clients, analyzed personal injury claims, corresponded directly with clients, courts, insurance companies, and other attorneys.
- Researched legal standards and ensured each case comported to local, state, and federal regulations.
- Drafted and filed motions in civil and criminal cases on the state and federal level.

United States Pretrial Services [8th District]

Pretrial Services Officer Intern

St. Louis, Missouri
February 2012 – May 2012

- Worked with Federal organizations including Social Security Administration (SSA), Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI), Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) and Office of Interior General (OIG).
- Interviewed defendants who have been indicted by the United States of a federal crime and reported to the Federal Judiciary regarding matters of bond or detention for defendants.
- Interviewed individuals to determine eligibility in the Diversion program of the U.S. Pretrial Services.
- Assisted defendants seeking jobs while they are on bond.
- Maintained accurate records and statistics for purposes of evidence-based practice (EBP).

**St. Louis University School of Law,
Center for International and Comparative Law**

Faculty Fellow/Research Assistant

St. Louis, Missouri
November 2010 – August 2011

- Assisted the Director and Assistant Director with planning, organizing, and promoting the various functions of the Center.
- Lead recruitment for the LL.M. program for the School of Law

Grace Hill Settlement House – Urban Studio Café

Non-Profit Management Intern

St. Louis, Missouri
December 2009 – May 2010

- Created a database for grants, compiled documents and maintained records for non-profit status.
- Coordinated advertising and marketing for event, and presented our model to students at the University of Missouri – St. Louis School of Social Work.

St. Louis County Prosecuting Attorney's Office, Victim Services Division

Victim's Advocate Intern

Clayton, Missouri
January 2009 – August 2009

- Performed problem assessment; established goals and interventions; maintained daily progress notes.
- Updated victims on their case status; assisted with completion of child and adult orders of protection.

The Women's Safe House

Victim's Advocate Intern

St. Louis, Missouri
November 2007 – January 2008

- Answered crisis hotline; completed assessment of victim's needs; coordinated transportation for victims; assisted staff with securing donations and groups for volunteer projects.

University City Police Department, Victim Services Division

Victim's Advocate Intern

University City, Missouri
September 2007 – June 2008

- Served as liaison between victims and the police department; explained criminal justice processes.
- Referred victims of crimes to community resources as needed; maintained statistical data.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Tau Sigma National Honor Society

Mentor Program Coordinator

St. Louis, Missouri
2011 - present

Neighbor – to – Neighbor Outreach, (After School Community Tutoring)

Tutor

St. Louis, Missouri
2006 – 2013

Child Rights Advocacy,

Community Advocate, Researcher, and Grant Writer

Bhavnagar, Gujarat, India
Summer 2010

CERTIFICATIONS & MEMBERSHIPS:

Certificate in Trauma Studies
Lexis Nexis Research Certificate
Westlaw Research Certificate
National Association of Social Workers
Missouri Association of Social Workers

National Hispanic Professional Organization
St. Louis Inter-faith Committee on Latin America
Old North St. Louis Restoration Group

INTERESTS: Traveling to India and Spanish-speaking countries, cross-cultural studies, languages, volleyball and horseback riding.

