

Kate Gibson

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Education

University of California at Berkeley, Berkeley, California | December 2017
B.A., Political Science and B.A., Peace and Conflict Studies | GPA: 3.6

Employment Experience

Ridgemont Early Literacy Center, Fort Bend ISD, Houston, TX 7/16/18-current
Teacher

- Developed the academic and social-emotional skills of approximately 24 students per year in a self-contained classroom by providing rigorous instruction and fostering a love of learning/
- Collaborated with grade level team members to create standards-based, detailed lesson plans.
- Coordinated a NASA field trip for 75 first graders, 10 staff members, and 24 parents. Applied for district and Title I funding with a compelling description of the field trip's value to students.
- Founded the Environment Club to address the lack of campus-wide recycling and teach students about the environment and caring for nature in an after-school enrichment club. Led students in collecting recycling, teaching others about the environment, and gardening around campus.
- Applied for and received a teacher grant through the Fort Bend Education Foundation. Created an action-based learning classroom by purchasing wobble stools with the money to encourage student activity and engagement.
- Served as a member of the Heart Committee and led staff in fostering a positive and supportive campus climate through "random acts of kindness" for staff, and planning holidays and socials.

Teach for America, Houston, TX 5/29/18-current
2018 Corps Member

- Served as an Americorps member teaching in a Title I early childhood education classroom.
- Attended the annual Teach for America Benefit Dinner as an invited representative of the 2018 Corps. Worked with donors and stakeholders in the community to pursue our common goal of educational equity.
- Participated in many professional and leadership development trainings and seminars to further my classroom success and use of community-building and restorative justice strategies.

Office of Congressman Lloyd Doggett, Austin, TX 1/22/18-4/19/18
Casework Intern/Constituent Services Representative

- Assisted constituents with federal matters including visas, immigration, Social Security, and VA.
- Inquired to federal agencies on behalf of constituents and collaborate to solve their issues. Acted as an advocate to these agencies on the behalf of constituents.
- Communicated with constituents regularly by calling and emailing to keep them updated on their case.

Office of Mayor Steve Adler at City Hall, Austin, TX

1/22/18-4/19/18

Communications Intern

- Used historical research about previous development codes to analyze ways to improve current city policies. Collaborate with staff to provide policy suggestions.
- Communicated with media and press as a representative of the office.

Office of Congressman Lloyd Doggett, Washington, D.C.

6/10/17-8/12/17

Intern

- Communicated with and responded to constituents, congressional offices, and media contacts.
- Attended hearings and meetings on behalf of legislative assistants and the communications director and provided detailed and valuable notes.
- Led groups on Capitol tours, assisted visitors to the office, and took meetings with organizations.

UT System, Office of Federal Relations, Washington, D.C.

6/01/16-7/01/16

Research Intern

- Conducted research for a graduate student class about history and operations of DC politics, to assist the Vice Chancellor of Federal Relations.
- Attended 2 Congressional hearings and assisted in planning hearings and meetings with government officials.

UC Berkeley, Berkeley, CA

04/01/16-12/10/17

Academic Center and Front Desk Assistant

- Monitored academic center at university dorms, help residents use the equipment and ensure that everything is working.
- Served as a liaison between students and the administrative offices by communicating student needs and placing service requests.
- Monitored front desk and assisted students with mail and technology issues.
- Worked as a customer service representative by answering the phone and communicating with mail carrier companies.

The Cascón Family, Madrid, Spain

6/01/15-8/01/15

Au Pair

- Taught English to and looked after two children, ages 12 and 8, while living in the family's home. Spoke only Spanish outside of English lessons.

Skills, Interests, and Activities

- Languages
 - Studied Spanish, Mandarin Chinese, Latin, Swedish, and Hindi
 - Studied abroad in Beijing, China (Summer 2013). Lived with a host family and took a 5-week intensive Mandarin course. Visited Shanghai, Xian, Xiahe, and Lanzhou.
- Activities and Leadership at UC Berkeley
 - Director of Campus Safety in ASUC (UC Berkeley Student Government)

- o Business Manager of Drawn to Scale A Cappella
- o Secretary of Theater for Charity
- o Executive Vice President of CalGreeks Alcohol Taskforce
- o Volunteer Note-Taker for the Disabled Students' Program
- o Habitat for Humanity Volunteer
- Relevant Coursework
 - o Senior thesis paper on the political beliefs of Texas university students. Courses on international human rights law, international politics, genocide prevention, constitutional law, the welfare system, negotiation practices, and peacebuilding methods.

Honors and Awards

- Dean's List, UC Berkeley
- Prytanean Women's Honors Society, UC Berkeley
- Sigma Iota Rho International Studies Honors Society, UC Berkeley