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Creative Director



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Dear Sir or Madam,

Since 2010, I have served in a range of capacities in operations management, business administration, public and private education, and professional training throughout the U.S. and Japan. Having experienced the difficulties and breakthroughs in a diversity of business models as well as the cultural nuances that accompany working and living in foreign countries makes me a valuable asset to any team.

I would describe myself as an encouraging, enthusiastic, and high-agency individual who has strategized, developed, and implemented innovative products and services in education, journalism, and creative media. As an insatiable learner who constantly pursues avenues for continued learning, I am naturally curious and intensely aware of the world around me. As a person who is mission oriented and purpose driven, I invite any challenge that demands excellence, commitment, and endurance. And as an athlete who has competed at the highest levels of team and individual sports since high school, I enjoy pushing myself and learning more about how to cultivate and strengthen my abilities as I help others around me reach their potential.

Four years ago, my business partner and I have embarked on a passion project and business venture to travel Japan and provide thought provoking, complete, and inspiring news coverage through our unique photographic, cinematic, and journalistic style. It is a culmination of the various technical and creative disciplines I've honed over the years and continue to build upon!

Allow me to invite you to explore more about whom I am through this resume; and I hope that my diverse career experiences and accomplishments can compel you to consider me for your team. Thank you for your attention and time.

Respectfully,

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Education



DePaul University

Bachelor of Arts in International Relations
 Bachelor of Arts in Sociology
 From 2008 to 2013
 Chicago, Illinois



Awards & Honors: *Presidential Scholarship, National Honors Society, Rotary International Scholarship, California Scholarship Federation*

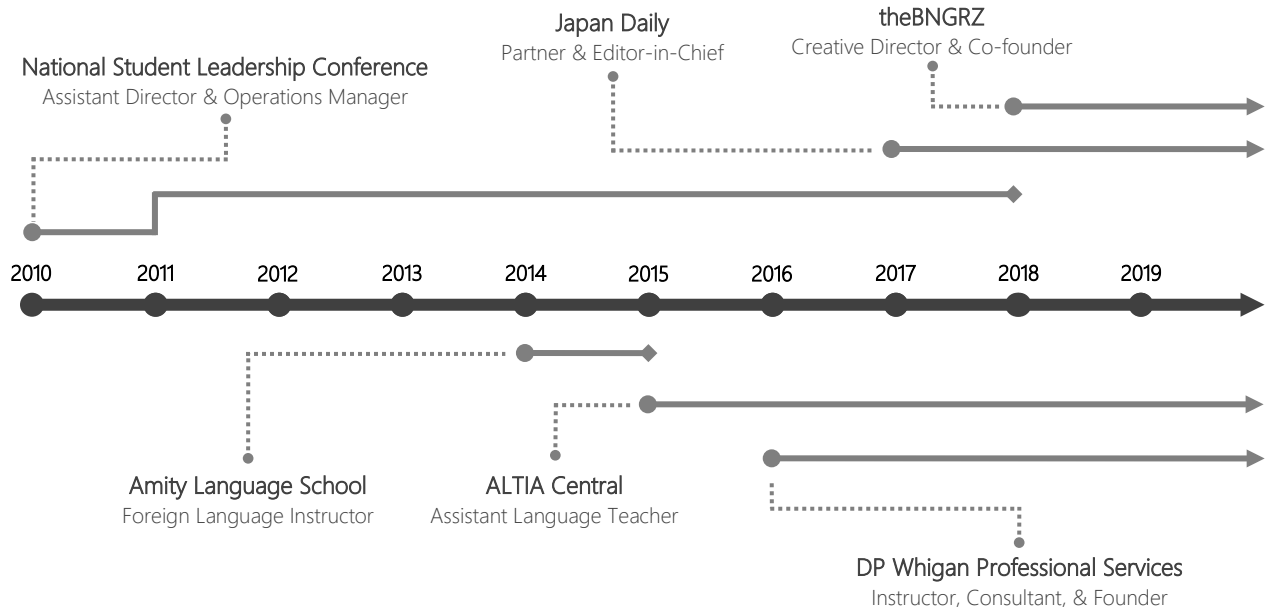
Organizations & Extracurricular



The Lab (Co-founder & President) - DePaul University's first Hip Hop and media organization created to educate and inspire the student body through creative arts and to partner with Chicago communities by organizing and participating in events

DePaul University (Student Alumni Ambassador) - Represented undergraduate interests' in a range of administrative meetings and high-profile events while campaigned to increase the university's endowment by 35% from 2010 to 2013

Experience [Timeline]



Core Competencies

Leadership & Mentoring	● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ●
Personnel Training	● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ●
Trouble Shooting	● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ●
Brand Development	● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ●
Project Management	● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ●
Budget Development	● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ●
Budget Assessment	● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ●
Creative Problem Solving	● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ●
Business Cont. Planning	● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ●
Product Development	● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ●

Skill Sets

Technical	Languages	Fitness
Microsoft Office	English	Power Lifting
Adobe Creative Suite	Japanese	Calisthenics
Quip/Slack/Deerworks	Spanish	Ultra Marathon
Google Analytics	Markdown	Triathlon
Creative	Medical	Other
Photography	First Responder	Navigation
Videography	Emergency Medicine	Cooking
Graphic Design		Dance (Breaking)

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Experience [Detailed]

Japan Daily

www.japandaily.jp

Japan

Editor-in-Chief & Partner

December 2018 – Present

- Appointed as the Editor-In-Chief to oversee primary operations and drive the effectiveness of secondary channels
- Developed and integrated continuity management strategies in a period of leadership and financial transition
- Modernized creative workflow and internal processes to better coordinate personnel and meet fast paced deadlines
- Spearhead and negotiate proposals for partnerships with brands, agencies, and events in order to improve strategic positioning

Senior Editor, Photo-journalist, & Videographer

June 2016 – December 2018

- Organize and lead regular meetings to clarify and adjust the financial, operational, and creative direction of the company
 - Planned, shot, edited, and incorporated visual assets to provide a creative and effective style of presenting news and information
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The BNGRZ

www.thebngrz.com

Japan

Creative Director & Co-founder

March 2018 – Present

- Screened and recruited personnel in order to build a team of independent creators and coordinated professionals
 - Established a culture of creativity as well as the value set of the company to instill inspirational work and aggressive goal setting
 - Visualize, direct, shoot, and edit videos and photos for clients across a wide range of industries and artistic modalities
 - Strategically manage staff duties and responsibilities to best leverage individual skills and maximize group productivity
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DP Whigan Professional Services

www.donaldpaulwhigan.com

Japan

Advance Leadership, Professional Development, and Business Communications Consultant

March 2015 – Present

- Provide career portfolio consultation and services to augment client value and increase upward mobility in the workplace
 - Conceptualize and plan curriculum to better prepare clients for real world business communication and negotiation
 - Integrate project-based learning to challenge students' linguistic and communicative abilities and group problem solving skills
 - Assess individual weaknesses through regular proficiency tests and personal consultation to stay consistent with goal trajectory
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NSLC – Yale University & The George Washington University

www.nslcleaders.org

United States

Assistant Director

February 2011 – August 2018

- Successfully managed multimillion-dollar leadership conferences at Yale University and The George Washington University
- Supervised daily operations and directed small teams to ensure discrete troubleshooting and effective problem solving
- Delegated and scheduled staff duties and responsibilities to maximize efficiency and efficacy for sustained periods of duty
- Conducted site-wide evaluations and analyzed data for both immediate and incremental improvement strategies
- Overhauled and integrated new logistical procedures and structure for more effective and safer onsite performance

Operations Manager

June 2010 – February 2011

- Coordinated staff recruitment and training strategies for site administrators and general staff members for consistent workflow
- Managed onsite staff and worked closely with world leading professionals and academics to stay ahead of client expectations
- Codified and implemented site policies and helped create site-wide risk prevention and risk management protocol