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SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS

Over 10 years of Student Affairs proven experience and proficiency in:

- Visionary Leadership
- Innovation & Execution
- Team Development and Building
- Student Advocacy
- Relationship Fostering
- Fiscal Stewardship

EDUCATION

Doctor of Philosophy: Urban Higher Education

Aug./14

Jackson State University-Jackson, MS:

Dissertation Title: *Factors Influencing the Decision-Making of Student Conduct Officers Regarding Student Sanctions*

Master of Arts: Criminal Justice

Dec./04

University of Louisiana, Monroe, LA:

Bachelor of Arts: Criminal Justice

May/03

Saint Peters University, Jersey City, NJ:

Concentrations: *Jurisprudence; Criminal Research and Intelligence Analysis*

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE, CLINTON, MS

Private, faith-based liberal arts and sciences university with approximately 5100 students (1900 residential).

Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs

May/16-Present

Develops policies and procedures that will ensure effective operation of the division. Develop and administer the Servant Leadership Minor and Emphasis program in coordination with the Department of Teacher Education and Leadership, School of Education. Provide direction to student activities, Welcome Week, leadership development, social and non-social organizations, intramurals, and the campus activities board. Monitors budgets and plans future budgets, with departmental directors, for all departments. Assist the Vice President in the planning, administration, and leadership of the Division of Enrollment Management and Dean of Students. Develop and implement services, activities, and opportunities that complete the student experience and enhance their adjustment to and participation in college life with the specific purpose of increasing student retention, persistence, and graduation rates.

Major Accomplishments

- Created and implemented a Servant Leadership Emphasis, partnering with the School of Education
- Implementation and coordination of the Mississippi College Mobile App which has led to greater student and alumni engagement
- Streamlined case management flow for reporting/directing student behavior reports from the campus community
- Restructured and redefined the Student Intervention Team, increasing student distress reports
- Improved line communication between student affairs and campus

Associate Dean of Students*June/14-May/16*

Provide leadership to the areas and professionals of Residence Life, Student Development, and Student Engagement which includes student activities, Welcome Week, Student Government Association, student conduct, leadership development, new student orientation, social and non-social organizations, intramurals, campus activities board, and the Student Intervention Team. Operational budget in excess of \$1.06 million.

Major Accomplishments:

- Restructured the Student Life staff and responsibilities, creating a more unified team effort to better serve students
- Created a Student Life Center, increasing student participation and satisfaction
- Restructure of the student code process including complete overhaul of student code of conduct
- Implemented a Student Engagement fee, covering all cost for Fall/Spring Welcome Week
- Revamped major Policies-Title IX, Missing Students Notification, Non Academic Accommodations
- Revitalized new student orientations programs with student development theory

SOUTHEASTERN LOUISIANA UNIVERSITY, HAMMOND, LA
Public, regional university; 13,500+ students (2200 residential)

Director, Student Union*Nov./07-June/14*

Directed facility oversight, approving all requests for building usage and oversee setup/breakdown of all meetings, conferences, and programs for the War Memorial Student Union. Assisted/oversight of student activities, served as a conduct officer, and Student Affairs liaison to Athletics. Operational budget in excess of \$900,000.

Major Accomplishments:

- Served on the Student Union New Construction/Renovation team that had oversight of a \$32 million construction project
- Rewrote and revamped service contracts to maximize cost and labor
- Led the Union Theater A/V renovation project
- Designed and renovated the Game Room leading to increase in revenue
- Increased overall building usage by campus customers and exterior vendors
- Streamlined facility request which led to increasing customer satisfaction
- Created and facilitated Welcome Week for freshmen
- Created and facilitated Swamp Bowl, the biggest tradition of the Spring Semester

Assistant Director, Physical Plant Services*Aug./06-Nov./07*

Served as an integral team member that oversaw all custodial, material, and service contracts, supervised the custodial work for 52 buildings, controlled the Physical Plant Warehouse, served as the Fleet Manager, managed the Key Shop, and supervised the Moving Crew.

Major Accomplishments:

- Navigated the fleet program into compliance with the State Fleet Manager
- Integral part of establishing the university shuttle system: Lion Traxx
- Developed and implemented new custodial, elevator, and supply contracts
- Increased institutional image through branding initiative: Deb Soap

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

MONROE POLICE DEPARTMENT, MONROE, LA

*Jan./05-Aug./06***Police Officer**

Assigned to the patrol unit and investigated potential crimes that were committed, enforced traffic laws, and assisted citizens with concerns during my tour of duty.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Mississippi College, Clinton, MS

Jan./15-Present

Adjunct Professor

- EDU 190: Foundations of Servant Leadership
- ENG 390: Foundations of Servant Leadership
- IDS 491A: Servant Leadership Practicum
- IDS 491B: Servant Leadership Practicum
- EDU 490: Servant Leadership Field Experience

Southeastern Louisiana University, Hammond, LA

Aug./10-Dec./11

Instructor, Center for Student Excellence

- UNIV 101; Freshman Seminar

Career Technical College, Monroe, LA

Jan./06-May/06

Instructor, Department of Criminal Justice

- Criminal Law

University of Louisiana, Monroe, Monroe, LA

Aug./03-Dec./04

Graduate Assistant, North Delta Regional Training Academy

- Physical Fitness

PROFESSIONAL PUBLICATIONS

- Ambrose, J.W. (2014). Moving Towards an Individualized Sanctioning Approach: Factors that Influence Student Conduct Officers. *National Association of Student Affairs Professionals Journal*. Volume 14, Number 1
- Ambrose, J.W. (2011). Summer Orientation: It's Not Just for Freshmen. *The APCA Student Activities Journal*.

PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

- Ambrose, J. Rethinking Student Affairs. Presented at Southeastern Louisiana University's Division for Student Affairs Annual Retreat in August 2017.
- Ambrose, J. Who are you Recruiting? #GenZ. Presented at the National Association of Baptist Enrollment Professionals National Conference in Clinton, MS in May 2017.
- Ambrose, J., & Nutt, J. What's your Purpose? A Guide to Student Intervention and Care Teams at Faith-Based Institutions. Presented at the Association of Christians in Student Development National Conference in June 2017.
- Ambrose, J., & Benson, R. Pioneering a Freshman Leadership Initiative. Presented at the Association of Christians in Student Development National Conference in June 2017.
- Ambrose, J., & Jernigan, M. #GenZandStudentAffairs. Presented at the Association of Christians in Student Development National Conference in June 2016.
- Ambrose, J., Benson, R., Hays, S., & Nutt, J. When Student Affairs Innovation Meets Student Aggravation. Presented at the Association of Christians in Student Development National Conference in June 2016.
- Ambrose, J., Cockrell, P.F., Cantrell, S., Vaughn, E., & Woods, A. Pursue a Terminal Degree or Nah? Presented at the Mississippi Association of College Student Affairs Professionals in Columbus, MS in May 2015.
- Ambrose, J. Encountering Generation Z: The New Students on Campus. Presented at the Mississippi Association of College Student Affairs Professionals in Columbus, MS in May 2015.

INVOLVEMENT & AFFILIATIONS

Professional:

2016 National Conference Program Reviewer. (2015). Association for Student Conduct Administration

University Service:

Mississippi College

Chair, Student Intervention Team (SIT) 2014-Present

Chair, New Student Orientation Committee 2014-Present

Committee Member, Accommodating Disabilities Committee 2014-Present

Committee Member, Admissions Committee 2014-Present

Committee Member, Commencement Committee 2014-Present

Committee Member, Enrollment Appeals Committee 2014-Present

Committee Member, Housing Task Force 2014-Present

Committee Member, Publication Council 2014-Present

Committee Member, Retention Committee 2014-Present

Committee Member, Safety Committee 2014-Present

Committee Member, Sexual Assault Awareness Committee 2014-Present

Committee Member, Student Activities and Services Committee 2014-Present

Committee Member, Strategic Planning Steering Committee 2014-Present

Southeastern Louisiana University

Organizational Adviser, Kappa Sigma, Southeastern Louisiana University, 2011-2013

Organizational Adviser, Southeastern Fishing Club, 2011-2012

Chair, Campus Activities Board Coordinator Search Committee, 2011

Chair, Student Government Association Coordinator, 2008 and 2009

Committee Member, 100% Smokes Free Committee, 2012-2014

Committee Member, Litter Free Committee, 2012-2014

Committee Member, Student Union Renovation/Construction, 2008-2014

Committee Member, Rock N Roar-Literary Rally, 2007-2014

Committee Member, Homecoming Committee, 2006-2014

Committee Member, Spring Daze Committee, 2007-2012

Committee Member, Traditions Committee, 2009-2011

Committee Member, Student Affairs Collaboration and Planning Team Committee, 2008-2011

Committee Member, One Shirt/One Pride Committee, 2007-2009

Committee Member, Student Leadership Conference Committee, 2008-2011

Committee Member, Maneacs Committee, 2010-2012

Committee Member, Football Operations Committee

Committee Member, Student Affairs Leadership Team Committee, 2011-2013

Community:

Member, Brilla Soccer Ministries, Board of Directors (Present)

Assistant Softball Coach: U8 Girls (2017). Clinton Softball Association. Clinton, Mississippi

Assistant Baseball Coach: U10 Boys (2017). Clinton Baseball Association. Clinton, Mississippi

Assistant Baseball Coach: 8-year-old All-stars (2016). Clinton Baseball Association. Clinton, Mississippi

Head Baseball Coach: U8 Boys (2016). Clinton Baseball Association. Clinton, Mississippi

Head Soccer Coach: U8 Boys (2016). Clinton Soccer Association. Clinton, Mississippi

Head Soccer Coach: U8 Boys (2015). Clinton Soccer Association. Clinton, Mississippi

Assistant Soccer Coach: U7 Boys (2015) Clinton Soccer Association. Clinton, Mississippi

Assistant Baseball Coach: 7-year-old All-stars (2015). Clinton Baseball Association. Clinton, Mississippi