Nicholas Jaar

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EDUCATION:

University of San Francisco (USF), San Francisco, CA

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B.A. in Psychology

Honors in Psychology Program, 3.80 overall GPA, 3.82 major GPA

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE:

Twins, Adoptees, Peers, Siblings Study (TAPS), USF, San Francisco, CA

November 2012 - Present

Lab Manager/ Project Manager/ Research Assistant/Video Coder

- Observe the behavior of children from recorded video data and code for various behaviors into objective numerical data
- Compile research findings in a presentation format and present findings at professional conferences
- Assist in data entry using SPSS, data cleaning, and scoring of data of a sample of 300 families
- Manage ongoing projects for the school year, including setting team goals for the semester, hiring of new assistants, overseeing data cleaning and analysis, and ensuring deadlines are met by all lab members

CLINICAL EXPERIENCE:

Friendship Line UCSF Institute of Aging, San Francisco, CA

January 2014 – Present

Emotional Support Volunteer

- Talk to a diverse client base throughout the United States, although mainly from the elderly population, with various histories of mental illness and/or physical disabilities
- Provide active listening to all clients while recording sensitive information on clients mental and emotional well being
- Ensure APS (Adult Protection Services) or emergency services are alerted if possible abuse is suspected as well make available to the client a safe, non-judgmental environment who are suicidal or emotionally unstable

Women's Daytime Drop In Center, Berkeley, CA

September 2013 – December 2013

Intern

- Worked on a one-on-one basis with approximately 10-20 clients independently on a daily basis and referred them to various outside social services for information regarding housing, clothing, baby supplies, school supplies, hygiene centers, food bank referrals, and outpatient mental health services
- Assisted social workers by overseeing the staff voicemail and taking messages for the social workers regarding new clients
- Directed incoming traffic flow of 15-20 clients for drop in appointments with social workers throughout the day
- Observed in the weekly group therapy sessions under the supervision of a therapist by actively listening to client's concerns and emotional distress
- Controlled the allotting of donations to clients by limiting the number of hygiene supplies they may take as well as making sure all cabinets with supplies are kept locked and secure

ACHIEVEMENTS:

- Psi Chi USF Chapter, Psychology Honors Society Member Spring 2013
- Research Conferences Western Psychological Association Conference (WPA) 2013, 2014, Psi Chi Human Behavior Research Conference (HBRC) 2013, 2014, University of San Francisco Creative Research and Activity Day (CARD) 2013, 2014

SKILLS:

- Computer Skills Microsoft Word Office 2010, Microsoft Excel 2010, Microsoft PowerPoint 2010/ familiar with software such as SPSS and Qualtrics
- Language Skills basic spoken and written Spanish