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OBJECTIVE

To advocate for a development that acknowledges and respects the diversity of the Belizean population.

LANGUAGES

Q'eqchi Maya – Native, English, Spanish

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Arts – Geography, University of Hawai'i at Hilo, 2008

Associate Degree – Natural Resource Management, University of Belize, 2006

High School Diploma – Arts Department, Toledo Community College, 1998

WORK EXPERIENCE

Community Associate

Institute for Sustainable International Studies, ISIS Belize (2011-Present)

Community lecturer for international studies groups

Coordinator

Maya Leaders Alliance (2009 -Present)

Main duties include coordinating and managing all programs and projects for the alliance, a not for profit umbrella organization made up of five indigenous organizations in southern Belize working directly with the 38 Maya villages of Toledo. The Mission of the MLA is to advocate for the rights of the indigenous Maya of southern Belize.

Academic Director

Tumul K'in Center of Learning (2008-2009)

Main duties include overseeing the development and implementation of intercultural curriculum, support to the development of the academic staff and student development. Tumul K'in is a non-governmental Maya School promoting sustainable development with identity through intercultural education, training and research fusing modern and Maya values, knowledge and philosophy.

Mentor Coordinator

University of Hawai'i (2007-2008)

Main responsibility is to mentor Resident Assistant student staffs to experience greater success in their employment expectations and most importantly in their academic and personal expectations.

Residence Assistant

University of Hawai'i (2006)

Main responsibility is to directly support the personal and academic growth of residents at one of the University of Hawai'i student housing through creative social programs.

Educator

Tumul K'in Center of Learning (2003 -2006)

(Core teacher responsible for all 1st year students)

Teacher

Mabil Ha' Primary School (2001-2002)

Program Officer

Southern Alliance for Grassroots Empowerment (1999-2001)

Field Coordinator

Protected Areas Conservation Trust (1998-1999)

AWARDS

Dean's List, UH Hilo, Fall 2006

International Undergraduate Tuition Scholarship, University of Hawaii at Hilo, 2006-2008

Honours Roll, University of Belize

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

Chairman, Congress of Maya Teachers (2009 – 2010)

The Congress of Maya Teachers is a group of concerned educators uniting in an effort to contribute to the realization of "quality" education that is relevant, responsive and culturally sensitive to the needs, and aspirations of the people of the Toledo District.

Executive Council Member, Maya Leaders Alliance (2006 - 2009)

The Maya Leaders Alliance is an umbrella organization of indigenous organizations in the Toledo District that advocates for the rights of indigenous Maya of southern Belize.

Staff Representative on the Board of Directors, Tumul K'in Center of Learning (2005-2006)

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Tumul K'in Representative on the Board of Directors of Moho River Watershed Alliance (2004-2006)

The Moho River Watershed Alliance was established by the Tumul K'in Center of Learning, Aguacaliente Management Team, and Rio Blanco Maya Association to consolidate efforts in the conservation of the Moho River watershed and promotion of sustainable livelihoods in communities within the watershed.

Member of Parent Teacher Association, Laguna Government School (2003-2004)

A space provided collectively by the community to give back to the development of the community by providing support to the affairs of the Laguna Government School in the delivery of primary education.

Secretary, Laguna Village Council (2001-2002)

The Laguna Village Council consists of seven community leaders who are elected by the community and mandated to represent the interest of the community, manage the affairs and development of Laguna Village and network with partners and the Government of Belize.

Chairman, Board of Directors of Agua Caliente Management Team (2000-2002)

The Agua Caliente Management Team is mandated by the eleven buffer communities of the Agua Caliente Wildlife Sanctuary to promote the conservation of the Agua Caliente wetland and sustainable livelihood practices in accordance to the cultural and traditional aspirations of the buffer communities; and to participate in the co-management process with the Government of Belize.

CERTIFICATES

Community Leadership Training Program – June 2002

(Sponsored by Protected Areas Conservation Trust /Global Environmental Facility/United Nations Development Program - Belize)

Caribbean Cultural Administration – October 2001

(Sponsored by Centro Cultural Cariforo de la Republica Dominicana – Dominican Republic)

National Parks and Conservation Field Studies Seminar – February 2001

(Sponsored by Department of Resource Recreation and Tourism – University of Idaho)

REFERENCES

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