# Victoria G. Vena

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#### **EDUCATION**

American University, School of Public Affairs (SPA), Washington, DC May 2021 Bachelor of Arts in Interdisciplinary Studies: Communications, Law, Economics, and Government Honors: SPA Leadership Program: Public Health and Policy

June 2017

October 2017-present

#### Ridge High School, Basking Ridge, NJ

Honors: 3.6/4.0 GPA, Founder of Mental Health Club, Varsity Volleyball, Honor Roll

## **EXPERIENCE**

Member, SPA Leadership Program, American University August 2017-present

• Selected to study and develop leadership skills through advanced practical training and by implementing a social action project in the public health and policy discipline January 2012-August 2017

Babysitter, Independent, Basking Ridge, NJ

- Demonstrated initiative by providing additional services: laundry, cooking, cleaning, driving
- Preserved a calm and friendly attitude in stressful, fast paced circumstances

*High School Aide*, Aftercare Program, Liberty Corner Elementary School March 2016-June 2017

- Assisted elementary aged children with basic math, science, and language arts homework
- Resolved disputes between children through mediation and compromise

Tutor, Independent, Basking Ridge, NJ September 2014-June 2015

- Transferred organizational and study skills to student
- Supported child academically in homework, projects, and test preparation

## **CAMPUS AND COMMUNITY SERVICE**

Member. Kennedy Political Union. American University September 2017-present

- Coordinate day-of logistics for political speakers lecturing on campus
- Promote political speakers coming to campus using Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and email
- *Tutor*, **D.C. Reads Program**, American University
  - Reported to CentroNia in Columbia Heights to tutor children
  - Administered help with language arts and developing reading comprehension skills to students K-5 based off of a specific DC curriculum

Head Youth Coordinator, Community in Crisis, Basking Ridge, NJ December 2013-August 2017

- Promoted to Head Youth Coordinator after 3 months
- Recruited energetic youth ready to actively engage in the fight against opioids and heroin

Founder, Mental Health Club, Ridge High School, Basking Ridge, NJ November 2013-June 2017

- Negotiated with the local Board of Education about school involvement
- Pursued solutions to different health problems troubling teens in the community
- Educated members of the community about mental health issues facing high schoolers today

## SKILLS

- *Microsoft*: Word, Powerpoint, Excel
- Google: Gmail, Drive, Docs, Slides, Sheets, Calendar