

Laura Sherman

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EDUCATION

Tufts University, Medford, MA

Bachelor of Arts Degree in Psychology and Spanish, Summa Cum Laude, May 2008
GPA: 3.79/4.0

Universidad de Alcalá, Spain

Study Abroad Program, Fall 2006

Lived with a Spanish family from September through December, taking classes in Spanish history, theater, grammar, and the psychopathology of children, all of which were conducted in Spanish. Additionally, taught a weekly English to a class of University students, and took a salsa dancing class

William H. Hall High School, West Hartford, CT

Graduated May 2004, GPA 4.25/4.0, SAT 1540/1600, Member of National Honor and Spanish Honor Societies, Advanced Placement Scholar of Distinction
Varsity Girls' Swim Team Captain

EXPERIENCE

Video Intervention/Prevention Assessment (VIA), Boston, MA

Research Intern, June 2007-Present

VIA is a research project through Children's Hospital Boston that gives video cameras to patients with chronic illness so that they can "teach their doctors about living with their disease"

- Log over 120 hours of video from 5 different participants
- Work with other interns to develop themes and keywords for video content
- Analyze video transcripts using Transana and NVivo Software
- Helped re-write Transana handbook for VIA project

Tufts Behavioral Development Labs, Medford, MA

Research Assistant, January 2007-August 2007

- Run experiments with 14-16 month old babies, examining their imitation behaviors
- Code video from the studies so that it can be analyzed
- Recruit and schedule infants from the surrounding towns to be participants in the studies

Tufts Emotion, Brain, and Behavior Lab, Medford, MA

Research Assistant, September 2007-December 2007

- Run experiments with 4-6 year old children, looking at emotion and movies
- Compile and maintain database of potential participants and their families
- Call and schedule participants for the studies
- Attend monthly lab meetings

The University of Hartford's The Summer Place, Hartford, CT

Camp Counselor and Swim Instructor, June- August 2004-2006

- plan and teach six daily swim lessons for children ages 4-14
- Supervised reception, break, lunch and dismissal activities for 8-10 children

Science Elementary Education Partner (SEEP), West Somerville Elementary, MA

Teacher's Assistant, September 2007-May 2008

- Teach science lessons weekly in first and third grade classrooms as part of SEEP program
- Review lessons before teaching, read books, make models, mentor individual students

Peter's Retreat (24 adult HIV/AIDS Group Home), Hartford, CT

Chef Assistant, May-June 2005

- Assist in preparation of midday meal
- Interact daily with all English and Spanish speaking residents
- Led fundraising initiative to improve home and kitchen facilities

ACTIVITIES

Tufts Women's Varsity Crew, Member, September 2004-June 2008

- Daily practice and weekend regattas in the fall and spring
- Recipient of the Schelessinger Award 2008
- Recipient of NESCAC Spring all Academic Award 2007, 2008
- Recipient of NESCAC Spring All Sportsmanship Award 2008

Tufts Symphony Orchestra, Member, September 2004-December 2007

- Weekly rehearsals and performances throughout the semester

Tufts Dance Collective, Choreographer and dancer, Fall 2004, Spring 2007, Fall 2007, Spring 2008

- Weekly dance rehearsals and end-of-semester performances

SKILLS

Computers: Proficient in MS office, Transana,

Language: Proficient in Spanish

INTERESTS

Writing, travel, languages, ethnic cuisine