# Josh Benjamin

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### Professional Profile & Core Skills

An enthusiastic and self-motivated individual. Responsible and dependable in any situation. Proactive, shrewd, and forthright in problem solving. Dedicated and respectful to partnerships, employers and colleagues. Ability to work effectively both in a team, and independently.

- Software & Languages: Excel (Intermediate), Word (Intermediate), PowerPoint (Intermediate), Hebrew (conversational)
- Experienced and talented public speaking abilities
- Excellent inter-personal, organizational, scheduling, multitasking, and communication skills

## **Education**

# MCGILL UNIVERSITY | MONTREAL, QC, CANADA | CLASS OF 2021

Faculty of Arts: Double Major in History and Political Science, Minor Concentration in Jewish Studies

 Varsity Student Athlete on the Rowing Team, McMUN Committee Director, TAMID Investing & Consulting Group, Sponsorship Chair and Brother at McGill's Alpha Epsilon Pi Fraternity Chapter, Board Member of Chabad House, McGill Pre-Law Society & SSMU Powerlifting Club

# TANENBAUM CHAT HIGH SCHOOL | TORONTO, ON, CANADA | CLASS OF 2017

- · Recipient of Academic Award of Excellence and Academic Award of Merit
- · Co-President of MUN Delegation, Member of regional-winning Trivia Team, Baseball team,

# **Career Summary**

## **COMMUNICATIONS ASSOCIATE INTERN**

2018

B'nai Brith National Organization of Canada (Non-Profit Charity)

- Accepted to B'nai Brith's four-month internship program this past summer where I worked on several research, writing, advocacy, and fundraising projects
- Assisted B'nai Brith in their mandate to protect human rights and combat racism while serving the most vulnerable in the community through subsidized housing, food distribution, and clothing donation boxes all initiatives I was deeply involved with
- Established a reputation of being a hard-working, honest, reliable, and driven employee, capable of undertaking tasks well beyond my pay-grade
- Attended and presented information at weekly board meetings with executives from offices across the country
- The largest initiative I undertook entailed the planning, scheduling and execution of a fundraising event for approximately one hundred people, for which I independently obtained donors, sponsorships, permits, participants and volunteers

- Also played a critical role assisting the Director of their community sports league of over a thousand participants scheduling games, playoffs, managing accounts-receivable, trouble-shooting and acting as a liaison between management and players
- Built the trust and confidence of co-workers and senior executives at the organization ultimately securing myself a job offer for next summer's internship program

SENIOR UMPIRE 2013-PRESENT

Baseball Ontario

- · Currently entering my 7<sup>th</sup> year of umpiring highly skilled and competitive games
- I have established myself as a well-respected senior umpire among my peers, players, managers and training staff, all of whom I have developed positive working relationships with, through both favourable and challenging conditions
- Umpiring has taught me a tremendous amount about working as a member of a team, conflict resolution and diffusion, making quick decisions on my feet, and taking responsibility for mistakes when necessary

#### CO-PRESIDENT MUN DELEGATION

2016-2017

Tanenbaum CHAT High School

- · Managed, directed and supervised close to fifty delegates at numerous conferences
- · Organized a mock competition, specifically to adequately prepare our delegates for successful conferences
- · Selected as part of a delegation of students taken to New York to participate in a conference
- · Recipient of a Best Delegate and Honourable Mention awards

#### RESEARCH ASSISTANT

2014-2016

Honest Reporting Canada

- Worked as a research analyst summer intern for Honest Reporting Canada, a grassroots news organization that seeks accuracy in reporting
- · Significantly developed and honed my research, communicating, and writing skills
- · Successfully published articles and corrections in Canadian newspapers
- · Formulated a central database of donors that were contacted for successful donations

### **WAREHOUSE & SALES ASSISTANT**

2014-2016

Carrol Boyes Functional Art Canada

- · Worked as a sales representative of the company, selling giftware at tradeshows and charity fundraisers
- · Worked in a warehouse environment packing boxes and taking inventory
- · Delivered shipments around the city to various customers and businesses on a tight schedule
- Worked many consecutive hours lifting heavy boxes, organizing stock, and transporting goods to trade shows
- · Learned the basics of working with Excel databases and developed critical customer-service skills

# References Available Upon Request

To whom it may concern,

Thank you very much for considering my application to be a classroom teacher in Cape Town for three weeks, from May 13<sup>th</sup>-May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2019. I have been fortunate to travel to Cape Town in in the past and have seen first-hand some of the difficulties in the education system and the adverse effects they have on students, society, and future generations.

At University, I have extensively studied the history of American civil rights with regard to access to adequate education for visible-minorities and disadvantaged groups. This experience has been eye-opening and has left me motivated to dedicate my time helping disadvantaged students in Cape Town earn a better education in order to secure a brighter future.

In the past, I have worked with children as a summer camp counsellor, youth leader, coach, and referee. In addition, I have worked as a team-member in the area of communications for non-profit organizations that promote human rights and education for the vulnerable members of society. These experiences have been incredibly humbling and have taught me a tremendous amount about effective education, positive leadership, and unleashing the potential every student possesses. I look forward to applying skills cultivated through prior work experience to the classroom in Cape Town.

Thank you,

Josh Benjamin

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