VIHA UMASHANKAR

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EDUCATION

University of California: Berkeley

Bachelor of Science in Environmental Economics & Policy and Society & Environment Minor in Sustainability

• Cumulative GPA: 3.0/4.0

Expected Graduation: May 2025UC Berkeley Changemakers

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

Co-President: Indian Students Association (May 2023 - Present)

- Promote sustainable practices through the organization, and research sustainable/zero-waste practices for the club. Promote diversity, equity, and inclusion through club practices and events, to ensure equitable representation across our programming.
- Manage and budget an annual cash flow of \$100,000+ received through grants, ticket sales, university funding, and corporate sponsorships.
- Manage a team of 30+ undergraduate students to plan and host small and large-scale cultural events for anywhere between 50 to 3000 UC Berkeley students.
- Facilitate weekly meetings with all organization members to discuss action items and deliverables.

Marketing Director: Indian Students Association (August 2022 - May 2023)

- Initiated social media collaborations with larger accounts such as UC Berkeley's official Instagram, CalTV, and UC Berkeley Life and received 7,000+ likes, 100,000+ views, and 500,000+ impressions.
- Built an active social media presence of 2,500+ followers on Instagram, averaging over 10,000 impressions per month.
- Managed all communications via social media (50+ messages and tickets per month) and the mailing list of 100+ recipients on MailChimp
- Managed a team of 5 graphic designers, photographers, and web designers and worked closely to create an efficient and effective workflow.
- Created 1000+ graphics using Adobe Illustrator, Adobe Photoshop, Canva, and Figma to post across Instagram, Facebook, LinkedIn, and Discord.

Visitors Services Assistant: Berkeley Art Museum and Pacific Film Archive (September 2021 - Present)

- Process museum admission, BAMPFA memberships, film tickets, and BAMPFA Store merchandise for 1,000+ patrons a month.
- Serve as the public face of the UC Berkeley Art Museum and Pacific Film Archive (BAMPFA).
- Greet and interact with museum visitors, answer phones, and transfer calls, and stay abreast of current and upcoming BAMPFA programming.

Creative Services Design and Media Intern: Change Healthcare (July 2022 - December 2022)

- Helped drive business objectives by assisting with designing 100+ campaign assets such as brochures, infographics, webinars, videos, and other marketing assets using Adobe InDesign and Illustrator.
- Worked with a team of 20+ graphic designers to create B2B and B2C materials for the company's website, tradeshows, podcasts, social media platforms, and more.

ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCES

- Media and Photography Assistant for Curry CravingsTM LLC (August 2015 Present)
- Sales Associate: Paper Source (May 2023 Present)
- Sales and Marketing Intern: Pickle Juice Financial Services (May 2022 August 2022)
- Marketing Intern: Vicarious PR (May 2021 August 2021)
- Early Learning & Grading Assistant: Kumon Tutoring (January 2021 August 2021)
- Philanthropy and Finance Intern: Magic Bus India (May 2020 August 2021)

AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS

- Georgia Science and Engineering Fair Awards (2016-2021)
- ASM Material Science Foundation Award (2021)
- ChangeMakers Rising Innovator Award (2021)
- Ricoh Sustainability Development Award (2019)

ASSOCIATIONS & GROUPS

- Asian American Journalists Association Atlanta and San Francisco Chapters (AAJA)
- Berkeley Energy & Resource Collective for Undergraduates (BERCU)
- Berkeley Environmental Economics and Policy Students (BEEPS)
- Indian Students Association at Berkeley (ISA)
- Students of Color Environmental Collective at Berkeley (SCEC)

REFERENCES

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