



TOR AANESTAD

Dual degree: MPA with Columbia School of International and Public Affairs (SIPA)

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Nationality: Norwegian

Education:

1/2009 – 6/2013

Brigham Young University, UT, United States

BS Economics and BA Political Science

Languages:

English – Native speaker

Norwegian – Native speaker

Greek – Fluent

Russian – Advanced

French – Intermediate

IT Skills:

Stata – Advanced

ArcMap/ArcGIS – Intermediate

Microsoft Office – Advanced

Key academic interests:

Economics

Russian Affairs

International Trade

Political Science

Diplomacy

Key extra-curricular interests:

Reading

Backpacking

Football

Film

Automobiles

Work Experience:

3/2011 – 8/2011

Doctors Without Borders

Recruiter/fundraiser

Oslo, Norway

Visited ten universities recruiting nurses and doctors to fieldwork winter 2014. I secured future donations to the organisation to the amount of £30,000 summer 2011. I improved my communication skills for both individual settings as well as for large groups.

6/2013 – 1/2014

Royal Norwegian Embassy in

Washington, DC

Trainee at the Political Section

Washington, DC

I prepared for and organised high level visits for several Norwegian delegations. I primarily worked with developing connections with our Norwegian partners in Washington, including the State Department.

12/2006 – 12/2008

The Church of Jesus Christ of

Latter-day Saints

Mormon missionary

Athens, Greece

Being a missionary representing the “quintessential American religion” in Greece for two years made me very thick-skinned. Volunteering full-time for a cause in which I believed imbued in me the spirit of an idealist, essential for a keen student of the “dismal science.” I worked for eight different organisations, ranging from rescuing sea turtles to arranging a “Green Design Festival”. I also learned to speak Greek fluently.