



## TOR AANESTAD

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

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**Nationality:** Norwegian

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### 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

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### 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.