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Education

Wesleyan University – Bachelor of Arts – International Relations

The Heiden Institute - Machon Shlomo – Torah, Talmud, Ethics, & Philosophy

Brandeis University – Social Impact MBA and MA in Conflict Resolution & Coexistence

Northeastern University – Certificate – Entrepreneurship

Academy of Art University – Certificate – 2D Animation

Tech2Peace – Certificate – Python/Blockchain/Cross-Cultural Conflict Dialogue

Tel Aviv University – Exchange – Middle East Studies

Middletown, CT Spring 2020

Har Nof, Jerusalem Fall 2021-Spring 2022

Waltham, MA Fall 2020

Boston, MA Summer 2021

San Francisco, CA Spring 2021

Jerusalem, Israel Spring 2021

Tel Aviv, Israel Fall 2016

Relevant Work Experience

Olive Branch Pictures Inc – CEO

A representational, ideologically balanced comics & animation studio for conflict mediation and edutainment.

Fmr. South African Ambassador to Palestinian Authority Raf Gangat Book Tour GoFundMe – Manager January 2021-May 2021

SZZL – Strategist

A democratic ideation platform for collaboration, gamifying the development pipeline with legal assistance and investor support.

Jerusalem Media Group – Production Assistant

A multimedia production company that produces content and events for Israel's top artists, companies, and organizations.

36th Annual Jerusalem International Film Festival – Jury Assistant

Assisted the Judges of the film competition with scheduling and logistics.

Falling with Rex – Assistant Producer

Animated story of friendship between an Israeli boy and a Palestinian girl in 1930s Jerusalem. Assisted fundraising, casting & publicity.

Border Community Alliance – Student Ambassador

Learned from with and volunteered for organizational leaders and innovators at the forefront of the US-Mexican Border Crisis.

HIAS – An international refugee resettlement organization est. 1881 – Paralegal

Provided logistical support, developed outreach strategies, and conducted research to assist pro-bono legal aid.

Moshe Dayan Center for Middle Eastern and African Studies – Research Assistant

Provided outreach support and wrote about current events affecting the Middle East and Northern Africa in weekly newsletter.

Jerusalem, Israel October 2018-Present

Hollywood, California May 2020-May 2021

Jerusalem, Israel June 2019-August 2019

Jerusalem, Israel July 2019

Tel Aviv, Israel September 2018-August 2019

Nogales, Mexico/Arizona June-August 2017

Tel Aviv, Israel January 2017-April 2017

Tel Aviv, Israel October 2016-March 2017

Fellowships/Scholarships

50:50 Startups 2021 Accelerator Fellow

A global entrepreneurship program that brings together Israeli Arabs, Jews, and Palestinians to co-develop equally owned tech startups.

Watson Institute Social Enterprise Accelerator Luff Peace Fellow

Brandeis University National Science Foundation I-Corp Fellowship

A program bringing business students together with technology researchers to develop technologies into products and companies.

Brandeis University MA/MBA 60% Tuition Merit Scholarship

Ballard Spahr LLP Academy for Student Entrepreneurs Fellowship

Social Capital Markets Social Entrepreneur Scholarship

Jerusalem January 2021-September 2021

Boulder, CO August 2020-January 2021

Waltham, MA February 2021-May 2021

Waltham, MA Fall 2020-Spring 2023

Philadelphia, PA September 2019-May 2020

San Francisco, CA October 2019

Awards

Disrupt Anti-Semitism Incubator and Grant Winner

Patricelli Center for Social Entrepreneurship Seed Grant Awardee

Connecticut Student Entrepreneurship Awards 2019 Winner & National Finalist

Brandeis Innovation SparkTank Award

Ciright Dragon Startup Competition Business Services Award

University Startup World Cup Finalist

American Jewish Committee November 2021

Wesleyan University March 2021

Entrepreneurs' Organization December 2019

Brandeis University February 2019

Drexel University March 2019

Venture Cup Denmark August 2019

Skills

Hebrew (Conversational) | Arabic: MSA (Intermediate), Levantine (Conversational) | German (Conversational) | Startup Development | Project Management | Fundraising | Video Production | Screenwriting | Academic Writing | Grant Writing | Accounting | Storyboarding | Adobe Creative Suite | Data Analysis (SAS) | Marketing | Emotional Intelligence | Animation | Company Culture

Volunteer/Extracurricular

Korea Refugee Project – Volunteer

Taught English to Syrian refugee children Za'atari Taekwondo Academy

Project Harmony Summer Camp for Arabs & Israelis – Camp Counselor

Served as a Counselor for Arab and Israeli children and organized Film and Graphic Novel Workshops.

Gabriel Project Mumbai – Volunteer

Taught English and tangible life skills to children living in the Kalva Slum of Mumbai, India.

AEPI Fraternity – Philanthropy Chairman

Wesleyan Refugee Project - Volunteer

Wesleyan Student Government – Class Representative

Za'atari Refugee Camp, Jordan March 2017-May 2017

Jerusalem, Israel June-August 2018

Mumbai, India May 2016-August 2016

Tel Aviv University & Brandeis University October 2016-December 2017

Wesleyan University September 2014-May 2016

Wesleyan University Fall 2014