# MARCELL A. BROWN

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#### **EDUCATION**

## Colorado College, Colorado Springs, CO

Bachelor of Arts in International Political Economy

May 2016

Focused studies on political, economic, environmental issues of our rapidly changing world

Relevant Coursework: Political Dynamics (taken in South Africa), Comparative Politics of Latin America,

Economics of International Trade, Advanced Chinese Language Tutorial

G.P.A. in Major: 3.56

Academic Honors: Dean's List 2014-2015; National Merit Scholar

# The University of Cape Town, Cape Town, South Africa

Institute for the International Education of Students

Spring 2015

Engaged in intensive travel and study of South Africa's political and economic struggles, particularly in the post-apartheid era. Also studied the global impact of African literature, music, and culture.

#### RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

## Writing and Research

- Honed writing skills under Block Plan, an academic system that compresses a semester into 3.5 weeks: a very intense, challenging, deadline-oriented academic system that develops writing efficiency and effectiveness
- Developed extensive researching skills: can glean information from traditional library sources, government documents, personal interviews, and online sources
- Produced several considerable and lauded research papers, including *Tenuous Democracy in the Dominican Republic* and *Poland and EU Membership*

## Leadership

- Appointed first chair guitar and group leader in Colorado College's Classical Guitar Ensemble
- Held senior positions in several student organizations, including the ASSC (Asian Studies Student Council), the Ski and Snowboard Club, and the Skateboarders Union
- Formed and led popular student band that headlined at college-wide music festival and local venues
- Captained numerous intramural teams to championships
- Served as primary assistant in surgical outreach mission to Thailand

# **WORK HISTORY**

# **Organizational Assistant**

The Center for Global Community

Palo Alto, CA

Summer 2015

- Assisted with the coordination of events and meetings, including logistics, display set-up, and note taking
- Facilitated community discussions regarding environmental, social, economic, and political policy

# Waiter, Cashier, Host

Chevy's Restaurants, Inc.

Los Gatos, CA

Summer 2014

- Helped open a new and bustling restaurant with over fifty tables
- Learned the business from the ground up, including every aspect from service to management

#### **On-Site Construction Assistant**

Walters and Wolf Co

Mountain View, CA

Summer 2013

- Served as liaison between management and workers
- Learned to appreciate the value of a technical, skill-based education

### **SKILLS**

Language: Proficient in Mandarin Chinese, acquired in very short time on the Block Plan; Basic Spanish

**Computer:** Fundamental skills in word processing, researching, and presentation using Microsoft Word, PowerPoint and Excel; Competent with various social media platforms including Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter