Carina Clayton

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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Detail-oriented communicator transitioning into editorial work, with a strong foundation in content creation, editing, and strategic communication. Proven experience in crossfunctional support, administrative coordination, and streamlining workflows for greater efficiency. Known for clear, concise writing, strong organizational skills, and a deep passion for literature. Brings a collaborative mindset and creative problem-solving approach to every project.

EDITORIAL & COMMUNICATION SKILLS

- Copyediting & Proofreading
- Content Writing & Development
- Digital Communication Tools (MS Office, Google Workspace, CMS)
- Internal & External Communications
- Deadline Management
- Strategic Communications

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Student Employment Coordinator

Cornell University, Ithaca, NY | April 2018 - Present

- Wrote and edited internal communications and training materials for student employment offices and university partners, ensuring clarity, tone, and consistency
- Developed content and delivered presentations for New Student Orientation for clarity and engagement
- Reviewed and assessed job postings for consistency, equity, and compliance
- Streamlined document management systems, improving access to confidential employee files
- Managed cross-team communication to ensure payroll accuracy and compliance with Department of Education guidelines
- Counseled students and staff on employment procedures and resolved grievances with diplomacy

Financial Aid Services Clerk

Cornell University, Ithaca, NY | Nov 2013 - April 2018

- Provided high-level customer support and processed financial aid documentation
- Updated and certified private loans, scholarships, and student employment forms
- Created and maintained communication templates for student services

Server

Miranda Lambert's Casa Rosa, Nashville, TN | March 2023 - Present

- Delivered exceptional customer service and trained new staff
- Managed point-of-sale transactions and product recommendations with a focus on hospitality

RELEVANT PROJECTS

Writing Portfolio (Academic & Career Projects)

- Researched and authored analytical papers on English literature at SUNY Cortland
- Created public speaking scripts focused on audience engagement and clarity
- Edited campus communications, Cornell Student Employment website, and formal/informal training materials for grammar, structure, and tone

EDUCATION

State University of New York College at Cortland

Bachelor of Arts in English, Minor in Communications | Jan 2014 - May 2016

- Focus: Public Relations
- National Honor Society of Leadership and Success

Tompkins Cortland Community College

Associate of Science, Criminal Justice | Jan 2018 - May 2019

Onondaga Community College

Associate of Arts, Humanities | Aug 2011 – Aug 2013

- Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society

CERTIFICATIONS

- Editor in Book Publishing, Elvtr
- Emotional Intelligence, Cornell University
- Supervisor Development Program, Cornell University

TECHNICAL PROFICIENCIES

Microsoft Office Suite • Google Workspace • Workday • Zoom

ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE

Leadership & Community Engagement - Director, Interact Community Service Club | Varsity Captain, Volleyball & Softball | Coach's Award Recipient