

Candace Clark

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PROFESSIONAL PROFILE:

- Graduate student with strong interests in Integrative Development, Community Advocacy and Public Policy
- Demonstrated expertise in creating new agricultural enterprises
- Cross cultural living, studying and work experience

EDUCATION:

United Nations mandated University for Peace and American University
Dual Degree in M.A. Natural Resources and Sustainable Development
Tuskegee University
B.S - Agricultural Business; Minor: International Relations
The Piney Woods School

Costa Rica / Washington, DC
Aug 2017- Present
Tuskegee, AL
Aug 2013- May 2017
Piney Woods, MS

RELATED EXPERIENCE:

Dreaming Out Loud, Inc.

Fannie Lou Hamer Fellowship - Community Outreach, Advocacy, and Policy

Inaugural fellow; Developed processes and procedures for community outreach; Created Outreach toolbox; Created day-long training on community outreach; Drafted and edited shared community kitchen business plan; Attended DC Food Policy Council; Initiated creation of East of the River Food Security Network

Washington, DC, Nov 2017– Dec 2017

ICRPS – International Comparative Rural Policy Studies

Awarded by Tuskegee University, a 13-day intensive course on rurality, agriculture, and environment were exchanged to develop more equitable policy; Collaborated with 30 graduate students and 20 faculty members from international universities; Conducted rural policy comparative analysis between Catalonia and U.S. Black Belt; The theme for 2017 was “Rural-Urban Linkages Facing Global Challenges” supplemented with hands on observations and group work

Barcelona, Spain Jun - July 2017

Carver Integrative Sustainability Center Summer Experience

Production Agricultural Worker

Organized and managed daily farm operations: sorting, transplanting, planting, harvesting etc.; Met and interacted with local farmer’s market customers; Kept inventory and marketing sales at markets; Helped develop veggie crate program; Sales preparation; Marketing to local and regional restaurants, grocery stores, and food hubs.

Tuskegee, AL, May 2017- Aug 2017

Yerba Buena Farm

Participated in 3-week immersive sustainable beekeeping course; Managed 30 top bar hives; Processed wax into lotions, balms and crèmes; Harvested propolis; Created apiary activity log; Established first student-run, campus-community apiary at Tuskegee University

St. Mary, Jamaica, Dec - Jan 2016

Tuskegee University

Interviewed 3 local farmers; Curated interview questions; Performed qualitative research and comparative analysis of sustainable practices in Arusha, Tanzania; Promoted agricultural opportunities to members of two local orphanages

Tanzania, Africa, Jan 2015

ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE:

USDA-APHIS-Wildlife Services/ International Services, Student Trainee

Edited 3 USDA directives; Developed 2 cross-generation presentations; assisted with 2 FOIA requests; Nutria Eradication Project (MD) & Airport Bird Strike Patrol; Meeting & planning support; Assistance to professional & managerial staff; Assembled technical materials & program data for surveys, reports, presentations, and responses for management; Helped to prepare and coordinate approx. 7 international capacity building workshops; Managed approx. 1,000 employee profiles

Riverdale, MD, May 2014- May 2017

USDA-APHIS-Wildlife Services, Field Technician

Wildlife damage management; Goose harassment & round up; Tracking, baiting, & feral swine disease sampling; Preparing baits & constructs, devices, lures, traps; Threatened & Endangered species protection; Cormorant removal; Avian Influenza disease sampling in wild birds during 2015 epidemic

Harrisburg, PA, May 2015 – Aug 2015

Minorities in Agriculture, Natural Resources & Related Sciences

Strengthened & maintained cross cultural relationships; Obtained new sustainable techniques; Helped manage 8 students abroad; Mentored 4 first time abroad students; Demonstrated optimism and problem solving

Costa Rica, SA, May 2014

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SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS

- National Black Farmers Assoc. Scholarship Recipient Nov 2016
- Tuskegee University: Most Transformative Female Award Feb 2015
- Tuskegee University Honor roll Aug 2013- May 2017
- USDA 1890 Scholar Aug 2013- May 2017
- Educational Excellence and Global Competence April 11, 2012

LEADERSHIP & ACTIVITIES

- Tuskegee University Beekeeping Club, Founder & Community Liaison Aug 2016- May 2017
- Black Belt Deliberative Dialogue Group, President Aug 2015- May 2017
- MANRRS, Community Service Chair Aug 2015- May 2017
- TULIP Community Garden Aug 2015- May 2017
- ‘Dream Marches On’ Tuskegee Civil Rights, Tour Coordinator & Leader Mar 2015
- Tuskegee University, Freshman Orientation Leader Aug 2014- May 2015
- BET College Tour Representative Oct 2014
- Radio Personality - Piney 104.3 Station Aug 2011- May 2013