Professional Portfolio

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Throughout my entire life, change has been a constant theme, due to my father's employment I relocated constantly (on average every 3 years) living in Venezuela, Colombia, El Salvador, Ecuador and three difference cities in Mexico with my final relocation occurring when I attended college in Springfield, Missouri. This was an incredibly powerful experience because it made me a citizen of the world; through this I gained an incredibly open and diverse way of thinking. I've met countless people and lived through a wide array of experiences that contribute to who I have become today

As soon as I arrived in Drury University I wanted to become involved wit the campus buzz; as a freshman I joined Drury's Student Government Association as Senator apart from taking a leadership position within the International Student Association. When I moved on to become a sophomore I became a Campus News blogger for my university's communication department with an intended audience of prospective international students. Student Government also presented itself as a greater challenge as I was elected Vice President of Inclusion. I also became President of the Drury chapter of College Democrats, a position that allowed me to meet local candidates, organize voting registration rally's and engage my campus on a wide array of political topics. My third year I joined the staff the student run newspaper, *The Mirror*, as its Campus News Editor, and was recruited to join Lambda Chi Alpha, an international fraternity. My last year in Drury saw me taken on several leadership roles within my fraternity such as the Social Chairman and Alumni Chair, however my biggest involvement continued to be my Vice Presidency of Inclusion and my new position at *The Mirror*, Managing Editor, eventually becoming Editor in Chief for my final semester at Drury University.

All these involvement opportunities have helped me build a strong array of skills, perfectly suited for the modern day work place. I am both a team player and a leader, easily adapting to whatever role is required of me. I seek to work for a news outlet with a strong focus on a digital audience and valuing social media connectivity. Preferably working within the Political department considering my strong knowledge in this area.