

KATE O'BRIEN

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PROFESSIONAL WORK EXPERIENCE

Academic Advisor Saint Louis University April 2013 - Present
College for Public Health & Social Justice

- Meet with 300+ students each semester to ensure academic progress toward degrees
- Clarify SLU processes and procedures to SLU students, families, faculty, and staff
- Present to 60 incoming SLU students in summer to discuss College and University expectations
- Pursue professional development connecting with the advising community through conferences

Special Assistant to the Vice President Missouri State University June 2012 - March 2013
Office of Student Affairs

- Developed campus-wide USA Today Readership Program Survey
- Researched engagement, gender policies, building structures, and web services at institutions
- Compiled a history of the University's mission in Public Affairs
- Participated in the Summit on Tobacco Policy and supported tobacco-free efforts on campus

Interim Program Coordinator Missouri State University May 2010 - June 2012
TRiO Upward Bound

- Managed a staff of 25 consisting of graduate assistants, tutors, counselors and teachers
- Advised 50 participants on post-secondary preparation and tracked post-secondary progress
- Arranged and supervised 8 monthly meetings and 6-week summer programs on campus
- Recruited prospective applicants through presentations to students, teachers, and parents

Graduate Assistant Missouri State University August 2008 - May 2010
TRiO Student Support Services

- Hired 22 Missouri State students to serve as mentors to first-generation campus visitors
- Provided support and advice to program participants
- Scheduled 20 presentations and compiled students' and presenters' feedback in spreadsheets
- Utilized Banner system, Student Access, and Microsoft PowerPoint, Word, and Excel Programs

EDUCATION

Saint Louis University Saint Louis, MO Degree to be awarded May 2018
Higher Education Administration, Ph.D.
GPA: 3.94/4.00

Missouri State University Springfield, MO Degree awarded May 2010
Student Affairs, M.S.
GPA: 3.75/4.00

Truman State University Kirksville, MO Degree awarded May 2008
Public Communication, B.A.; Business Administration Minor
GPA: 3.17/4.00

COMMITTEE WORK

Academic Advising Process, Policy & Procedure Committee
Co-Chair
Member/Minute-Taker

Saint Louis University
2017-2018
2016-2017

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

Member
National Academic Advising Association

Saint Louis University

January 2014 - Present

PUBLISHED WORK

Lucas, T., Linsenmeyer, W., & O'Brien, K. (2015) Crisis management: An assessment of college and university president communications in relation to the Darren Wilson grand jury decision. *The Western Journal of Black Studies*, 39(4), 300-311.