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EDUCATION

Edd University of Southern California, Rossier School of Education, 2019
MSW California State University, Long Beach, School of Social Work, 2016
Pupil Service Personal Credential, 2017
BSW California State University, Long Beach, School of Social Work, 2012

HONORS AND RECOGNITION

Best Selling Author of “*They Say We Don’t*”
NBC Spotlight: *Night-Night Bedtime Stories by Black Men*
Voyage LA Spotlight – Meet Keyon Anderson of Always Progressing in Long Beach
Long Beach College Promise Ambassador
Long Beach Press Telegram – Long Beach Summit Turn Boys From Dreamer to Achiever
InsideLB – Student Defies Odds, Demonstrates Success As Limitless
Graduate Student of The Year – California State University, Long Beach
Outstanding Student Citation – Long Beach School of Social Work faculty nomination

UNIVERSITY TEACHING EXPERIENCE

8/20- Present **California State University Long Beach, School of Social Work**
Full-Time Lecturer
SW 400: Generalist SW Practice with Groups (BSW)
SW 503A: Human Behavior & the Social Environment (MSW)
SW 505: Foundation Social Policy (MSW)

1/19 to 8/20 **California State University Long Beach, School of Social Work**
Part-Time Lecturer
SW 441: Generalist Social Work Practice with Communities and Institutions (BSW)
SW 503A: Human Behavior & the Social Environment (MSW)
SW 605: Advanced Policy Seminar: Child and Family Well-being (MSW)
SW500: Foundations SW Practice Skills Intervention (MSW)
SW 605: Social Policy Analysis Advanced Practice (MSW)
SW643: Practice Child Welfare Services (MSW)

1/19-7/20 **University of Southern California, Rossier School of Education**
Guest Lecturer
EDUC 520: College and Career Readiness 1
EDUC 600: College and Career Readiness 2

INSTITUTIONAL SERVICE

California State University, Long Beach, Department of Social Work

- Alternative Learning Champion – assisted the College of Health and Human Services in transitioning to alternative modes of instruction, while providing one-to-one peer support.
- Co-chair of BASW/Foundation Practice Committee – work with committee to revise foundational course to include Critical Race Theory.
- Graduate Student Advisor

PUBLICATIONS

- Anderson, K. (In progress) *Courageous conversation with African American males about navigating K-12*.
- Anderson, K. (In progress) *Connecting to educators: humanizing African American/black students experiences*.
- Anderson, K. (In Progress) *Increasing access to higher education through understanding basic money concepts*.
- Anderson, K. & Korgie, J. (In Progress) *Accidental leadership, intentional departure* .
- Anderson, K. (2018) *Moments Either Define or Contribute to Who You Are* . Self-Published.

Children's Book Series

- Anderson, K. (Pending) *The Movement*. Self-Published
- Anderson, K. (Pending) *The Movement V2*. Self-Published
- Anderson, K. (Pending) *Homes*. Self-Published
- Anderson, K. (Pending) *Homes V2*. Self-Published
- Anderson, K. (2021) *Casper*. Self-Published
- Anderson, K. (2021) *Casper V2*. Self-Published
- Anderson, K. (Pending) *Justice X*. Self-Published
- Anderson, K. (Pending) *Justice X. V2* Self-Published
- Anderson, K. (2020) *PRIDE*. Self-Published
- Anderson, K. (2020) *PRIDE V2*. Self-Published
- Anderson, K. (2020) *Journey*. Self-Published
- Anderson, K. (2020) *Journey V2*. Self-Published
- Anderson, K. (2020) *Prosper*. Self-Published
- Anderson, K. (2020) *Prosper V2* . Self-Published
- Anderson, K. (2020) *Kasha Money Rules*. Self-Published
- Anderson, K. (2020) *Kash Money Rules*. Self-Published
- Anderson, K. (2019). *They Say We Don't*. Self-Published
- Anderson, K. (2019). *They Say We Don't Vol*). Self-Published

Academic Publications

- Anderson, K. (2019). African American males' anti-deficit achievement narratives of their college preparation experiences navigating through the Los Angeles county K-12 public education system into college. (University of Southern California. Dissertation, Rosier School of Education).
- Anderson, K. (2015). Fostering academic and familial resiliency in African American middle school students: A grant proposal. (California State University, Long Beach. Master's Thesis Collection, School of Social Work).

PROFESSIONAL WORK EXPERIENCE

9/13 to Present

Always Progressing Inc. President and CEO

- Promote literacy through engagement for diverse student groups and community organizations.
- Facilitate workshops and trainings centered on teaching students how to capitalize on their personal strengths to create success.
- Provide trainings for staff on multiculturalism and from an equitable lens to better support diverse students.
- Manage the Always Progressing Inc. Scholarship, aimed at supporting inner city students in being able to have access to postsecondary education.
- Provide mentorship for young professionals in developing entrepreneurship skills.
- Manage the distribution and sales of apparel and book publications.
- Serves as a brand ambassador for Always Progressing Inc.
- Provide general oversight of all Always Progressing Inc. endeavors to all stakeholders

8/17 to 1/19

California Student Opportunity and Access Program (Cal SOAP)

Director

- Managed and facilitated daily operations to carry out organizations primary mission of serving first generation students from low income, and low resourced communities.
- Ensured oversight of Cal-SOAP services, programs and events designed to raise awareness of postsecondary options and increase knowledge of financial aid opportunities.
- Trained staff on all programs designed to support and assist students to pursue postsecondary options.
- Established working relationships with stakeholders who contributed to bringing the Cal SOAP mission to fruition i.e. School Districts, California Student Aid Commission (CSAC), Local Government, and Colleges/Universities.
- Served as a liaison between CSAC, the governing board, and the fiscal agent through open lines of communication in order to better serve students.
- Coordinated and prepared content for governing board meetings.
- Ensured compliance of operational and fiscal regulations through tracking funding, and keeping accurate records.
- Collaborated with other college access programs in an effort to maximize services and minimize duplication of services.
- Conducted staff development training with an emphasis on new trends and best practices to serve students unique needs.

10/13 to 9/17

California Student Opportunity and Access Program (Cal SOAP)

Assistant Director

- Supervised 34 staff members in 19 schools within the cities of Long Beach, Compton, Whittier and Lynwood and community locations.
- Assisted the Director in generating program and budget reports to be sent to the CSAC.
- Screened and interviewed new hires to be placed within Long Beach, Compton, Whittier and Lynwood School Districts as College Advisors and Academic Coaches.
- Conducted trainings on college admission, financial aid, career planning and best practices for working with students.
- Partnered with local organizations for special programing (i.e. Cash for College, College Preparatory Summer Camp, (Glow) Financial Literacy Programing and Students of Color Initiatives).
- Linked students, staff and community members to college related resources while staying up to date on the latest college admission information.
- Demonstrated showmanship by stepping into open roles (i.e. one-on-one advising with student, giving classroom presentations, and leading campus tours).
- Sought out additional funding and developed relationships with potential funders.

10/11 to 9/13

California Student Opportunity and Access Program (Cal SOAP)

Fieldwork Supervisor/Liaison

- Supported 24 staff members in 17 schools with Long Beach, Compton, Whittier and Lynwood and 2 community locations.
- Trained staff in high school completion curriculum, college admission requirements and financial aid.
- Formulated monthly staff surveys aimed at tracking best practices for working with low-income first-generation students.
- Guided staff in meeting program goals through mentorship.
- Bridged students, staff and community members to college access resources.
- Provided motivational presentations to staff and students, as well as, led workshops.
- Directed staff members through crisis management with students.

9/09 to 9/11

**California Student Opportunity and Access Program (Cal SOAP)
College Peer Adviser**

- Provided college counseling for high school students ranging in topics such as: Financial Aid, Testing registrations (SAT/ACT), A-G College requirements and College Applications mainly within the Compton Unified School District.
- Organized college campus tours of local UC's, CSU's, private/independent and community colleges.
- Prepared students for later educational experiences by encouraging them to explore learning opportunities and to persevere with challenging tasks.
- Counseled students regarding educational issues, such as course and program selection, class scheduling and registration, school adjustment, study habits, and career planning.

EDUCATION INTERNSHIPS

8/15 to 8/16

**East Whittier City School District
School Social Work Intern**

- Conducted Bio/Psycho/Social Assessments.
- Presented on Bully, Sexual Harassment and Cyber Bullying Prevention.
- Facilitated support groups ranging in topics from Family Issues, Self-esteem, Anger-Management and Appreciate Social Skills.
- Developed behavior plans and set client goals.
- Crisis management including suicide assessment, developing safety plans and referring for services.
- Participated in IEP, SST and SURB Meeting.

8/14 to 5/15

**Operation Jump Start
Counseling Intern**

- Conducted Bio/Psycho/Social Assessments.
- Coordinated and facilitate 14-week support group focused on college preparation and success. Topic included: College Applications, Time Management, Healthy Lifestyle, Financial Aid, Dating, and Campus Life.
- Improved Clinical/Therapeutic Intervention Skills through individual counseling.
- Provided current first-generation college student with guidance and support.
- Lead Collaborative/Support Meetings with agency staff and interns.
- Mediated and explain the college admission process to students and families.
- Assisted case managers with various tasks, projects and assignments.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Co-Director, Long Beach, South Bay, Inglewood Kappa Langua Mentoring Program

- Mentoring young men of color toward achieving success in academia and all subsequent endeavors.

Mentor, Operation Jump Start

- One-to-one mentor aimed at guidance a young black male in preparing for life and career.

Peer Business Mentoring & Financial Education, SYNCIS

- Assist underrepresented groups in access tools to build sustainable business and economic status to increase equity, diversity and inclusion in desired fields of practice.

Director of Education, Long Beach Community Resource Center

- Working with a committee of local business owners, residents and stakeholders to create/establish a community center focused on bridging gaps in access for African American/Black residents of Long Beach.

COMMUNITY SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

Covered topics related youth and peer professional development (e.g., increasing student social emotional skills, self-esteem, academic performance, while overcoming challenges and increasing access to higher education through exposure).

Educational

- Proverbs Financial Group (2020)
- The Sojourner Group (2020)
- California State University Fullerton Males Success Center (2018-2019)
- Long Beach Cal Promise Ambassador (2016-2019)
- Los Angeles Harbor College (2018)
- Cal SOAP FAFSA Annual Kickoff event (2015-2018)

Motivational

- Night Night Bedtime Stories by Black Men (2020-2021)
- Long Beach Unified Male Academies (2016-2020)
- Los Angle Main Library (2015-2019)
- Always Up (2018)
- Roosevelt Middle School Commencement Speaker (2017)
- Analee Elementary Commencement Speaker (2017)
- CSULB and Long Beach College Promise at Reach Higher White House Summit (2016)
- Marshal Middle School (2016)
- Freedom School (2015-2017)
- Operation Jump Start (2013-2016)
- Cabrillo High School (2013-2016)
- Poly High School (2013)
- Friendship Family Church (2012-2016)

EDUCATIONAL CONSULTING

- College Counseling Specialist, College Bridge, 6/20 to Present
 - College Counseling Specialist, College Prep University, 2/20 to Present
 - College Counseling Specialist, UCEazy 9/19 to Present
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