# C I N D Y N G U Y E N

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# EDUCATION

MASTER OF ARTS Philosophy Morrissey College of Arts & Sciences Boston College | 2019 - 2023 Newton, Chestnut Hill, MA

#### BACHELOR OF ARTS Philosophy and Political Science

College of Holy Cross | 2015 Cum laude Worcester, MA

# AWARDS & HONORS

PRESIDENTIAL SERVICE AWARD College of the Holy Cross | 2015

SAINT IGNATIUS LOYOLA LEADERSHIP AWARD College of the Holy Cross | 2015

STEPHEN PHILLIPS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP Forest Foundation | 2012-2014

ANDREW W. MELLON FELLOWSHIP College of the Holy Cross | 2014

PHI SIGMA TAU Philosophy Honors Society

PI SIGMA ALPHA Political Science Honors Society

# LANGUAGE PROFICENCY

English Vietnamese (Native) French (Basic) Mandarin (Basic) Latin (Basic)

# PRESENTATIONS

**EXHIBIT DESIGNER** – *Reflecting on the 1994 Rwandan Genocide and Civil War* by *Christian Davenport and Darick Ritter,* Ann Arbor, MI, 2019

| FACILITATOR – International Education Conference, Intercultural Workshop, Ann Abor, MI, 2019

| EXHIBIT DESIGNER – Andrew Carnegie Mellon Conference: The Filmic and the Photographic: African Visual Cultures, "Seedtimes Exhibit" by Omar Badsha, Artist and Photographer, Ann Arbor, MI, 2018

| **PRESENTER** – Venturewell Annual Conference, *Entrepreneurship and Innovation in Higher Education From all Angles,* Washington D.C, 2017

| **PRESENTER** – Higher Education Consortium of Central MA, *Digitalizing Community* Engagement, Worcester, MA, 2015

| MODERATOR & PANELIST - Volunteerism: Making Things Better or Worse? Panel, Worcester, MA, 2015

| **PRESENTER** – Andrew Carnegie Mellon Colloquium, *Community Gardens: A Way to Foster Communal Relationships*, Worcester, MA, 2014

| **PRESENTER** – Non-Profit Careers Conference, *Case Study: Community Harvest Project,* Worcester, MA, 2013

# CONFERENCES ORGANIZED

#### | Mellon Conference: The Filmic and the Photographic: African Visual Cultures, 2018

Convened over twenty international artists, academic scholars, and filmmakers for a three-day conference

# | International Institute: Indigenous Languages: From Endangerment to Revitalization and Resilience, 2018

- Convened activists and scholars from across the world to discuss research and propose solutions to revitalize indigenous languages
- Collaborated with the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) and the UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues (UNPFII)
- Presented reporting on policy recommendations post-conference

# <u>SKILLS</u>

#### PROFESSIONAL

Public Speaking Legislative Advocacy Grant & Report Writing Community Engagement Stakeholder Collaboration Project Development & Mgt. Intercultural Training

### TECHNICAL

Adobe Creative Suite Microsoft Office Suite Programming Languages: HTML, CSS, & PHP Wordpress Expression Engine

#### **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Phenomenology Hermeneutics Aesthetics Philosophy of Arts Political and Social Philosophy Comparative Philosophy

# ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE AND LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

#### DONELAN OFFICE OF COMMUNITY BASED LEARNING (CBL)

Community Harvest Coordinator & Board Member | College of the Holy Cross | 2013-2015

#### HOLY CROSS FOOD NATION

Co-Founder & Co-Chair | College of the Holy Cross | 2014-2015

# STUDENT PROGRAM FOR URBAN DEVELOPMENT

Program Director | College of the Holy Cross | 2013-2015

#### PAX CHRISTI

Executive Board Member | College of the Holy Cross | 2013-2015

#### WORCESTER ELECTION COMMISSION Election Warden | 2014

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Co-Site Director | 2013

# BIG BROTHERS AND BIG SISTERS OF CENTRAL MA

Special Projects Intern | 2013

# | African Studies Center: The First Decade and Beyond Symposium, 2018

• A three-day symposium, featured panel: Presidential Panel on Higher Education in Africa

| International Institute: Arts of Islam Conference, 2017

| Holy Cross Philosophy Department Annual Colloquium, 2016

# RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

# | RESEARCH FELLOW

Mellon Summer Research in the Humanities – Worcester, MA, May 2014-Sep 2014

- Conducted and co-authored a research paper on community gardens' benefits in urban spaces, and its social significances
- Research paper resulted to the establishment of the first community garden on the College of the Holy Cross campus, 2016
- Conducted in-person interviews and hands-on field experience at local nonprofits (Regional Environmental Council); collaborated with the Holy Cross administrators (Environmental Task Force, Dining), and case study interviews with New England colleges (Yale, Bowdoin)
- Advisors: Andrea Borghini, Associate Professor, Philosophy, College of the Holy Cross and Dr. Michelle Sterk Barrett, Director, Donelan Office of Community-Based Learning, College of the Holy Cross

# HIGHER EDUCATION PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

#### ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Boston College Law School — Newton, MA | June 2019 – Present

Rappaport Center for Law and Public Policy

- Oversees Center's marketing campaigns
- Create content and news stories for webpage, center's blog, etc.
- Manages Center's budget and financial accounting
- Coordinates Rappaport Center Fellowship Program, Senior Fellows in Residence program, and the Jerome Lyle Rappaport Visiting Professors in Law and Public Policy
- Organizes the Distinguished Public Policy Lecture Series, forums, workshops, conferences, and student outreach events
- Facilitates community outreach workshops and activities

#### ACADEMIC PROGRAM SPECIALIST

**University of Michigan** — Ann Arbor, MI | July 2017- July 2019 International Institute, African Studies Center (ASC)

- Led ASC communications and strategic planning- annual newsletter, social media platforms, press releases, webpage design and development plans
- Grant writing and coordinated development efforts
- Managed the center's flagship program, U-M African Presidential Scholars Program (UMAPS)
- Oversaw ASC special projects and community outreach efforts with Detroit
- Advisor to the African Students Association, and the African Students Commission Board
- Advised undergraduate and graduate students on research in/on Africa
- Facilitated intercultural workshops and "town hall meetings"
- Managed ASC's \$1.5 million budget
- Coordinated and co-designed the implementation of new Yoruba language program and the African Studies sub-plan for M.A students

#### | PROJECT COORDINATOR

University of Michigan — Ann Arbor, MI | July 2016 – July 2017

Office of the Provost, Innovate Blue: Campus-wide Entrepreneurship Initiative (IB)

• Oversaw social media platforms and wrote weekly content

#### ED MARKEY SENATE CAMPAIGN

Field Coordinator | 2013

# ELIZABETH WARREN SENATE CAMPAIGN

Field Coordinator | 2012

#### WORCESTER COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT

Legal Assistant | 2011

- Developed new content and wrote stories for IB website and e-news
- Coordinated the publishing of IB's annual magazine
- Managed the student organization sponsorship application process; meeting and advising student organizations, tracking funding disbursements and evaluating outcomes
- Managed Innovate Blue's travel grants, internship grants, and scholarships
- Founded the Entrepreneurship and Innovation Commission, which convened the 30+ entrepreneurial student organizations for collaboration and professional development workshops
- Created a new rubric for student sponsorship

#### ACADEMIC ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

**College of the Holy Cross** — Worcester, MA | Jan 2016 – July 2017 Philosophy Department

- Recruited, hired, trained, and supervised work study students
- Advised students considering and applying for the departmental honors program, awards and scholarships
- Oversaw the Student Advisory Committee (SAC); SAC liaison, organized events and proctored course evaluations
- Designed and launched the first departmental newsletter
- Created the "Philosophy Buddies" program
- Coordinated departmental events: Phi Sigma Tau Induction Ceremony, Annual Department Dinner, Philosophy Colloquium Series, and others

# LEADERSHIP & ADVOCACY EXPERIENCE

#### CANDIDATE FOR WORCESTER CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT ONE

Worcester Municipal Government Election — Worcester, MA | Feb 2015 – Nov 2016

- Developed and implemented campaign strategy, emphasizing efforts on community engagement, such as door-to-door to over 4,000 resident's homes, interviewing with local news radio, newspapers and blogs, attending and faciliting neighborhood workshops, etc.
- Supervised campaign operations, database management, fundraising operations, and budget management
- Engaged in policy discussions with community groups including workers unions, educators, etc.
- Raised over \$7,000 through grassroots fundraising

#### | DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY RELATIONS

Park Spirit of Worcester, Inc. — Worcester, MA | May 2014 – Oct 2014

- Engaged and addressed the community's concerns by informing and researching on policies in regards to the maintenance and restoration of parks/ public spaces
- Assisted Friends of Newton Hill with researching and writing a grant for a Parcourse Fitness Circuit, which was implemented in Spring 2015
- Wrote and presented the 2015 strategic plan proposal at Park Spirit's board meeting and the City of Worcester Park Commission
- Assisted with the annual summer concert series in the parks
- Co-managed and initiated the "beautification" projects throughout the city in Summer 2014