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**Qualification Summary**

**Medical Anthropology / Cultural & Social Studies / Project & Resource Management**

Self-motivated and compassionate professional with experience leading and coordinating disability support and other personnel care services. Give lectures on disability culture based on work as an advocate for disabled students and parents, assisting disabled people to receive disability benefits, identifying and resolving systemic disability issues, and experience in disability and accessibility planning. Skilled in developing accessible technologies, such as the Radical Accessible Mapping Platform (RAMP), which was founded as an accessible mapping platform. Strong communication, interpersonal, research, presentation, and leadership skills with the capability to provide human behavior information, human advocacy, and referral services.

***Core competencies include:***

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| * Disability Advocacy * Systemic Resolution * Accessible Technology * User-centered Design * Interpersonal Skills / Relationship Building | * Qualitative & Quantitative Research * Service Needs Assessment * Public Relations & Education * Team Building & Leadership * Cross-functional Collaboration |

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|  | **Education** |  |
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**Masters of Arts in Medical Anthropology** **|** Expected 2022 **|** University of California **|** Berkeley and San Francisco, California

**Bachelor of Arts in Anthropology |** 2020 **|** University of California **|** Berkeley, California | 3.96

**Associates of Arts in Geography and Sociology |** 2018 **|** Contra Costa College **|** San Pablo, California | 4.00

**Associates of Arts in Anthropology** **|** 2018 **|** Diablo Valley College **|** Pleasant Hill, California |3.94

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|  | **PUBLIcations** |  |
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Tilton, Nathan A. *Discipline and Disable: How the Department of Veterans Affairs Disables Veterans*. 2020, www.academia.edu/44046526/Discipline\_and\_Disable\_How\_the\_Department\_of\_Veterans\_Affairs\_Disables\_Veterans.

* Interviewed 12 interlocutors and conducted over 24 hours of ethnographic interview data.
* Logged over 30 hours of background research like literature and archive reviews.

Flores, Michael E., and Nathan A. Tilton. 2020. “How Being ‘In on the [Racist] Joke’ Silences Service Members.” *The War Horse Journal*, thewarhorse.org/in- on-the-racist-joke/.

* Article went viral and was featured on many websites including the popular US military-focused website *Task & Purpose*.

Tilton, Nathan A. “It All Falls Down: The Disabling Effects of American Institutions on Veterans.” *Johns Hopkins University Macksey Journal*, 2020, [www.mackseyjournal.org/publications/vol1/iss1/13/](http://www.mackseyjournal.org/publications/vol1/iss1/13/).

* Presented and published with the 1st Annual Macksey Symposium and Journal at Johns Hopkins University.

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|  | **Professional Experience** |  |
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Radical Accessible Mapping Platform – Berkeley, California

**Co-Founder** (2020 – Present)

Co-founded this disability-focused navigation platform and manage all day-to-day platform processes in an efficient manner including meeting team deadlines and ensuring team logistics concerns are addressed.

* Applied for and awarded a 10K dollar grant for furthering the platform.
* Fostered, maintained, and managed relationships with 10 outside organizations like Uber and Adobe in order to nurture constructive ideas and professional development.

University of California, Berkeley

**Graduate Student Reader** (Fall Semester 2020)

Kept attendance during lectures, held office hours, consulted with instructor on course-related materials. Graded students’ homework assignments, examinations, and projects.

* Gave two guest lectures on disability advocacy and the social model of disability to 12 undergraduates.
* Successfully maintained student grading for 12 undergraduates during COVID-19 pandemic.
* Held weekly, flexible, virtual office hours in order to meet with students and held a total of 30 individual office hours.
* Coordinated class volunteering project for Anthropology 189: Disability, Ethnography, and Design with outside disability advocacy partners like UC Access Now.

University of California, Berkeley Disability Lab – California

**Lab Manager** (2019 – Present)

Plan, organize, coordinate, and oversee the overall operation of the laboratory including lab projects and guest speaking events. Administer all laboratory production operations, including service and customer report delivery, project turnaround time, and reflective project review. Meet data integrity, quality control, and customer standards, including auditing the lab’s test procedures, following standard operating procedures, holding Q&A meetings, and performing customer follow up and corrective action.

* Elevated the lab image as an accident-free lab for two years by following and enforcing high-level safety standards.
* Played a key role in crafting SOPs for five pieces of lab equipment including the mill, lathe, and 3D printers.
* Monitored, coached, and mentored 100 undergraduate and graduate students.
* Achieved targeted objectives by designing ten accessible technologies like Sensable Computing and the Blind Arduino.

**Researcher** (2018 – Present)

Responsible for collecting, organizing, and analyzing qualitative and quantitative data in order to explore current issues, predict trends, and develop solutions. These projects draw on different disciplines such as sociology, medicine, psychology, science, and other fields.

* Led four accessible research teams and was part of six teams, including Thumbless Gaming, #Freebeepsproject, and Joystick in the Rain.
* Presented accessible technology research in front of and hosted over 30 guests and mentors.
* Held and led four open-source accessibility technology and accessibility emergency workshops due to California Wildfires with the support and participation of the San Francisco Bay Area disabled community.

Haas Institute for a Fair and Inclusive Society – Berkeley, California

**Disability Advocate** (2019 – Present)

Advocate for people with disabilities to receive disability benefits while acting as a part of congressional briefing team. Address systemic barriers facing people with disabilities by building and implementing innovative and high-impact advocacy plans.

* Established and maintained lucrative relationships with community partners like U.S. Representative for Rhode Island and disability advocate Jim Langevin while identifying and resolving systemic disability issues.
* Called for and obtained removal of eugenic legislature in 30 states across the US and spoke before the 115th US Congress’ Congressional Coalition on Adoption.

Phoebe A. Hearst Museum of Anthropology – University of California, Berkeley

**Museum Assistant** (2019)

Performed a broad range of tasks, such as updating and rescheduling exhibits at the museum. Utilized proper artifact management procedures by labelling, packing, and distributing artifacts.

* Collaborated with cultural and community organizations while forming new contacts all over the community.
* Organized and installed exhibitions in close coordination with curatorial staff.

U.S.S. Hornet – Alameda, California

**Museum Assistant** (2017 – 2019)

Updated museum database and input collections catalog data entry accurately into The Museum System (TMS). Facilitated the preparation and planning research on upcoming exhibitions for the Programs Coordinator and Site Manager.

* Elevated artifact safety and maximized access for researchers by leading inventory re-housing.

*Additional experience as a Senior Operations Sergeant/ Senior Truckmaster/ Sergeant First Class, Security Dispatch Supervisor, and Cadre/ Squad Leader.*

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|  | **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS** |  |
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“It All Falls Down: The Disabling Effects of American Institutions on Veterans,” Johns Hopkins University, Richard Macksey National Undergraduate Symposium, Jun 01, 2020 **|** “American Institutions and How They Disable Veterans,” University of California, Berkeley, Firebaugh Symposium, Nov 16, 2019 **|** EnFavr, University of California, Berkeley, Fung Fellowship Symposium, May 04, 2019

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|  | **other ENGAGEMENTS** |  |
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University of California Academic and Student Affairs Committee, Nov 18, 2020 **|** Lecture: *Disability Advocacy*. College of Letters and Science, Department of Anthropology. University of California, Berkeley, Nov 17, 2020 **|** Lecture: *The Models of Disability*. College of Letters and Science, Department of Anthropology. University of California, Berkeley, Oct 18, 2020 **|** The Arch and Anth Podcast, May 11, 2020 **|** Congressional Speaking Engagement, Apr 24, 2019

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|  | **AWARDS and honors** |  |
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Parent Grant, University of California, Berkeley – 2021 **|** Harold & Muriel Berkman Charitable FoundationAward– 2020 **|** Theodore McCown Prize, University of California, Berkeley – 2020 **|** Summa Cum Laude, University of California, Berkeley -2020 **|** Highest Honors in Anthropology, University of California, Berkeley – 2020 **|** Student Equity and Success Grant, University of California, Berkeley – 2020 **|** Marco Antonio Firebaugh Scholar, University of California, Berkeley- 2019 **|** Fung Fellow, University of California, Berkeley – 2019 **|** Sigma Phi Epsilon Balanced Man Scholarship, Sigma Phi Epsilon – 2018 **|** Honor Graduate, Diablo Valley College – 2018 **|** Presidential Scholar, Contra Costa College – 2018 **|** Advanced Leaders Course Honor Graduate, US Army – 2011 **|** Combat Action Badge, US Army – 2010 **|** Army Basic Instructor Course Honor Graduate, US Army – 2008 **|** NCO of the Year 115th Regional Support Group, California Army National Guard – 2008 **|** NCO of the Year 749th Maintenance Battalion, 749th Maintenance Battalion – 2008 **|** NCO of the Year 2668th Transportation Company, 2668th – 2008

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|  | **Professional ASSOCIATIONS** |  |
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University of California, Berkeley Disability Cultural Center Committee **|** Chancellor’s Advisory Council on Disability and Accessibility Planning **|** University of California Disability Adhoc (Graduate Co-chair) **|** University of California Disability Ad Hoc Accessible Technology Subcommittee (Co-chair) **|** Marco Antonio Firebaugh Scholars Program **|** Pacific Islander Leaders of Tomorrow **|** Fraternal Order of Police **|** Air Marshals Association **|** Disabled American Veterans **|** Phi Betta Kappa **|** Alpha Gamma Sigma Honors Society **|** Fung Fellowship for Wellness and Technology Innovation

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|  | **Professional Development** |  |
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Unit Movement Officers Course, Little Rock, AR (2016) **|** Advanced Leaders Course, Fort Eustis, VA (2011) **|** Unit Victim Advocate Course, Camp Roberts, CA (2010) **|** Basic Non-Commissioned Officers Course, Camp Williams, UT (2009) **|** Army Basic Instructor Course Camp, Paso Robles, CA (2008) **|** Warrior Leaders Course, Salt Lake City, UT (2007) **|** Basic Training US Army, Fort Leonard Wood, MO (2005) **|** Boston Reed Medical School Medical Assistant, Vacaville, CA (2004) **|** Treasure Island Job Core Word Processing, San Francisco, CA (2003) **|** Treasure Island Job Core General Education, San Francisco, CA (2003)