# **Christopher William Aland**

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## **EDUCATION:**

## The Pennsylvania State University

University Park, PA, Aug. 2010-May 2014

- Bachelor of Arts in Journalism Broadcast Journalism, College of Communications
- Minors: Sociology, and Business & The Liberal Arts
- Graduated: May 10, 2014
- Dean's List: Fall 2010 Spring 2014
- **GPA: 3.61**

#### WORK EXPERIENCE:

**APPLE** Pittsburgh, PA

Specialist July 2014-Present

- Help create energy and excitement around Apple products, providing solutions and getting products into customers' hands
- Stay up to date on the latest news about products and initiatives and relaying that knowledge through customer interactions Create and maintain store visuals including store layout, storefront windows, product displays, and accessory walls

**YMCA** 

Head Lifeguard

Pittsburgh, PA May 2009-Present

Aid in the management of a team of over 50 lifeguards by organizing shift rotations, keeping track of pool chemicals, and educating on risk management and member safety

Plan and execute in-services for going over company rules & policies as well as keeping up to date on skills

#### **INTERNSHIP EXPERIENCE:**

## KDKA-TV/CW "Pittsburgh Today Live"

Pittsburgh, PA

Production/Promotions Intern

May 2013-July 2013

- Wrote story segments for "Pittsburgh Today Live" morning talk show
- Handled show guests, promoted local businesses, and updated social media accounts
- Worked on commercial spots for the television channel CW

## WJAC TV (Channel 6 News)

News Reporting Intern

State College, PA

Jan. 2013-April 2013

- Aided journalists with on-scene reporting
- Handled camera and set-up equipment
- Helped with editing back in studio

# **C-NET Television** (Government and Education Access for Centre County)

State College, PA

Camera Operating Intern

Sept. 2011-December 2011

- Government and Education television network: 2 channels CGTV (channel 7) and CETV (channel 98)
- Filmed/recorded important public meetings, high school sports, local festivals, etc.
- Set up auditory components for the various shoots

## WBHV-FM B94.5 The Morning Zoo

State College, PA

Jan. 2011-May 2011

Production/Promotions Intern

- Co-hosted LIVE morning radio show
- Assisted in the make-up of the show's rundown
- Participated in remote broadcasts for local businesses and promoted sponsorship

## **SKILLS:**

- Skilled in using a GY-HM100U High Definition Solid State Camcorder
- Trained in editing programs Final Cut Pro, iMovie, Photos, Adobe Premiere, Cool Edit and Hindenburg
- Proficient with Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint, and Pages

## **ACTIVITIES:**

#### **Penn State Lion Scouts** Tour Guide

Outreach Executive Chair

University Park, PA Oct. 2013-May 2014

Presented campus tours to prospective Penn State students

Participated in online chat rooms with national and international students to answer questions about the University

## HEAL (Help Every Angel Live) [Special Interest Organization]

University Park, PA April 2013-May 2014

One of 706 dancers that stood 46 hours straight for Penn State's no-sitting, no-sleeping Dance MaraTHON

- Raised money towards fighting pediatric cancer for the Four Diamonds Fund at Hersey Medical Center
- Planned and executed events such as hayrides, picnics, Relay For Life team, and THON activities
- Designed and ordered merchandise for our 70+ person organization as well as handled social media accounts and website

# The National Society of Collegiate Scholars

University Park, PA

April 2011-May 2014

Member

Highly selective non-profit, accredited, honors organization for first and second year college students

- Recognized on over 270 campuses throughout the United States and Puerto Rico
- In the top 20 percent of their class with a 3.4 GPA or better on a 4.0 scale

## **Penn State Homecoming** Royalty Captain – First Year Involvement

University Park, PA

Feb. 2012-Oct. 2012

- Increased freshman awareness of homecoming through residence life, nomination booths, and in-class candidacy
- Promoted homecoming events across campus through social media, booths, banners, and interactive activities
- Led a 9-person committee that helped pick the student court and university court