

Jenny Crakes



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Education

Michigan State University

Residential College in the Arts and Humanities

BACHELOR OF ARTS, ARTS AND HUMANITIES

Anticipated Dec. 2015

- Phi Beta Kappa, Honors College member, Dean's List 7/7 semesters
- Dual degree in Professional Writing: Editing and Publishing focus, French minor

Work Experience

Intern and Education Coordinator, RCAH Center for Poetry at MSU, East Lansing, MI

Fall 2013-present

- Plan and lead interactive creative writing workshops for children and adults
- Promote the Center for Poetry through online calendars, blog, and social media
- Facilitate events with visiting writers, community members, students, and other staff
- Created booklet of poetry lesson plans distributed at a teaching conference

Editorial Staff Member, *ing Magazine*, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI

Fall 2014

- Wrote interview-based articles that were published in an arts and culture magazine
- Performed developmental and copyediting, gathered visuals, communicated with freelancers
- Collaborated with full editorial team to organize work schedule and create process documents

Intercultural Aide, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI

Fall 2014

- Promoted cultural inclusion by encouraging interaction and raising awareness of current issues
- Mentored students in the dorms as a member of live-in hall staff
- Planned social and service events to bring together diverse groups from across campus

Girl Scouts of Rhode Island, Camp Hoffman, West Kingston, RI

Summers 2011-2014

- Worked with Program Manager to plan and coordinate activities for 30-100 girls
- Created an atmosphere of friendly acceptance and fun
- Guided decision making to support the development of girls' independence

Classroom Assistant, Red Cedar Elementary School, East Lansing, MI

Spring 2013

- Led a book club around the novel "Bud, Not Buddy" with advanced readers
- Organized a writing, art, and presentation project for students to share their own stories of change

Publications and Awards

- Features writer for *RCAHive* literary magazine Fall 2012-present
- Nominee for Richard Lee Featherstone Endowed Prize Spring 2015
- MSUFCU RCAH Dean's Choice Award for Innovations in Civic Engagement April 2015
- MSU English Department awards in Flash Nonfiction and Playwriting March 2015
- 3rd place, Martin Luther King, Jr. Advancing Inclusion Through Research Award Spring 2014
- Annie Balocating Prize for Poetry Spring 2014
- Book reviewer for *What If?* teen magazine, Guelph, ON, Canada 2007-2011