

MEREDITH SCHONFELD-HICKS

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SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS

- Experienced with policy, education, advocacy campaigns and event organizing related to comprehensive sexuality education and reproductive health
- Confident presenter and facilitator
- Effective coalition builder

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Legislative Assistant, Unitarian Universalist Association, Washington, DC **2005-present**

- Tracked and advocated for federal legislation supporting comprehensive sexuality education and reproductive health
- Represented UUA in national coalitions; chaired interfaith reproductive health coalition
- Co-organized lobby days, congressional briefings and web campaigns, coordinated sign-on letters
- Mobilized and tracked grassroots activists through an e-advocacy program
- Designed and facilitated over 30 workshops, forums, sermons and displays at churches, events, and regional and national conferences
- Coordinated annual Youth Sexuality Education Advocacy Trainings in coalition with Advocates for Youth and the United Church of Christ
- Certified to facilitate *Our Whole Lives* (UU sex ed curriculum) for grades 7-9 and 10-12
- Planned and participated in anti-racism/anti-oppression trainings

Sexual Health Educator and Coordinator *Sex Out Loud*, Madison, WI **2002-2005**

Relevant Positions: Project Coordinator, Program Coordinator, Event and Outreach Coordinator

- Organized media campaigns promoting sexual health
- Organized Sexual Health Week, National Condom Week, World AIDS Day, Homecoming, and Condoms and Candy in collaboration with community and student organizations
- Developed and facilitated sexual health programming reaching over 3,000 students annually
- Planned and facilitated two professional development sessions for organizational staff of 12

Outreach Specialist *Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender Campus Center*, Madison, WI **2003-2004**

- Designed and led programming fostering growth and connection among LGBT students
- Enhanced awareness of LGBT issues through workshops and advertising in student newspapers
- Initiated the UW Day of Silence action to protest the silencing of and discrimination against LGBT students; mobilized students and 12 co-sponsoring organizations

EDUCATION

University of Wisconsin-Madison, B.S., *Sociology and Women's Studies*

International Study Program, *Dominican Republic*, Independent Project: *Sexually Transmitted Infections: A study of the communication between young Dominicans and their partners*

SKILLS AND INTERESTS

Language: proficient in Spanish

Computer: adept in Microsoft office and basic HTML

Interests: Cross Country Skiing, Travel, Cooking, DC Voting Rights, Religion