# Sally Gopher

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#### **EDUCATION**

Goucher College Baltimore, MD Bachelor of Arts: Environmental Studies May 2013

GPA 3.7, Deans List 2011 to present

Monte Del Sol Charter School
GPA 3.8, Honor Roll All Years

Santa Fe, NM
May 2009

## RELATED COURSE WORK

Biosphere and Society Introduction to Environmental Studies
Environmental Sustainability Statistical Analysis with the Environment

Chemistry Urban Sustainability
Environmental Economics Environmental Geology

#### STUDY ABROAD EXPERIENCE

Instituto de Monteverde, Monteverde, Costa Rica, Spring 2012

Global and Local Challenges to Sustainability: An integrated program of study including Spanish, Development and Social Change in Costa Rica, Latin American History, Environmental Sustainability and field trips to various sites of learning such as plantations, hydroelectric dams, cultural heritage and eco-tourism sites while living with local home-stay families.

#### **AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS**

- Goucher College Global Citizens Scholarship, 2009-present
- Kiwanis College Scholarship, 2009 to present
- All Conference Track & Field Athlete, Mid-Atlantic States, 2009-2010
- Spirit of Monte del Sol Award, 2009, highest school award to the student who best exemplifies the school's principles of
  intellectual curiosity, joy of learning, creative thinking & expression, appreciation of diversity,
  respect & compassion for fellow students and concern for their community & the world.
- NM State Track & Field Champion in 4 Events including 1 State Record, 2008-2009

#### **INTERNSHIPS**

Field Research Assistant, Instituto de Monteverde, Montverde, Costa Rica, 2012

• Assisted the GIS/GPS mapping project, reforestation assessment and municipal support survey involved in establishing the *Bell-bird Corridor*, a project to preserve migration routes of an iconic bird species in NW Costa Rica.

#### Farming Assistant, Beneficial Farms CSA, Santa Fe, NM, 2011

 Participated in various bio-dynamic farming activities including bed preparation, irrigation, planting, composting, harvesting and cheese production.

### Environmental Steward, Earth Works Organization, Santa Fe, NM, 2008-2009

 Participated in Climate Change Conservation Corps, a green collar career development program of workshops and community service projects focusing on renewable energy, energy conservation, environmental stewardship, permaculture, values-based problem solving and community activism.

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Lab Teaching Assistant, Goucher College, Baltimore, MD, 2012-2013

- Prepared materials, assisted with class and tutored students in Environmental Science.
- Worked with professor on reshaping the lab format and schedule.

# Teaching Assistant, Futuro Latino Learning Center, Baltimore, MD, 2011-2012

- Taught English as a second language to Spanish speakers from Baltimore.
- Assisted with lesson plan writing.

# Program Facilitator, Goucher College, Baltimore, MD, 2011-2012

Prepared lesson plans and facilitated the Connections Freshman Seminar Program to support students in handling the new challenges of independent college living.

## Office Assistant, Goucher College, Baltimore, MD, 2009-2010

Performed various office tasks and provided quality service to fellow students at the Career Development Office.

#### LEADERSHIP

## Director, TALMAR Gardens & Horticultural Therapy Center, Baltimore, MD, 2012-2013

Organized volunteers for Goucher College community-based learning program.

# Member, Goucher College Leadership Council, Baltimore, MD, 2011-2013

- Organized and facilitated campus events to strengthen the college community.
- Led discussions on social justice and leadership.

### Participant, Sustainable Global Leadership Alliance, Santa Fe, NM, 2008

- Five weekend leadership training workshops including communication skills, emotional intelligence and principles of sustainability and permaculture.
- Co-created fundraising campaign for three week service trip to Northern India.

#### **COMMUNITY SERVICE & ACTIVISM**

## Co-creator, Roosevelt Institute, Albuquerque and Santa Fe, NM, beginning 2013

Initiating a Southwest Center / Campus Network to foster progressive activism and support youth in creating change through policy writing.

## Advocate, Goucher College Energy Action Coalition, Baltimore, MD, 2011-2013

Organized campus-wide referendum for expansion of renewable energy and reduction of fossil fuel use as well as a 350.org divestment campaign at Goucher.

### Organizer, 350.org Climate Action Day Event, Monteverde, Costa Rica, 2012

Collaborated with local scientists and activists to disseminate climate information.

#### Film Director / Producer, Instituto de Monteverde, Montverde, Costa Rica, 2012

Co-created short film about traditional farming and fishing practices of the Maleku tribe.

# Relief Worker, Hope Community Development Agency, Biloxi, MS, 2011

Participated in hurricane reconstruction service program.

### RELATED WORKSHOPS & CONFERENCES

Roosevelt Institute, varied workshops on community service and writing policy, 2012 - 2013

# Chesapeake Climate Action Network Conference, Baltimore, MD, 2012

Learned about fracking and strategized to initiate a moratorium in Maryland.

## Powershift Southeast Student Renewable Conference, Asheville, NC, 2011

Learned about U.S. dependence on fossil fuels and tools for community organizing, campaigning and policy writing to create a shift towards renewable energy.

# Project Pericles D4D Debating for Democracy Workshop, Baltimore, MD, 2012

Learned legislative analysis, public testimony, effective use of media and policy writing.

#### **COMPUTER SKILLS**

Proficient in Microsoft Word, Excel and PowerPoint.

## **LANGUAGE**

Spanish: intermediate to advanced speaker, functional reader and writer.