

Mercedes “Sadie” Blancaflor

EDUCATION

Stanford University

Master of Science, Earth Systems

GPA: 4.0

Stanford, CA

June 2022

Stanford University

Bachelor of Arts, Political Anthropology

GPA: 3.95

Stanford, CA

June 2022

ORGANIZATIONS

Board of Advisors, Arctic Circle, International

Oct. 2022 - present

Serve as the youngest member of the Board of Advisors for Arctic Circle, the largest network of international dialogue and cooperation on the future of the Arctic and our planet. Collaborate with a broad range of leaders from around the Circumpolar North to inform the organizational direction.

Co-Chair, Board of Directors, Power Shift Network, Washington DC

Jan. 2020 Jan. 2022

Unanimously elected as co-chair of the Board of Directors for Power Shift Network, a national non-profit working on mobilizing the collective power of young people to mitigate climate change and create a just, clean energy future. Lead board fundraising efforts of our \$1.7 million budget, guide organization mission, and provide oversight to the Executive Directors.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE (selected)

Terminal Operations Project Manager, Prince William Sound Regional Citizens' Advisory Council

Valdez, Alaska

May 2023- present

Monitor the actual and potential environmental impacts stemming from the operation of the Valdez Marine Terminal and review operational and maintenance practices at the facility in the interest of mitigating those impacts.

Program Director, Arctic Encounter, Anchorage, Alaska

Jan. 2022-April 2023

Conducted sponsorship outreach, building and maintaining relationships with a broad range of stakeholders. Led external communications and coordinated media coverage for high-profile attendees, including Ambassadors and U.S. Senators for the 2023 Arctic Encounter, the largest annual Arctic policy event in the United States.

Adjunct Professor, Department of Natural Resources and Environment, University of Alaska

Fairbanks, Alaska

Oct. 2022 May 2023

Instructed Environmental Law, a required course for the Department of Natural Resources and Environment at the University of Alaska Fairbanks, for Spring 2023. Covered all major environmental legislation and policy over the course of U.S. history and cultivated creative class engagement with the material.