# Anna R. Johnson

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## **Event Planning Skills**

- Accomplished negotiator, able to secure lower rates with vendors, caterers, etc.
- **Creative and organized professional**, excited to plan events designed to meet various goals, such as fundraising, public awareness, customer appreciation, and new product launches.
- **Experienced writer**, qualified to produce professional press releases, reports, flyers, advertisements, and social medial promotions.

### Education

# West Virginia University, Morgantown, WV

May 2017 (Expected)

Bachelor of Arts in Strategic Communications

- Area of Emphasis: Public Relations
- Classes in strategic event planning, creative design & strategy, and audience insight & analysis

## **Internship Experience**

## **Event Planning and Fundraising Intern**

May 2016-August 2016

United Way of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, OH

- Helped plan and execute three fundraisers for the Annual Campaign: Holiday Ball, Spring Fling Thrift Sale, and Summer Splash-n-Spin 5K
- Exceed fundraising goal by 5%
- Revitalized theme for existing events; created social media buzz around new "look and feel"
- Negotiated with vendors to decrease overhead, thus increasing profit
- Created step-by-step event planning guide for future interns and full-time staff

### **Campus Ambassador**

September 2015–April 2016

Coca-Cola, Morgantown, WV

- Established student engagement goal per semester independently
- Organized promotional events to increase sales of Coca-Cola products; events were designed to either capitalize on brand loyalty or attract new customers with loyalty to other brands
- Prepared and provided weekly progress reports to program manager via Skype

# **Work History**

Front Desk Clerk, Hotel Morgan, Morgantown, WV

June 2013-August 2015

#### **Extra-Curricular Activities**

### PRSSA, Vice President and Member

2014-Present

- Organized fundraising 5k for Cancer: 250 participants, raised \$1200+ (50 percent higher than previous year)
- Fashion Show and Etiquette Dinner Co-Chair: organized event for 175 students and faculty