

# Darius Ballinger

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## Education

<b>B.S. Entrepreneurship, University of Chicago at Illinois</b>	<b>07/16 - 5/19</b>
<b>A.S. Human Sciences (Liberal Arts), City Colleges of Chicago Kennedy-King</b>	<b>02/14 - 02/16</b>
<b>General Education Degree, Illinois Community College Board</b>	<b>11/13</b>

## Experience

### **KLEO Center: Quantum Mentor, Chicago IL** **03/2017 - Present**

- Part of a team that strategizes recruitment and retention for 64 acutely at-risk youth ages 13-18 through a community-based mentoring model
- Supporting youth in accessing community resources (chemical dependency counseling, mental health counseling, medical appointments, etc)
- Assess a child's potential fit for placement in the programs according to what services we provide and the needs of the youth
- Work directly with the youth, as needed

### **Guide Right: Truancy Case manager, Chicago IL** **08/2015 - 02/2017**

- Gathers and reviews attendance data to identify students who are excessively truant.
- Assesses students with attendance problems and makes home visits to assess the family environment.
- Collaborates with school staff to develop interventions for students who are truant and develops individualized service plans to improve attendance.
- Serves as a liaison between assigned schools and such agencies as social services, court services, and the police department regarding student truancy

### **Chicago Votes: Field Organizer, Chicago, IL** **10/2014 - 04/2015**

- Worked with a team of five field organizers as part of a 3-month citywide non-partisan voter registration drive to register new young voters.
- Lead chaperone for three CPS high schools, bringing six hundred students to vote for the first time..
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### **ATR Cleaning: Crew Member, Chicago FL** **09/2013 - 09/2014**

- Prepares equipment and supplies needed for the work day, i.e. water fed poles, squeegees, buckets, other tools, water, etc. and loads them in the truck
- Ensures window cleaning, power washing, and gutter cleaning, and all other work is done in a professional manner
- Identifies and reports to Crew Leader and Service Manager of any damages to customer's property and any problems with property or the work performed immediately (within one hour)
- Trained new crew members on guest service expectations and cleaning protocols

## Relevant Trainings, Conferences and Volunteer

**Woods Fund of Chicago; W.K. Kellogg Foundation THRT Youth Design Team Co-Chair**

**Chicago Lawyers Committee for Civil Rights Community Law Project: Bootcamp for Founders of Nonprofit**

**Heartsaver® First Aid CPR AED: Certified in First Aid and CPR with AED.**