# Natasha Kornak

#### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

I am an experienced political communicator and strategist who is passionate about advancing public policy goals that better our communities and improve the quality of life of others. I have experience advocating for policy changes at multiple levels of government and have gained insights into a number of policy issues through my educational and professional experiences.

#### CONTACT INFORMATION

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#### **EDUCATION**

## **Queen's University**

Bachelor of Science (Honours) September 2015 - June 2020

- Major: Life Sciences
- Minor: Health Studies
- Dean's List in the 2017-18 and 2018-19 academic years
- Chancellor's Scholar nominee
- Queen's University Excellence Scholarship

## **AWARDS**

- Alberta Council for Global Cooperation's Top 30 Under 30 (2018)
- Governor General's Caring Canadian Award (2015)
- Alberta Premier's Citizenship Award (2015)

# PROFESSIONAL SKILLS

- Stakeholder engagement
- Communications
- Public speaking
- Team leadership
- Project management

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Microsoft word
- Powerpoint
- Research
- Report-writing
- Social media management

#### **EXPERIENCE**

#### **Communications Officer**

United Conservative Party Government Caucus | July 2019 to present

- Prepare speeches, editorials, and other written materials for government MLAs and Ministers on a wide range of policy topics
- Assist with stakeholder outreach on private member's bills

#### **Press Secretary**

Minister of Community and Social Services | May to July 2019

- Responded to media inquiries related to the Ministry
- Attended and contributed to budgetary meetings between the Minister, Deputy Minister, and other departmental staff
- Engaged with stakeholders related to the Minister's mandate and legislation

#### Intern

Shannon Stubbs, MP | May to August 2018

- Prepared written materials related to the MP's role as Shadow Minister of Natural Resources
- Engaged industry, grassroots, and Indigenous stakeholders on natural resource policy

#### **Summer Research Student**

Cumming School of Medicine, University of Calgary May to September 2016

 Conducted research focused on optimizing PCR protocols to amplify the entire HIV-1 genome to sequence specific viral genes

#### **Founder and Advocate**

Right2Know Alberta | April 2016 to May 2019

- Advocated for reforms to Alberta's high school health and wellness curriculum to include information about consent and sexual violence
- Advocated to federal government for reforms to supports for survivors of sexual violence

#### **Student Director**

Alma Mater Society, Queen's University | July 2017 to May 2018

- Reviewed and scrutinized financial and operational reports
- Evaluated proposals for capital expenditure for the Alma Mater Society's corporate services
- Evaluated and voted on grant proposals
- Served on the Personnel Committee and reviewed salaries, contracts, and recruitment processes within the Alma Mater Society