

# BRIAN DONATO

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Authenticity driven to create significant positive impact in profession through relentless self-discipline, assertive nature, and utilization of an open-minded growth mindset

## EDUCATION

**Life University** Marietta, GA (online program)

**Master of Science in Positive Psychology** October 2018 – Present

Mastering coursework in positive psychology concepts such as the science of happiness, self-development coaching, and research methods with an expected graduation date of June 2019

**University of Maryland** College Park, MD

**Bachelor of Arts in Economics** August 2011 – May 2014

Global Poverty Minor

Major GPA: 3.6/4.0

Scholars Program: Business, Society, and the Economy

Cumulative GPA: 3.7/4.0

## WORK EXPERIENCE

**Valley Youth House** Philadelphia, PA

*Life Skills Counselor* October 2016 – Present

- Empower 15 former foster care clients aged 18-20, as part of the Room & Board Program, to live independently under stable housing and facilitate clients' growth in varied life skill areas
- Manage \$10,000+ in rent, utility, and transportation assistance monthly for entire caseload
- Document all meetings, referrals, etc. through case notes in an online system and a physical file

**YouthBuild Philadelphia Charter School** Philadelphia, PA

*Community Projects Coordinator (AmeriCorps Member)* August 2015 – August 2016

- Provided 1,700+ service hours, instilling YouthBuild's self-development culture daily to students
- Coordinated community service projects for the entire student body of 200+ students
- Led a service learning course to a class of 15 students focused on community change

**City Year** Philadelphia, PA

*AmeriCorps Member* August 2014 – June 2015

- Served 1,700+ hours on a team of 17 corps members at Grover Washington Jr. Middle School
- Facilitated after-school programming and activities for approximately 75 students daily

## PUBLICATIONS, SKILLS, TEST SCORES, & VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

- Introspective writer and owner of the psychology blog: [www.sobeit32.com](http://www.sobeit32.com)
- Strong analytical skills - Earned a perfect 800 score on the Math SAT portion
- GRE scores: Quantitative – 164, Verbal – 150, Analytical Writing – 5.0
- Extensive volunteer history: Part-time semester+ jobs at 8 unique organizations while in college including A Wider Circle, Best Buddies, Food & Friends, Street Sense, Terps for Change, etc.
- Competent in addressing challenges constructively, using active listening skills to prioritize understanding, and being a reflective leader who maximizes team inner drive and outcomes

Two page resume available upon request