



**APPLICATION FOR WARD I COUNCIL VACANCY
AUGUST/SEPTEMBER 2021**

I, Jai-Ayla Quest, the undersigned certify, under penalty of perjury, that I have been a resident of Ward I in the City of Casper since at least August 2020, am not a felon, and that I am currently a registered voter in Natrona County.

Jai-Ayla Quest
Signed

8 S Grant Avenue (307)
Residence Address & Telephone Number

September 3, 2021
Date

Mailing Address (if different)

Casper, WY 82601
City/State/Zip

gmail.com
Email Address

The Stanley Center for Peace and Security (563)
Employer & Telephone Number

**PLEASE ATTACH A RESUME WHICH SHOULD INCLUDE YOUR
EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND, WORK EXPERIENCE, AND
COMMUNITY SERVICE EXPERIENCE.**

Please initial if consenting:

JQ I consent to the release of my resume on the City website for Citizens to review.

JQ I prefer to have my contact information from my resume withheld from the website.

**APPLICATIONS ARE DUE TO THE CITY CLERK'S
OFFICE BY 5:00 PM ON FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2021.**

**Send applications by email to cityclerkrecords@casperwy.gov
or drop-off/mail to the City Clerk's Office at
200 N David Street, Suite 104, Casper, WY 82601.**

JAI-AYLA QUEST

EDUCATION

Josef Korbel School of International Studies, University of Denver

Master of Arts in International Security

Denver, CO

November 2014

Certification in Policy Writing

January 2014

University of Southern California

Bachelor of Arts in International Relations

Los Angeles, CA

May 2010

King's College London

Study Abroad, Department of War Studies

London, United Kingdom

January – May 2009

PROFESSIONAL & PERSONAL EXPERIENCE

Three-year-old twins

Mother

Casper, WY

May 2018 – Present

- Applies mediation and interpersonal communication skills, including managing complex emotions, settling disputes respectfully and peacefully, and teaching how actions and words affect others.
- Prioritizes the use of creativity and critical thinking to solve problems and identify solutions during play, disagreement or conflict, and general communication.
- Encourages learning through play, including taking advantage of Casper's many outdoor and child-focused activities.
- Maintains a focus on understanding how to leverage individual strengths in relationships and friendships, including cultivating skills for mindfulness, self-awareness and positivity.
- Superior multitasking, organization, and scheduling abilities.

The Stanley Center for Peace and Security (formerly the Stanley Foundation)

Program Specialist, Mass Violence and Atrocities Program

Muscatine, IA

July 2019 – Present

- Spearheaded the launch of a global network exploring how city leaders can take a more leading role in local and global efforts to reduce identity-based mass violence.
- Contribute to strategic planning and programmatic design and implementation, including the coordination of a research project exploring nine city case studies where episodes of mass violence occurred since 1990 to gain insights into common risk factors, sources of resilience and opportunities for greater prioritization of prevention at the city level.

Program Officer, Mass Violence and Atrocities Program

September 2017 – July 2019

- Designed and led the mass violence and atrocities team strategy, including maintaining and building strategic partnerships with organizations across the United States and globally.
- Designed and implemented global programming, including the ongoing Latin America Network for the Prevention of Genocide and Mass Atrocities, international meetings of parliamentarians in the Hague, Netherlands and Milan, Italy; multiple convenings on the role of the private sector in preventing mass atrocities; a new program on prevention as it related to migration and risk for violence in and around Venezuela; the establishment of an international Civil Society Forum on Prevention in Latin America; and the design and development of Impact: Peace at the University of San Diego.
- Developed and managed programming budgets ranging from USD\$5,000-\$100,000+.
- Managed the publication of policy resources related to nearly all programming activities.
- Invited to provide testimony to the Tom Lantos Human Rights Commission of the House Foreign Affairs Committee on the role of the private sector in preventing mass violence and atrocities.

Associate Program Officer, Mass Violence and Atrocities Program *May 2016 – September 2017*

- Collaborated with stakeholders from civil society, government, and multilateral organizations to manage policy salons, roundtable discussions, and publications that further learning and dialogue around critical policy issues facing the field of genocide and atrocity prevention at regional and global levels.
- Worked closely with team members and partners to deepen the foundation's role in the atrocity prevention policy community, meet its own internal strategic objectives, and ultimately contribute to preventing and halting mass atrocities.

Program Associate, Mass Violence and Atrocities Program *August 2015 – April 2016*

Intern, Climate Change Program *January – August 2015*

University of Denver

Denver, CO

Research Assistant, Social Conflict in Africa Database, C/O Dr. Cullen Hendrix *July 2014 – April 2015*

- Analyzed and recorded social conflict events (e.g., protests, riots, and strikes) in the Arabian Peninsula and Africa to identify root causes of the conflicts such as environment, education, ethnicity, and religion.

Research Assistant, C/O Dr. Frank Laird *April 2014 – July 2014*

- Reviewed Congressional hearings using ProQuest Congressional and built an excel database of witnesses and organizations called to testify during historical climate change debates regarding the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, the Kyoto Protocol, and U.S. cap-and-trade legislation.
- Researched and wrote an outline for a paper to discuss the major debates in climate change legislation, including why attempts at regulating many greenhouse gas emissions have failed to date.

PATH

Seattle, WA

Consulting Program Assistant, Water, Air, Sanitation, and Hygiene Group *February 2013 – May 2013*

- Conducted usability assessments with PATH headquarters, country offices, and international partners to improve the design and content of the Commercialization Toolkit website.

Program Assistant, Water, Air, Sanitation, and Hygiene Group *November 2010 – January 2013*

- Co-wrote and coordinated a successful proposal for a US\$500,000 grant from the Starbucks Foundation to implement water and sanitation interventions in the Southern Highlands of Tanzania.
- Awarded US\$10,000 in competitive institutional funding to develop a research protocol and related materials and to fund travel to Mbeya and Mbozi in Tanzania.
- Conducted a needs assessment in six Tanzanian villages to understand knowledge and practices about water and sanitation; performed water quality testing; hired and managed research assistants.
- Developed the Commercialization Toolkit website that provides important tools for bringing water and sanitation technologies and business skills to entrepreneurs and organizations in low-resource areas.

Global Tolerance

London, United Kingdom

Communications Intern *January 2009 – June 2009*

- Collaborated with international organizations to brainstorm creative events surrounding the launch of Karen Armstrong's 2008 TED Prize Wish for a Charter for Compassion.
- Tracked and accounted for 2008-2009 enterprise transactions. Verified transactions with incoming and outgoing invoices to update and create a working budget for the 2009-2010 fiscal year.

PUBLICATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

Quest, Jai-Ayla (author). *Peace in Our Cities*. Muscatine: The Stanley Center for Peace and Security, 2019.

Quest, Jai-Ayla (author/speaker). *House Foreign Affairs Committee: Tom Lantos Human Rights Commission Hearing on Reducing the Risk of Mass Atrocities*. Washington, DC, 2018.

Sutherland, Jai-Ayla (rapporteur). *Mobilizing Climate Action: To Paris and Beyond*. Muscatine: The Stanley Foundation, 2015.
