

DANIEL BENSON

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EDUCATION

Illinois State University

- Graduation Date: May 2012
- **Major: Insurance - GPA: 3.64**
- Fall 2010 Dean's List and Top 10 Percent of Students Within the College of Business

University of Wisconsin-Whitewater (2008-2010)

- **Major – General Business**, Transferred 72 credit hours
- UW-W Academic Honors (Fall 2008, Spring 2009, Fall 2009 Semesters)
- GPA: 3.56
- Sentry Insurance Scholarship Award Winner
- UW-W Warhawks Football – Wide receiver, kick returner for nationally ranked team

WORK EXPERIENCE

Internship with Arthur J. Gallagher & Co. (Summer 2011)

- Worked directly with brokers to assist with customer service and acquisitions
- Contributed within a variety of divisions where I researched and prospected to gain new customers

Internship with CRC Insurance Services, Inc. (Summer 2009 and 2010)

- Broker assistant and member of highest production team within the company
- Learned and worked with the casualty insurance division first summer
- Second summer was broker assistant for both the property and professional divisions

Study Blue Campus Representative at UW-Whitewater (Spring 2010)

- Campus liaison at UW-Whitewater
- Promoted and marketed this new company which assists students with schoolwork

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Active Member of Gamma Iota Sigma

- Gen Re Lunch and Learn
- The Horton Group Lunch and Learn
- American Red Cross Blood Drive

Member of the STLFF Club (Students Today, Leaders Forever)

- Part of 2011 "Pay it Forward Tour." Service projects over 9 days and in 7 different cities.

Arthur J. Gallagher & Co. Scholarship Award Winner

Society of Financial Service Professionals – Central IL Chapter Scholarship Award Winner

ISU Captain, Intramural Dodgeball and Basketball team; Member Intramural Football team and Softball team

- Formed and led two teams as the captain this semester at ISU.

St. Vincent DePaul Society (8 years); Christmas Cheer Foundation (3 years)

- Packaged and delivered food and gifts around the holidays for families in need in the Chicago area.

SKILLS

- First-hand experience in the insurance brokerage field and possessing valuable knowledge through my internships and with courses I have taken at the collegiate level.
- Exhibit excellent leadership skills and utilize them to the best of my ability.
- Extremely sociable and possess effective communication skills.
- Demonstrate consistent success working with a group or team.
- Excel in and outside of the classroom and strive to learn wherever I go.