

ALYSSA N. GIMARC

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Education

- Westwood High School – Austin, TX** **2008 – 2012**
- Graduated May 2012
- Schreiner University – Kerrville, TX** **2012 – present**
- Bachelors of Fine Arts, Communication Design – December 2016

Work-Related Experience

- Schreiner University – Kerrville, TX** **2013 – 2014**
Recycling Staff Member (work study program)
- Staff member of the Schreiner campus environment management team.
 - Responsibilities included: collecting recycled materials throughout the campus, delivery to the campus recycling center, and sorting the recyclables prior to pickup by external recycling company.
- Waterloo Swim School – Austin, TX** **2012 – present**
Swim Instructor (recurring summer position)
- Swim instructor for babies - targeted for babies 6 months to three years with an adult.
 - Swim Instructor for beginners – learn to swim unassisted front and back with water safety program.
 - Completed required Red Cross certifications and swim school instructor training sessions.
 - Communicated regularly with students and their parents on individual progress, always maintaining high level of customer service and ensuring positive experience for both students and parents.
 - Applied thorough knowledge and application of swimming and water safety skills, continuously adapted to the individual needs of each student.
 - Directly responsible for the health and safety of students during classes.
- Childcare Services (self-employed) – Austin, TX** **2007 – 2012**
Nanny/Sitter
- Provide year-round, part-time childcare services for multiple families, ages ranging from infant to elementary school-aged children.
- Westwood High School Varsity Swim Team – Austin, TX** **2009 – 2012**
Girls Team Manager
- Assisted Coach on deck during practices and swim meets.
 - Planned and led team activities, interacting with team members, Coach and families.
 - Served as role model for good sportsmanship and team spirit for new members.
 - Promoted and enforced school and team rules, policies and traditions.
 - Earned Varsity Letter for contributions to the team (2 years).
- Girl Scouts – Austin, TX** **2007 – 2010**
Camp Counselor
- Planned, led and executed many Girl Scout day and overnight activities and workshops for younger Girl Scouts. Volunteer position – see Community Service section for highlights.

Honors • Awards • Extracurricular Activities

- Girl Scouts USA** **1998 – 2012**
Ambassador Girl Scout
- Registered Girl Scout since age 5, remaining active throughout high school
 - Gold Award prerequisites
 - Gold Leadership Award
 - Silver Award
 - Silver Leadership Award

- Gold Career Award
- God and Country Award
- Camp Program/Counselor
- Silver Career Award
- Program Aid Training
- Numerous badges earned

Austin Family Magazine

2012

Photo credits – March 2012 Cover

- Photo shoot session with child model – photo selected for March 2012 cover. (www.austinfamily.org)

Wilderness Photography Workshop

Summer 2011

Eastern Sierra Mountains & Yosemite, California

- Selected for outdoor 5-day adventure through Girl Scouts application award process.
- Learned photography skills from professional photographers.
- Took many photographs using different setting, lighting and perspective techniques.

Switzerland Cultural Experience

Summer 2010

Toured throughout country

- Selected for 20-day adventure through Girl Scouts application awards process.
- Visited ‘Our Chalet’, one of four Girl Scouts World Centers, as well as toured multiple cities.

Competitive Swimming

1998 – 2010

Balcones Country Club Sharks Swim Team

- Swam twelve consecutive summers with BCC Sharks swim team, ages 5-16.

USA Swimming – Year-round Club Swimming

- Registered competitive swimmer ages 8-14 – swam with several local swim clubs.

Certifications

American Red Cross Certifications (all current)

- Adult/Child CPR
- First Aid
- Safety Training for Swim Coaches

Leadership and Community Service

Community Service Experience – Andes Mountains, Peru (Summer 2011)

- Selected for high-adventure service trip through Girl Scouts application process, with scholarship awarded. Assisted at local schools, experienced Incan culture and history, and hiked the Inca Trail to Machu Picchu.

Girl Scouts USA (highlights)

- **Camp Program Leader and Counselor** – Develop program for Service Unit Twilight Camp (4-day day camp at night) for 70 girls, ages 5-13. ‘Medieval Maidens’ theme, with activities and badge work designed for four different age levels. Also served as Unit leader at other Twilight camps (participated multiple years with this camp).
- **Girl Scout Silver Award project** – ‘C-R-A-Z-Y’ Campout planning, scheduling and served as Camp Director for high-adventure 3 day/2 night campout for fifth grade Girl Scouts about to enter middle school (67 participants). Theme revolved around building leadership, teamwork and self-confidence.
- **Photographer** – Volunteered as photographer at Girl Scouts Father/Daughter dance. Created photo backdrop settings and took portrait photos of participants. After event, handled digital photo processing and mounting photo in memory frame.
- **Backpack Buddies program** – Along with troop, sponsored and prepared backpack of gifts for foster and homeless children around holidays (participated multiple years with this service project).
- **Kids Helping Kids Bazaar** – Planned and ran the event, coordinating with all the troops in the Service Unit. Made and sold crafts, with the proceeds benefiting neighborhood school children with medical and living needs (participated multiple years with this service project).
- **Girl Scouts fundraising** – Girl Scout cookie sales for 10 years, with significant portion of sales benefiting Girl Scouts both locally and nationally. Skills learned and practiced included: goal setting, decision making, money management, people skills, and business ethics.

Other Activities

- **World Vision's 30-Hour Famine** – Raised contributions and participated in 30 hours of famine activities: no food, sleeping in cardboard shelters, and outreach to local homeless community.
- **Food Drive Service Projects** – As part of Westwood Swim Team, canvassed for non-perishable donations for local food pantry (multiple years).
- **Susan B. Komen Race for the Cure** – Participated in walk and fundraising events to support cancer-survivor friends.