

# LENA SIEMERS

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## Professional Summary

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Ambitious and adventurous foreign language and international studies student at the University of South Alabama graduating in the Fall of 2020 seeking a profession in the field that will utilize skills in Foreign Languages and applied the knowledge gained in International Studies. A cultured and well-rounded individual searching for a career that will require the usage of knowledge and experience gathered while living abroad in Germany, France, and the United States. Fields of interest include business, human resources, international affairs, immigration as well as foreign languages.

## Education

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**Bachelor of Arts in Modern Languages**, University of South Alabama, *Alabama* Dec 2020

- Concentration: Double Major in Foreign Languages (French Major and Spanish Major) and International Studies Major (European Studies)
- GPA: Foreign Languages: 4.0/4.0 International Studies: 3.8/4.0
- Honors: Phi Sigma Iota, Sigma Iota Rho, National Society of Collegiate Scholars, and Society of Collegiate Leadership and Achievement
- Extracurriculars: Tutoring, Translating and Interpreting, Volunteering
- Relevant Coursework: Survey French Lit Culture I & II, Adv French Grammar- Conversation, Adv Spanish Grammar - Comp, Rdgs in Latin America Culture, Geography of Europe, World Economic Economy, Global Issues, International Relations, Comparative Politics, Politics of Europe

## Certifications

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**International Student Advisory Board**, University of South Alabama Sep 2018

**Diplôme D'Études en Langue Française**, DELF A2 Aug 2012

## Academic Projects

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**The Latitude Zero: Ecuador Research Initiative (LOERI)**, Universidad San Francisco de Quito Sep 2020 - Present

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## Relevant Skills

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**Interpersonal Skills:** Leadership, problem solving, fast learner, organization, team work, time management, critical thinking

**Educational Skills:** Research methods, communication, patience, creativity, conflict resolution, RiseVision

## Relevant Professional Experience

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**Student Assistant**, University of South Alabama, *Mobile, Alabama* Aug 2019 - Dec 2020

- Interacted with students and teachers of the Modern and Classical Language and Literature Department by phone, email, or in-person to provide information directed to teachers and other personnel.
- Assisted teachers and other personnel in filing and providing copies and documents when needed
- Managed displays and bulletin boards with updates of the department

## Publications

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**From Crisis to Symphony: Migrants and Refugees in Germany, Spain, and the United Kingdom** Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship University of South Alabama Dec 2020

**La Desesperación de Nuestra Tierra** Phi Sigma Iota - Chi Omega 263 University of South Alabama Spring 2020

**Newsletter: German Campus Week 2020** Modern and Classical Languages and Literature Jul 2020

## Presentations

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## Awards & Honors

**President / Member, Phi Sigma Iota** September - Present

- Communicating within the organization and the advisor, involving the membership by delegating specific tasks, and assessing the overall success of the group
- Holding and directing meetings, on old and new business and acting as a host of PSI events
- Participating in the planning and implementation of the Fall Induction Ceremony

**Universidad San Francisco de Quito Student Research Grant , University of South Alabama** Aug 2020

- Awarded to students participating in the Latitude Zero: Ecuador Research Initiative (LOERI) project

**Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship, University of South Alabama** Jun 2020 - Dec 2020

- Awarded to high achieving and outstanding academic students to conduct undergraduate research during the summer

**Honors Fellowship, University of South Alabama** Jun 2020

- Awarded to outstanding students to provide a stipend to cover 1 credit honors class

**Phi Sigma Iota Chapter Scholarship, University of South Alabama** Jun 2020

- Awarded to outstanding accomplishment in the study or teaching of a foreign language

**Jacqueline Quinn Gray Scholarship in French , University of South Alabama** Apr 2019

- Awarded to an outstanding student studying french

**Margaret Pol Stock Foreign Language Scholarship, University of South Alabama** Apr 2019

- Awarded to an outstanding student showing excellence in more than one foreign language

**Presidents's List, University of South Alabama** Fall 2018 - Summer 2020

- Awarded to students achieving GPA of 4.0/4.0 during the semester

**Dean's List, University of South Alabama** Fall 2016 - Fall 2020

- Awarded to students achieving GPA of 3.5/4.0 or higher during the semester

## Volunteering Experience

**Mentor Volunteer, Mentor Collective** May 2020 - Dec 2020

- Served as a mentor for incoming freshman on their academic journey
- Supported students to become autonomous learners and agents of their own change
- Helped with student's aspirations and fears, and supported their success by acting as an advocate for their best interest

**Service Learning Volunteer, University of South Alabama** Jun 2020 - Dec 2020

- Called incoming freshmen to advise them about their first semester
- Supported incoming students in attending orientation sessions
- Provided needed information for their studies and answering open questions regarding their first semester

**Greeter, Friends of International** Jul 2018 - Dec 2019

- Helped set up events and meetings for the organization
- Greeted international students to feel welcome and advise them when help needed

**Greeter, Global USA** Jun 2017 - Dec 2019

- Greeted international students as they arrive for their study at the University of South Alabama
- Used communication and leadership skills to assist international students in finding their way around campus

## Languages

**German:** Native

**English:** Fluent

**French:** High Advanced / Fluent

**Spanish:** High Advanced / Fluent