

# Melanie Bott

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## EDUCATION

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### Utah State University

College of Humanities and Social Sciences | Jon M. Huntsman School of Business

Logan, UT

*B.S. Sociology and Finance*

Dec 2018

- GPA: 4.00
- Presidential Scholarship Recipient: full 4-year academic scholarship based on merit, Regents Scholar, Utah Sterling Scholar in Social Sciences, Academic Olympiad Scholarship recipient
- Study Abroad at Georgian American University (*Tbilisi, Georgia, Jun 2016- Aug 2016*): Studied politics and society in post-Soviet Georgia and Armenia
- Honors Student: Top 2.5% of University students
- Undergraduate Research Fellow: Presented mentorship research at academic conferences in Boston in Nov 2016 and Portland in April 2017
- Human Rights and Social Justice Ambassador: One of 15 students awarded a scholarship to plan and carry out activities promoting human rights and social justice in the USU community
- Relevant Coursework: Financial Management, Corporate Finance, Financial Institutions

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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### USU Department of Sociology, Social Work, and Anthropology

Logan, UT

*Research Assistant*

Apr 2017- Present

- Transcribed and analyzed data for 100+ structured interviews of inexperienced female farm owners in Illinois and Ohio managing 60-200 acres of corn and soybeans
- Produced data-based report for American Farmland Trust recommending training on farm leasing management practices, soil health and facilitating networking opportunities to improve learning circles for female farm owners

*Sociology Peer Advisor*

Aug 2016 - May 2017

- Responsible to advise over 400 students concerning academic schedules and career opportunities
- Organized monthly service projects and career information sessions for students
- Created, distributed, and analyzed pre and post tests for essential Sociology courses

### American Research Institute of the Southern Caucasus

Yerevan, Armenia & Tbilisi, Georgia

*Intern*

Jun 2016 - Jul 2016

- Analyzed event data and social media presence for a non-profit supporting research in the Southern Caucasus
- Presented findings and recommended changes to social media strategies for the branches in Armenia and Azerbaijan to enhance grant efforts

## VOLUNTEER SERVICE

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### The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints

Sacramento, CA

*Missionary Training Leader*

Jul 2014 - Jan 2016

- Provided training in technical teaching and personal motivation to groups of 50-100 missionaries on a monthly basis
- Maintained 80+ hour work week for 18 months

## SKILLS / OTHER

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- Research paper on impact of Armenian culture on foreign policy accepted into the Northeastern Political Science Association conference. Proficiency in Excel and SPSS
- Member of No Lost Generation (refugee services) chapter at USU: Organized and lead school supply drive for local refugees
- Interests: Yoga, completed two half-marathons and one 120-mile relay race. Member, USU intramural ultimate frisbee team