MacKenzie Sestak

Careers for Political Science Majors in Federal Contracting

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Woodburn Hall 218
5pm

Mrs. Sestak graduated from Indiana University, Bloomington in 2001 with degrees in Political Science and History. As a student, MacKenzie worked in the Political Science Library, the Ostrom Workshop for Political Theory and Policy Analysis, was an RA in Wright Quad, and was active in IUSA.

After graduation, MacKenzie moved to Seattle, WA where she worked in law, focusing on international patents, domestic trademarks, corporate affairs, trade secret enforcement and litigation. Working for small and large software companies, MacKenzie worked across all levels of commercial and government contracting, with a focus on federal acquisitions and facility security. MacKenzie’s professional experiences includes roles as a business analyst, corporate trainer, software product development/visioning/UI experience, QA testing, technical writing, and operations management.

For Accenture Federal Services, MacKenzie currently leads the Subcontracts Treasury practice area and oversees about 1.5 billion of contractual and funding actions on behalf of the organization in delivery to the federal government. She is passionate about developing the contracting skills of her team, contributing to the field of contract management, and helping others who have in interest in government learn how business and government can work together via federal procurement and acquisitions. From 2008 – 2010 MacKenzie lived in Belgium where she earned a graduate degree from the Univ of Oklahoma in Masters of Arts, with an emphasis in government and international relations.

In her free time, MacKenzie is married to an active duty soldier in the U.S. Army and they are blessed with two young, busy kids. Her volunteer activities include the USO, HOA board, and mentoring with the NCMA young professionals program; currently residing in the Washington D.C. area.