

# Frank Flacon

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## EDUCATION

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### Degrees

<b>Bachelor of Arts in Development Economics</b>	<i>Spring 2020</i>
<b>Bachelor of Arts in Global Development Studies</b>	<i>Spring 2020</i>
<b>Bachelor of Arts in Creative Innovation (Student Designed)</b>	<i>Spring 2020</i>
<b>Major</b> <i>Seattle Pacific University (SPU), Seattle WA</i>	

### Relevant Academic Endeavors

**Study Abroad, South Water Caye Belize** *Winter 2019*

- Studied historical cultural formation of Belizean diversity through interviews with locals, class sessions, and heritage site visits (Mayan ruins at Xunantunich).
- Researched coral reef ecology, including impacts of human activity on coral reefs, fish and algae identification, and animal survival behavior.

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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Global and Country-Level Economic Development Issues, Entrepreneurial Development, Environmental Sustainability, Evaluative Ability of Research Methods and Modeling Systems, Education Institutions,

## RESEARCH & DATA ANALYSIS EXPERIENCE

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**Lead Researcher and Data Manager** *Fall 2019*

**Institution:** School of Business, Government, and Economics at Seattle Pacific University

**Project:** *The Effects of Tourism on Economic Growth Within the European Union*

- Project design, research, report and coordination for team of undergraduate students which included outlining individual tasks/responsibilities and synthesizing group efforts in a cohesive and vetted document.
- Data analytics using Stata to analyze panel-series data compiled from Eurostat and The World Bank Data in a linear regression model through incorporating main explanatory and control variables.

**Lead Literary Researcher and Academic Writer** *Spring 2019*

**Institution:** School of Business, Government, and Economics at Seattle Pacific University

**Project:** *The Impact of Visual Communication on Global Awareness and Development Issues*

- In-depth research through advanced online archival databases for articles representing interdisciplinary concepts at a high academic level, including discernment of most relevant articles to include in a limited space academic review.
- Summarization of interdisciplinary sources, both visual and literary, that cohesively reflected previous academic findings/theory, and individual interpretation and conclusions.

## RESEARCH & DATA ANALYSIS EXPERIENCE CONTINUED

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### **Business Plan Curator and Innovator of Thrive Systems Inc.**

*Fall 2018 - Spring 2019*

**Institution:** School of Business, Government, and Economics at Seattle Pacific University

**Project:** *Innovation of Thrive Systems Inc. Inventory/Ecommerce-Platform Software for Resale*

- Development of and relevant research for an all encompassing business plan Including executive summary, market research, operations and finance/risk aspects.
- Web-based research regarding social impacts in reference to textile vs. resale industries' environmental effects, and the profitability/sustainability of the resale Industry. Resale was found to be a significant means for environmental sustainability as well as an incredibly reliable and growing industry.

### **Grant Co-Writer and Program Development Researcher**

*Winter 2019*

**Institution:** School of Business, Government, and Economics at Seattle Pacific University

**Project:** *Refugee Commercial and Teaching Kitchen for World Relief Seattle*

- Program development and description requiring extensive web-based research into organizational capacity, history, and administration, as well as program sustainability, cost, objective, and potential impact.
- In person relations and online correspondence with grant manager at World Relief Seattle to evaluate stages of grant development and relay information of current project standing at both operational and overall objective level.

## RELATED COURSEWORK

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Macroeconomics of Development	<i>Winter 2020</i>
Quantitative Methods for Decision Making	<i>Fall 2019</i>
Social Enterprise and Social Venture Planning	<i>Fall 2018 - Spring 2019</i>
Introduction to Statistics in Social and Behavioral Sciences	<i>Spring 2019</i>
Global Development Senior Capstone	<i>Winter 2019</i>
Management in the Nonprofit Sector	<i>Winter 2019</i>
Microeconomics of Development	<i>Winter 2019</i>
Entrepreneurship	<i>Fall 2018</i>
Cross-Cultural Psychology	<i>Winter 2018</i>
Issues in Global Health	<i>Winter 2018</i>
Comparative Political Systems	<i>Fall 2017</i>
Global and Urban Ministry	<i>Fall 2015</i>

## HONORS & AWARDS

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Seattle Pacific University Grant	<i>2016 - 2020</i>
Trustees' Scholar Award	<i>2015 - 2019</i>
Ministry Scholarship	<i>2015 - 2019</i>

## HONORS & AWARDS CONTINUED

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Wellspring Kennedy Scholarship	2018 - 2019
Federal Pell Grant	2015 - 2020
Federal SEOG Grant	2016 - 2019
Mills Scholarship	2017 - 2018
Shen Scholarship	2017 - 2018
Katherine Ansart Scholarship	2017 - 2018
Community Foundation Santa Cruz Scholarship	2015 - 2016
Santa Cruz Rotary Scholarship	2015 - 2016
Dean's List	2015 - 2017

## PRESENTATIONS

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### Oral Presentations

- Falcon, F.**, Giese, L., Young, A. (2019, December). *The Effects of Tourism on Economic Growth Within the European Union*, School of Business, Government, and Economics, Seattle, WA
- Falcon, F.**, Johnson, C., Nava, N., (2019, December). *Impacts of Marine Protected Areas on Marine and Coral Reef Ecology: An Overview and History of MPAs*, IZE Biology Field Station and Marine Lab, South Water Caye, Belize
- Falcon, F.**, (2018, March). *Kwashiorkor in Zimbabwe: Causes, Symptoms, and Effects on People of Zimbabwe*, Seattle Pacific University School of Health Sciences, Seattle, WA

### Poster Presentations

- Falcon, F.**, Kennedy, R., Lats, D., Pareyko, S., (2019, April). Thrive Systems Inc. Inventory Tracking and Ecommerce Platform Software for Resale Businesses. Poster presented for the Social Venture Plan Competition at Seattle Pacific University, 2019, Seattle, WA

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

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- Stata
- R and RStudio, SPSS
- Adobe Creative Cloud
- Microsoft Office

## ADDITIONAL RELATED EXPERIENCE

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Courier and Shipping Handler at Seattle Pacific University	Winter 2016-Present
Photographer at Seattle Pacific University	Spring 2016-Present
Photographer at Mount Hermon Conference Center	Summer 2018
Hall Council President at Hill Hall, Seattle Pacific University	Fall 2016 - Spring 2017