

THE BLUE REVIEW

JULY 2021



Hi, my name is Miriam and I am the #HATNOTHATE intern this summer! I am 16 years old and just finished my junior year of high school. I have been involved with Lion Brand Yarn since I was a little girl—I modeled for their catalogs as a toddler and even had my own web series called Made by Miriam on the LBY YouTube channel ([which can be found here](#)).

A fun fact about me is that Shira is my older cousin, and I could not have asked for a better boss this summer!

Today's top priority:
always be kind!



Q&A w/Intern Miriam Bash!

Q

What does your typical day look like as a #HATNOTHATE Intern?

A

I always start my day by making a master to-do list with Shira, which I then use to guide the rest of our day. The list typically gets longer, as Shira is constantly giving me things to remind her. I usually try to knock off a couple of easier tasks first thing in the morning, before we open the mail and Shira goes live for the Shi Show. Then we spend the afternoon getting organized—finalizing the day's hat count, creating and posting social media content, answering emails, and attending any graphic design or PR meetings Shira might have.



Q

What is your favorite part about interning for Shira and #HATNOTHATE?

A

I love how involved and creative the #HATNOTHATE team has allowed me to be throughout my whole internship. Whether I have thoughts about an Instagram post or a tote bag design, Shira always cares about what I have to say and gives me the freedom to execute my ideas myself. She constantly says that "no idea is a bad idea" and urges me to speak up, even in meetings with other employees! Despite only being an intern, I truly feel that I have made a difference for #HATNOTHATE and that the work I am doing here is valuable and going towards an important cause.

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Q

What surprised you the most about the #HATNOTHATE campaign?

A

Starting from day one, I was blown away by how warm and kind the #HATNOTHATE community is. Each day as we open the mail and read your sweet messages, I am amazed by the magnitude of love and support Shira receives for this important cause. The #BlueSoldiers are a family of people who truly care about one another and want nothing but to spread love and kindness in this sometimes hateful world. As Shira's intern, I was touched by how quickly I was embraced into the community with such open and kind arms!

Q

What is the greatest lesson you have learned from your experience at #HATNOTHATE?

A

The greatest lesson I have learned is also the sentiment that Shira ends the Shi Show with every single day: "always, always, always be kind". If the #HATNOTHATE community can take the time to make over 40,000 hats, then I can take the time to smile at somebody or bring someone up when they are down. I realized that being kind is easy, and it can be as simple as knitting a blue hat.

Reminder:

follow @hat_not_hate on Instagram!



NEW HAT DEADLINE - SEPTEMBER 13TH

HAT REQUIREMENTS:

- ▲ **Handmade hats**
- ▲ **Color:** At least 75% blue
- ▲ **Yarn:** Any blue yarn
- ▲ **Hat Size:** Between 16 and 20 inches
- ▲ **Style:** Beanie hats preferred
- ▲ **Deadline:** September 13th, 2021

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