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EDUCATION

Duke University, Durham, NC

May 2023

- Bachelor of Arts in Public Policy
- Relevant Courses: Race, Genomics, and Society, Global Health Focus Program

North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics, Durham, NC

May 2019

• Relevant Courses: Research in Biology, AP Calculus, AP Chemistry

GPA: 4.86

LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

Communications Team Lead, Center for Global Reproductive Health, Durham, NC

October 2019 - Present

- Manage team of undergraduate and graduate students in the Student Advisory Board to plan Center Events
- Create and edit content for the Center website and Newsletter
- Design figures to help with grant proposals and documents

Residential Life Assistant, North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics, Durham, NC August 2018 - May 2019

- Served as peer support, academic and emotional counseling for 31 residents
- Led hall programs to promote community building within the hall

Mental Health Director, North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics, Durham, NC August 2018 - May 2019

- Worked closely with the counseling department to implement activities for over 650 students
- Collaborated with Student Government to shape the future of classes and workload

Co-President, Sisters for STEM, Durham, NC

May 2018 - May 2019

- Co-founded mentorship program to nurture 13 6th-grade girls and their interest in STEM
- Oversaw research projects for each girl to explore and present their findings in a topic of their choice
- Organized transportation, funding, and partnership with Brogden Middle School

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant, Duke University, Durham, NC

November 2019 - Present

PI: Dr. William Parker, Immune Dysfunction and Evolutionary Mismatch Lab

• Conducted peer-review of experiences with helminth dosing

Independent Project, North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics, Durham, NC January 2018 - September 2018 Hypoglycemic effect of Momordica charantia against Type 2 Diabetes modeled in Bombyx mori

- Designed study on the effect of Momordica charantia in Bombyx mori on hemolymph glucose levels
- Presented research at SNCURCS, NCSEF, and State and National JSHS Competitions
- Published paper in school's research journal: Broad Street Scientific
- Received Top 300 Regeneron STS Scholars Award

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

Adopt-A-Grandparent, Durham Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, Durham NC

October 2019 - Present

- Visit the Center for 2 hours every Saturday
- Listen to residents and provide company
- Aid residents while participating in activities

Junior Volunteer, Presbyterian Medical Center, Charlotte, NC

June 2015 - May 2017

- Assisted for 150+ hours
- Compiled orientation files for the Staffing Office to prepare for new hires
- Managed calls to improve patient experience in the Maternity Ward

SKILLS/HOBBIES

- Skills: Proficient in Adobe Illustrator, Wordpress, French
- Hobbies: Indian Classical Dance, Painting, Drawing, Flute