# **JACOB E. HICKS**

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# Atlanta, Georgia

#### **EDUCATION & HONORS**

### Emory University, Atlanta, GA

Expected May 2020

Bachelor of Arts in Political Science, Minor in Computer Science

- GPA: 3.81/4.0
- Academic Honors: Pi Sigma Alpha Honor Society (President), Omicron Delta Kappa, Alpha Epsilon Upsilon
- Activities: Student Government Association, Oxford Debate Society, Model United Nations, Emory Political Review

#### **PROFESSIONAL & RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

#### **United States House of Representatives**

Washington, DC

Legislative Intern, Office of Congressman Charlie Crist

- Attended research trainings and analyzed legislation in order to support Congressman Crist's staff
- Prepared communications on behalf of Congressman Crist's office to both interest groups and constituents

Legislative Intern, Office of Congresswoman Kathy Castor

May 2019 - June 2019

July 2019 - August 2019

- Conducted in-depth research into a variety of policy areas and attended hearings and briefings
- Logged dozens of constituent comments and improved constituent services by automating data entry of tour requests

#### **Georgia House Democratic Caucus**

Atlanta, GA Spring 2019

Legislative Intern

• Attended fast-paced committee meetings, conducted policy research, and prepared briefings

- Analyzed dozens of pieces of legislation to allow Georgia House Democrats to make informed voting decisions
- Tracked and maintained databases of proposed legislation and policy priorities

#### **Emory University Center for Law and Social Science**

Atlanta, GA

Undergraduate Research Fellow

Fall 2018 - Present

- Conducted research selected for presentation to the MPSA on the impact of Twitter usage by President Trump
- Selected as one of two Political Science/Computer Science students to improve data collection and analysis practices

St. Pete Polls St. Petersburg, FL

Intern

Summer 2018

Supported both state-wide and local polls for political candidates and news organizations

## **Oxford College of Emory University**

Oxford, GA

Student Technology Support Technician

Fall 2016 - Spring 2018

Conducted diagnostics, virus removal, OS installations, and wireless connectivity troubleshooting

## **LEADERSHIP & COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT**

#### College Council, Emory College of Arts and Sciences

Atlanta, GA

President

Spring 2019 - Present

 Led the College Council, Emory University's largest student governance organization, which represents over 5,000 students in the College of Arts and Sciences and directly allocates approximately \$500,000 of student activity fee funds annually

Chief of Staff Spring 2018 – Spring 2019

 Responsible for legislative oversight, retreat planning, shuttle service planning, and other administrative functions for an organization that oversees approximately 200 student organizations

#### Student Alumni Board, Emory University

Oxford, GA

Campus Outreach Chair

Fall 2019 - Present

- Led a committee of students charged with promoting engagement with the Student Alumni Association
- Successfully increased peak social media engagement 239% compared to the 2018-2019 school year

# Student Government Association Senate, Oxford College of Emory University

Oxford, GA

Speaker of the Senate, Sophomore Senator

Spring 2017 - Spring 2018

- Elected by other senators as the head of the legislative branch of the Student Government Association, which allocates approximately \$200,000 annually to 70+ student organizations
- Created and led a Sexual Assault and Misconduct Prevention Committee to host a Week of Action through It's on Us

## **SKILLS & INTERESTS**

- Proficient in Java, M68000 Assembly, and HTML
- Experienced in productivity software such as Microsoft SharePoint, Word, Excel, PowerPoint, and Outlook
- Interests include Photography, Graphic Design, Law, and History