# JACOB E. HICKS

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## **EDUCATION & HONORS**

Emory University, Atlanta, GA

May 2020

Bachelor of Arts in Political Science, Minor in Computer Science

- Latin Honors: Magna Cum Laude
- Academic Honors: Pi Sigma Alpha Honor Society (President), Omicron Delta Kappa, Alpha Epsilon Upsilon
- Other Honors: Heart of Emory Award, Emory College Hall of Fame

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

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

Washington, DC

Legislative Intern

July 2020 - Present

- Answered phones, drafted memos, conducted appropriations research, and supported staff and other interns
- Improved constituent communications by automating the syncing of message batch information from Leidos IQ to Excel

## **Georgia House Democratic Caucus**

Atlanta, GA

Legislative Intern

January 2020 - April 2020

- Trained, supervised, and supported other students as the most senior undergraduate intern
- Developed and implemented systems to overhaul legislative tracking and project assignments

## **United States House of Representatives**

Washington, DC July 2019 - August 2019

Legislative Intern, Office of Congressman Charlie Crist

- Attended CRS 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

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

## **Georgia House Democratic Caucus**

Atlanta, GA

Legislative Intern

January 2019 - April 2019

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

August 2018 - May 2020

- 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

May 2018 - August 2018

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

# **LEADERSHIP & COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT**

# College Council, Emory College of Arts and Sciences

Atlanta, GA

President

Spring 2019 - Spring 2020

- Represented 5,685 students as the President of Emory University's oldest and largest student government
- Restructured our committees and expanded our executive offices to significantly expand student support and services
- Directed and supervised the effective allocation of over \$500,000 in student funds to over 200 student organizations

## Student Alumni Board, Emory University

Atlanta, GA Fall 2019 - Spring 2020

Campus Outreach Chair Led students charged with promoting the Student Alumni Association, growing social media engagement by 239%

# Student Government Association Senate, Oxford College of Emory University

Oxford, GA Spring 2017 - Spring 2018

Speaker of the Senate, Sophomore Senator

Elected by other senators as the head of the legislative branch of the Student Government Association

- Created and led a Sexual Assault and Misconduct Prevention Committee to start an annual Week of Action through It's on Us

#### **SKILLS & INTERESTS**

- Proficient in Photography, Graphic Design, Java Programming, M68000 Assembly Programming, and HTML/Web Design
- Experienced in advanced uses of productivity software such as Microsoft Excel, SharePoint, Word, PowerPoint, and Outlook
- Research Interests include Political Polarization, Elections, Social Media Analysis, Law, and History