

# 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, Office of Congresswoman Kathy Castor*

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**

*Legislative Intern, Office of Congressman Charlie Crist*

July 2019 – August 2019

- 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**

*Campus Outreach Chair*

Fall 2019 – Spring 2020

- 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**

*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
- 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