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EDUCATION

UTHealth School of Public Health
May 2023

August 2021 –

Degrees Pursued: MPH Epidemiology
Cumulative GPA: 4.0

University of Texas at Austin
May 2021

August 2017 –

Degrees Pursued: BS Computational Biology, BSA Mathematics
Certificates: Applied Statistical Modeling, Pre-Health Professions
Cumulative GPA: 3.76

ACTIVITIES AND LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

- **Hope Clinic**

Austin, TX (February 2022-Present)
Volunteer

- Worked with members of underserved communities in Austin to help provide them free healthcare alongside a healthcare team
- Some of the diverse communities I worked with included those African American origin, Hispanic individuals, Afghan refugees, Nepalese immigrants, and other underserved groups
- Assisted in various aspects of clinic such as patient registration, triage, and patient checkout while demonstrating compassion and willingness to learn

- **Court Appointed Special Advocates**

Austin, TX (November 2021-Present)
Volunteer

- Appointed by family court judge to work with abused and neglected children
- Assigned on a case to work directly with a child and listened to the child's needs
- Served as a constant in figure in the role of child I worked with, and provided emotional and social support
- Served as the child's voice in helping the court decide the child's placement
- Complete court reports to present in court
- Took detailed notes of encounters with child and parties relevant for the child's case
- Worked in the best interests of the child

- **Student Society for Global Health at UTHealth Austin Campus**

Austin, TX (October 2021-Present)
Vice President of Operations

- Promoted to Vice President of Operations in February 2022
- Attended weekly officer meetings and general meetings
- Invited speakers from the field of public health to come speak to UTHealth students
- Assisted with managing social media accounts and newsletter
- Helped plan socials and found global health seminars for students to attend
- Assisted in finding public health volunteering opportunities for students at UTHealth Austin Campus

- **Austin Allergy and Asthma Clinic**

Austin, TX (September 2021-Present)

Medical Assistant (Part-time)

- Administered subcutaneous immunotherapy shots and sublingual immunotherapy drops to clinic patients
- Obtained patient vital signs using blood pressure machines, scales, and pulse oximeters
- Assisted with administrative tasks including medical chart filing and scanning, prescription filling, and appointment scheduling
- Conducted allergy skin tests for food and environmental allergens
- Conducted Pulmonary Function Tests with a spirometer for clinic patients
- Assisted in training new medical assistants

- **UT Digestive Health Institute**

Austin, TX (May 2021-Present)

Graduate Researcher

- Worked under the guidance of Dr. Linda “Annie” Feagins and a healthcare team on an investigation studying the connection between the diets of inflammatory bowel disease (IBD) patients and their clinical outcomes. Abstract accepted at Digestive Disease Week conference
- Responsible for attaining consent and contacting patients in clinic and over the phone to help surveys that pertain to their dietary habits
- Responsible for conducting chart review and collecting data using Athena and COMPASS
- Assisted with basic data analysis
- Working on an additional project that investigating inflammatory bowel disease and malnutrition

- **Texas Crohn’s and Colitis Initiative**

Austin, TX (January 2018-Present)

President and Co-Founder

- Hosted meetings where we discussed issues regarding IBD and the stigma behind chronic illness
- Invited speakers to help share their experiences with IBD, along with physicians to speak to our student body about the pathway into pre-health professions
- Fundraised over \$10,000 for Crohn’s and Colitis Foundation of America through their Spin4Cure and Takesteps events to help support IBD patients
- Established virtual IBD patient support groups for college students across Texas
- Established the IBD Chronicles Committee that posts content on Tik Tok to tackle stigma behind chronic illness. Expanding to Youtube soon
- Established Research Committee to help undergraduates find research at UT Austin
- Recognized at CCFA Honored Hero for Austin Takesteps Walk

- **BCH 369 Teaching Team**

Austin, TX (January 2019-July 2021)

Teaching Specialist

- Undergraduate teaching assistant for BCH 369 (Fundamentals of Biochemistry I) taught by Dr. Gail Grabner at the University of Texas at Austin
- Held weekly office hours, exam reviews, and attended lecture in order to enhance the learning environment of the students
- Attained an average 4.8 out of 5 review for my services
- Promoted to the teaching specialist position during the Summer 2021 semester, and my responsibilities included teaching lectures when Dr. Grabner was not available

- **Dell Medical School**

Austin, TX (January 2018-May 2021)

Undergraduate Researcher and Co-Investigator

- Worked under the guidance of Dr. Marisa Izaguirre and Dr. Sujal Rangwala in collaboration with Dell Medical School gastroenterology team on a national research initiative called ImproveCareNow (ICN), which is designed to better the care of patients with inflammatory bowel disease by creating a patient registry
- Entered data into the ICN and analyzing data using programming language R
- Worked on a project aiming to find an ideal biologic and non-biologic concomitant therapy for treating inflammatory bowel disease
- Presented at the Capitol of Texas Undergraduate Research Conference (2018, 2019) and the American Association for Advancement of Science Annual Meeting (2019, 2020)
- **UT Austin Student Government (SG)**
Austin, TX (March 2020-April 2021)
Natural Sciences Representative
 - Attended weekly SG Assembly meetings, where I debated and voted on various pieces of legislature to help support the student body
 - Served on the Financial Affairs Committee, where I assisted with delegating funds to student organizations and SG agencies
 - Served on the Legislative Policy Committee, where I helped revise pieces of legislature to make them presentable to the SG Assembly
- **Texas Punjabi Cultural Association**
Austin, TX (May 2019-April 2021)
Vice President
 - Hosted Punjabi Rodeo, a cross cultural dance festival featuring Texas folk dance and bhangra
 - Coordinated biweekly socials to create a community and sense of belonging amongst members of our organization belonging to East and West Punjab
 - Facilitated biweekly general meetings where we discussed political and current issues affecting the people of Punjab
- **UT Sure Walk**
Austin, TX (August 2018-April 2021)
Volunteer Coordinator
 - Helped coordinate volunteers to help transported students home safely at night, and raised awareness about interpersonal violence at the University of Texas at Austin

AWARDS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- **Crohn's and Colitis Foundation Honored Hero**
 - Recognized for the Austin Spring 2022 Takesteps event for my contributions to the Crohn's and Colitis Foundation, and helping inspire those to help contribute to the cause
- **Friar Society (November 2021)**
 - Inducted into UT Austin's oldest and most prestigious honor society that recognizes those who have made significant contributions to the university
- **Ascension Healthcare Hero (July 2020)**
 - Recognized for commitment to improving patient outcomes through research and service
- **Take Steps Pacesetter (2018, 2019, 2020)**
 - Recognized for raising over 100 dollars for the Crohn's and Colitis Foundation of America in an event called Take Steps
- **Take Steps Hopegiver 2018**
 - Recognized for individually raising over 1,000 dollars for the Crohn's and Colitis Foundation of America in an event called Take Steps
- **University Honors (December 2017 – May 2021)**
 - Recognized for outstanding academic performance