

# Esmeralda Cervantes

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## Education

### University of Notre Dame

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science  
Minor: Latino Studies  
Major GPA: 3.0/4.0

Notre Dame, IN  
May 2018

## Experience

### Mexican American Legal Defense and Education Fund

Education Department Intern

Los Angeles, CA  
June 2016 – July 2016

- Discovered and learned to use art to engage students from a variety of backgrounds
- Drafted correspondence, conducted research, and preformed administrative and programmatic duties

### Institute for Latino Studies

Research Assistant

Notre Dame, IN  
Feb. 2015 – April 2016

- Conducted archival research utilizing National Directory of Latino Elected Officials published by National Association of Latino Elected and Appointed Officials (NALEO)
- Developed attention to detail by ensuring the accuracy of official records

### Notre Dame Security Police

Safebound Safety Patrol Student Officer

Notre Dame, IN  
Sept. 2014 – PRESENT

- Provide transportation to students across campus while promoting a safe environment
- Serve community in a professional, polite and proactive manner

### Foot Locker

Sales Associate

Commerce, CA  
Summer, Winter 2014 - 2015

- Assisted customers with sales and ensured they were satisfied with their visit
- Demonstrated a working knowledge on all products and future release dates
- Mastered the ability to work in a fast-paced environment and become an effective team member

## Projects

### Video Game Design, Fundamentals of Computing II

Spring 2016

- Designed and programmed an intuitive video game using Object Oriented Programming
- Incorporated algorithms for collisions detection and used concepts such as composition
- Collaborated with a team member and used pair programming to enhance teamwork

## Skills

**Software:** Linux/Unix, FileMaker, LabVIEW, Quartus, Simple DirectedMedia Layer (SDL)

**Programming Languages:** MATLAB, C/C++, Python

**Spoken Languages:** Fluent in Spanish

## Volunteer

### La Casa de Amistad, Inc.

Mentor

South Bend, IN  
Sept. 2014 - PRESENT

- Tutor children in middle school and high school in various subjects
- Guide students through the college application process

### Notre Dame Matriculate Chapter

Advising Fellow

Notre Dame, IN  
Jan. 2016 - PRESENT

- Guide and support high-achieving, low-income high school students across the country as they navigate the college admissions process and provide them with tools to succeed

## Activities

Hispanic Engineers and Scientists (Sept. 2014 - PRESENT)

Latino Student Alliance (Sept. 2014 - PRESENT)

Balfour Hesburgh Scholars (June 2014 - PRESENT)

Dome Yearbook (Sept. 2015 – Jan. 2016)