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## EDUCATION

**University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign (UIUC)** | GPA NA/4.0 2024 - Present

- Grainger College of Engineering, Department of Bioengineering, Pre-med Track
- Coursework: Calculus, Chemistry, Engineering Seminar, Physics, Orchestra

**Glenbrook South High School (GBS)** | GPA 4.9/4.0 2020 - 2024

- Coursework: Biology, Calculus, Chemistry, Computer Science, Engineering, Medical Technology, Physics, Statistics
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## PUBLICATIONS

- [1] Jamison Kerney, **John Raicu**, Kyle Chard, Ioan Raicu. "Towards Fine-grained Parallelism in Parsl", High-level Parallel Programming Models and Supportive Environments Workshop 2024, co-located with IEEE IPDPS 2024
  - [2] **John Raicu**, Valerie Hayot-Sasson, Kyle Chard, and Ian Foster. "Navigating the Molecular Maze: A Python-Powered Approach to Virtual Drug Screening", under review at IEEE/ACM SuperComputing/SC 2023
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## PRESENTATIONS

- "Navigating the Molecular Maze: A Python-Powered Approach to Virtual Drug Screening", IEEE/ACM SC 2023 11/23
  - "ParSI Dock: Accelerating Virtual Drug Screening with Parallelism and Machine Learning", ParSI Fest 2023 10/23
  - "Navigating the Molecular Maze: A Python-Powered Approach to Virtual Drug Screening", Globus Labs, UChicago 08/23
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## AWARDS

**Outstanding Senior Award** | Glenbrook South High School 2024  
**Eileen Gamble Memorial Scholarship Award** | Glenbrook South High School 2024  
**Play the Music Award** | Glenbrook South High School 2024  
**Athletic Scholar Award** | Tennis @ Glenbrook South High School 2024  
**1st Place Gold Medal & 5th/6th/5th/19th Team Place** | Illinois Chess High School Championship 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024  
**Athletic Award & Academic Athletic Award** | Soccer & Tennis @ Glenbrook South High School 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024  
**2nd Place ACM SRC** | ACM Undergraduate Student Research Competition at IEEE/ACM SC 2023

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## WORK EXPERIENCE

**Tutor** | Glenbrook South High School, Titan Learning Center 2022 - 2024  
▪ Tutored GBS students for 200 hours in algebra I/II, geometry, calculus, biology, chemistry, Spanish

**Research Assistant** | Globus Labs, University of Chicago Summer 2023  
▪ Ten-week paid internship working under the mentorship of Professors Kyle Chard and Ian Foster  
▪ Explored K-Nearest Neighbors machine learning algorithm to accelerate virtual drug screening

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## COMMUNITY SERVICE

**Volunteering/Shadowing** | Dr. Thomas Gleason, Orthopedic Surgeon, Illinois Bone & Joint Institute 2023  
**Volunteering/Shadowing** | Dr. Victor Marinescu, Cardiologist, Midwest Cardio. Inst. Naperville 2023  
**Musical Therapy** | Performed classical music at Warren Barr Lieberman & Arbor Terrace Senior Living 2020, 2023  
**Fundraiser** | Performed holiday music for a fundraiser at the Romanian Community Center 2022

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## EXTRACURRICULARS

**Philharmonia Orchestra @ UIUC** 1st Violin (2024 - Present)  
**GBS Medical Chapter Club** Member (2020 - 2023) | Outreach Coord. (2022 - 2023) | **President** (2023 - 2024)  
**Glenbrook Symphonic Orchestra** 2nd Violin (2020 - 2021) | 1st Violin (2021 - 2023) | **Principal Chair** (2023 - 2024)  
**Musical Instruments** Violin (2010 - Present) & Piano (2015 - Present) at Music Institute of Chicago, Laughlin School of Music, and Private Instruction

**GBS Variety Show (\*Band Lead)** \*Dangerous (2022), \*Pirates of the Caribbean (2023), Sunny Side of the Street (2023), \*Concerto for Four Violins (2024), \*Tico Tico (2024), Snow Angel by Paige & The Angels (2024), Survivor (2024)

**GBS Chess Team** Board 3 (2021) | Board 5 (2022) | Board 4 (2023) | **Team Captain** Board 2 (2024)  
**GBS Tennis Team** 2nd Singles (2021) | 1st Singles JV (2022) | 3rd Singles Varsity (2023)  
**GBS Soccer Team** **Team Captain** 1st Singles Varsity (2024)  
Striker (2020) | Striker (2021) | Left Wing Junior Varsity (2022)

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## SKILLS

**Languages:** English (*native*), Romanian (*native*), Spanish (*fluent*); Illinois State Seal of Biliteracy for English & Spanish  
**Programming:** Java (*intermediate*), Python (*intermediate*), Matlab (*intermediate*), HTML (*intermediate*), Latex (*intermediate*)  
**Tools:** Jupyter Notebook, GitHub, Overleaf, Docker, UTM, Linux, Photoshop, iMovie, Fusion360, MS Office (doc/xls/ppt)