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EDUCATION

MPH in Epidemiology, Certificate: Applied Biostatistics and Public Health Data Science Expected May 2026
Columbia University Mailman School of Public Health

- GPA: 4.13

Bachelor of Science in Biology, Minor in Biomedical Research, Minor in Public Health Graduated 2024
University of California, Los Angeles

- GPA: 3.95; Honors: Cum Laude, Departmental Honors, Dean's Honor List

WORK EXPERIENCE

Columbia-WHO Center for Global Mental Health

Research Assistant

September 2025 – Present

Columbia University Mailman School of Public Health

Quantitative Foundations Teaching Assistant

August 2025 – Present

Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF)

Migration and Health Research Intern, CDMX, México

May – August 2025

- Conducted literature reviews and composed written briefs on: (1) the state of sexual and reproductive health among migrants in Latin America, (2) the state of Indigenous Mayan health in Guatemala
- Completed data analysis using R on data from MSF's project clinics and data visualization/mapping using Excel and QGIS on publicly available data in México, which may inform future operational proposals within MSF
- Supported on other data analysis tasks using SAS
- Successfully navigated a primarily Spanish-speaking humanitarian INGO work environment in office and fieldwork settings

The Lloyd-Smith Lab at UCLA

Undergraduate Student Researcher

May 2022-June 2024

- Conducted 4 quarters of independent research, culminating in an epidemiology research paper with novel findings analyzing risk factors for fecal pathogens in Los Angeles mammals
- Presented findings at [UCLA's 2024 Undergraduate Research Week](#)
- Accurately followed research protocols in laboratory environment; assisted in weekly coyote necropsies, conducted internal and external exams of the animals, handled laboratory equipment
- Wrote a senior thesis comprised of all the work done for various projects in the lab, findings, and implications for future research

Undergraduate Lab Manager for LA Mammals Project

September 2023-May 2024

- Scheduled shifts for 6 other undergraduate researchers and oversaw lab access, including laboratory specimen access to ensure timely access to materials

LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

The Middle Eastern Student Association (MESA) at UCLA

Co-President

Summer 2023-June 2024

- Lead a board of 13 members and a general body of over 500 members, ran weekly meetings, created event ideas for the Middle Eastern student community at UCLA, delegated tasks among board members, collaborated on events or fundraising initiatives with other student groups, and navigated a sponsorship with local business Falafel Inc.
- Raised over \$30,000 for various relief organizations that uplift communities in the Middle East, including over \$22,000 for the Palestine Children's Relief Fund, over \$500 for ANERA, and an art auction to fundraise for families in Gaza

Advocacy Chair

Summer 2022-Summer 2023

- Organized events for the UCLA Middle Eastern student population on stigmatized topics of conversation in Middle Eastern communities
- Coordinated a fundraiser and clothing drive for victims of the Turkey-Syria earthquake in 2023, raised over \$2,000 for relief plus many clothing donations