

# PRIYANKA KAR

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## EDUCATION

**The University of Texas at Austin**

Major: *Biology BSA, Honors*

Minor: *Evolutionary and Functional Anatomy*

Health Science Scholar

May/2021

GPA: 3.53

## EXPERIENCE

**Corpus Christi Institute of Cosmetic and Plastic Surgery- Shadowing;** Corpus Christi, TX

May 2018

- 40 hours of shadowing experience with multiple surgeons specializing in different cosmetic procedures

**Vertebrate Interactome Mapping Lab - Research Assistant;** Austin, TX

Jan 2018-Present

- Conduct genetic lab research that investigates the function of various protein complexes involved in gene expression
- Study the interactions of DHX36 motif II in regulating RNA splicing and inducing cell apoptosis

**American Heart Association – Summer Intern;** Corpus Christi, TX

June 2017- July 2017, June 2018- July 2018

- Summer office intern at a national organization aimed to build healthier lives free from heart-related disease
- Contact and distribute information to sponsors and teams for the annual Heart Walk fundraiser
- Assist in designing flyers and brochures to distribute around the city to raise heart health awareness and announce fundraising events

**Christus Spohn South Hospital- Summer Volunteer;** Corpus Christi, TX

June 2017- July 2017, June 2018- July 2018

- Take patient vital signs, delivering samples, observe various emergency room procedures
- Answering calls, directing visitors, and managing the front desk on hospital floors
- Tend to patient needs such as bringing meals, restocking cabinets, and delivering ice and blankets

## LEADERSHIP & ACTIVITIES

**The Project- Team Lead;** Austin, TX

October 2018- Present

- Official Kick-off host Team Lead of the largest community improvement and outreach day in Austin
- Greet volunteers and VIPS, host executive briefings, and organize displays and schedules for the Kick-off day

**Sci Co- Mentor;** Austin, TX

September 2018- Present

- Member of the first US branch of a mentorship program that entertains scientific issues to the public
- Regularly mentor and guide a young student facing significant non-academic needs to take an active interest in STEM-related pursuits
- Conduct engaging science experiments in pop up booths in Austin parks to garner public interest in STEM

**The Daily Texan Newspaper- Head Editorial Illustrator;** Austin, TX

August 2017- Present

- Head of the illustration team of the Opinion department at a large-scale college newspaper
- Organize and collaborate in meetings between illustrators and various news departments
- Create illustrations and page design for the daily newspaper circulation

**Health Science Scholars- *Honors Student*, Austin, TX**

August 2017- Present

- Member of the University of Texas Honors program in the College of Natural Sciences for motivated students pursuing a future in a health-related career
- Guidance to freshman students within the honors program
- Participate in various health-related volunteering events in the local community

**Optimist Coastal Bend Chess Federation- *Event Planner & Instructor*; Corpus Christi, TX**

May 2017-Present

- Instructor in various elementary and middle school summer chess clubs
- Organize local chess tournaments in collaboration with schools and youth organizations
- Recruit teen volunteers for local charity chess events

## **SKILLS**

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**Technical /Computer Skills:** Proficient in Microsoft Office (Word, Powerpoint, Excel, Publisher), Rstudio, Adobe Illustrator CC, Adobe InDesign

**Languages:** Intermediate knowledge of Spanish, Fluent in Bengali

**Certifications:** CPR certified (2018-Present)