Uma Kasichainula

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Education

University of Massachusetts Amherst

Bachelor of Arts in Economics with a Minor in Theater, earned in May 2024

Starting a Master of Science in Data Analytics and Computational Social Science in Fall 2024

Relevant Coursework

Stratification Economics, Economics of Women, Minorities, and Work, Economics and Ethics, Principles of Financial Accounting, Public Finance, Intermediate Microeconomics, Intermediate Macroeconomics, Marxian Economics

Academic Projects

Racial Wealth Gap Research Project, Stratification Economics, Fall 2023

- Completed a review of Differential Rates of Return and Racial Wealth Inequality which entailed:
- Studying and summarizing the project and writing a six-page paper
 - Evaluating the quality of writing and its presentation of the issues addressed in the paper Analyzing the solutions the paper presented for closing the racial wealth gap

Distributive Justice Evaluation, Economics and Ethics, Fall 2023

- Studied both Rawls and Nozick's Theories of Justice and presented a position to the class involving:
- Looking at the two theories and writing a lecture to teach the class about the subject Discussing and debating the various benefits and drawbacks of both theories

Crafting a presentation that asserted which theory was more equitable

Work Experience

Project Intern, Greenfield Cooperative Bank, Greenfield MA

June 2024 - Present

- Created a database to track the Bank's CRA contributions and Small Business Loans
- Worked to streamline the loan classification process with the SVP of Strategy and Implementation

Student Librarian, University of Massachusetts Amherst, Amherst, MA

March 2022 - Present

- Managed the organization of the stacks and performed walkthroughs of the facility
- Assisted patrons with questions pertaining to borrowing materials, directions, and technical support

Lights and Sound Technician, *Pleasant Valley High School,* Bettendorf, IA

September 2018 - March 2020

- Set up and operated lights and sound equipment for parties renting an auditorium
- Worked with a Yamaha QL-5 Sound Mixer and an ETC Ion Light Board

Special Skills

Language: Bilingual in English and Spanish, received a Seal of Biliteracy from the State of Iowa

Technology: Received Microsoft Office Certifications for Microsoft Excel and PowerPoint, proficient in Word