

# Gerald Steven Peterson Jr.

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## EDUCATION

**Brown University, *B.A. Philosophy***, | 3.85 GPA Providence, RI | **Expected Graduation May 2026**

- Relevant Courses: Ancient Greek Philosophy, Logic, Introductory Computer Science, Metaethics, Decision Theory

**University College Of London, *Philosophy Affiliate***

London, UK | September – December 2024

- Relevant Courses: Normativity, Metaphysics, Paradoxes

**Heathwood Hall Episcopal School**

Columbia, SC | Class of 2022

Cum Laude Society | President of National Honor Society | Student Body Secretary | Chess State Champion | Varsity Football and Lacrosse Captain

## COMMUNICATION EXPERIENCE

**The Stephen Hopkins Society, *Member***

Providence, RI | March 2025 – Present

- Delivering speeches in bi-monthly formal philosophical debates over moral questions with a thirty-person cohort.
- Collaborated with the society's executive board in producing thought-provoking questions for discussion at these debates.
- Preparation for these debates involves reading relevant philosophical works pertaining to the question, as well as sketching an outline for speeches anticipating potential objections.

**The Brown Spectator, *Writer***

Providence, RI | February 2025 – Present

- Writing one article a semester for *The Brown Spectator* concerning political discourse at Brown, with a focus on philosophical issues underpinning debates.
- Assisting in the copy-editing of other writers' articles, as well as providing criticism to further refine other students' arguments.
- Collaborated with the newspaper's leadership team to produce the first print edition of *The Brown Spectator* in over a decade, distributing hundreds of copies to the student body in May of 2025.

**The Brown Independent Party, *Senior Officer***

Providence, RI | September 2023 – Present

- Assisting in the planning of weekly hour-long informal debates about issues in philosophy, politics, and campus issues.
- Contributing strategy and research for the Independent Party's participation in Brown Political Union debates, as well as debates with parties from other universities.

## LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

**Moses Brown School, *Middle School Lacrosse Coach***

Providence, RI | March 2023 – Present

- Positioned as the head middle school lacrosse coach at Moses Brown School for four years in a row.
- Responsibilities include planning and running practices five days a week in the spring, arranging transportation for the team to and from games, and leading the team in games.
- Responsible for the skill, leadership, and moral development of over 60 players over the course of four years, as well as promoting their overall well-being.

**Brown Lacrosse Club, *Captain***

Providence, RI | September 2022 – Present

- Collaborating to plan and lead the Brown Lacrosse Club through three practices a week throughout the school year.
- Scheduling games for the season, as well as arranging transportation to and from the games for the team.
- Led the team to an Ivy League club championship victory in May 2025.

**Heathwood Hall Afternoon Express, *Chess Instructor/Day Counselor***

Columbia, SC | May 2021 – September 2022

- Supervised twenty Kindergarten children throughout each summer work day and helped with their reading and artistic development.
- Held a weekly chess camp over the summer and through the school year, teaching chess to twenty kids aged from 6-14.
- Responsible for the well-being of dozens of children throughout my two summers of working at Heathwood AE.

## WORK EXPERIENCE

**Blu on the Water, *Expeditor and Food Runner***

East Greenwich, RI | May 2025 – September 2025

- Worked over the summer as an expeditor and food runner for Blu on the Water.
- Responsibilities include arbitrating communication between the kitchen staff and serving staff to facilitate the timely delivery of food to customers, running food to tables, and assisting in the bussing/cleaning necessary for the restaurant.
- Served an average of 500 meals a day while working around 40 hours a week with a staff of around thirty people.

**The Old Faithful Inn, *Server***

Old Faithful, WY | June, 2023 – August, 2024

- Spent two summers in Yellowstone National Park, working in all of the front-of-the-house positions, including running, hosting, bussing, and serving in the Old Faithful Inn's historical dining room.
- As a server, I was responsible for fulfilling the needs of over five tables at a time, communicating with over 70 employees in the front-of-the-house and kitchen each shift to facilitate customer satisfaction.

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- Working over 50 hours a week for the Old Faithful Inn, open for breakfast, lunch, and dinner, serving an average of 800 tourists in the park a day.

## SKILLS & INTERESTS

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**Skills:** Mac, Google Apps, Adobe Apps, Basic Java

**Interests:** Chess, radio DJ, football, lacrosse, hiking, camping