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Curriculum Vitae

EDUCATION

Penn State University

Aug. 2023 - Expected to Graduate May 2027

College of Liberal Arts (Bachelor of Science) in progress

University Park, PA

- Relevant Coursework: AP Psychology, PSYCH 105, PSYCH 212, PSYCH 243, PSYCH 260, SOC 5H, AP Statistics
- Nominated for Chaiken Trustee Scholarship, made Dean's List as a first year scholar
- Actively pursuing Pre-Med Track

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Laboratory of Personality, Psychopathology, and Psychotherapy Research

Mar. 2024 - Present

Undergraduate Research Assistant

University Park, PA

- Transcribed various therapy sessions for researcher-benefit
- Engaged in weekly meetings teaching about current content relevant to the field of psychology

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

KidStep Sunday School

Sep. 2021 - Present

Program Leader

Hershey, PA

- Facilitated Sunday School classes for the youth
- Fostered kids in their faith and lead meaningful discussion

Hershey Free Church Missions Trips

Jul. 2018 - Present

Youth Ministry Member

Hershey, PA

- Participated in annual summer missions trips to varying locations nationwide
- Supported struggling communities spiritually, emotionally and physically through hosting VBS and community events
- Repaired houses through flooring, mudding, painting and construction in a post-flooded city

DTSD ECC C.A.P.

Aug. 2022 - Jun. 2023

Teacher Assistant

Hershey, PA

- Participated in a Classroom Assistant program where I aided a teacher in teaching her Kindergarten class
- Progressed children in their academic journeys
- Facilitated a fun and safe learning environment for young students to thrive in

LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

Growth and Development Club

Mar. 2024 - Present

Co-Founder/Treasurer

University Park, PA

- Aided underclassmen in their transition into college
- Encouraged students in their self development and improvement goals
- Managed finances and budgeting for club events and material
- Organized fundraisers for club funds

LinkCrew

Sep. 2021 - Present

Leader

Hershey, PA

- Hosted weekly seminar classes for upcoming and current freshman
- Provided a smooth segue for underclassmen in their transition to high school

Orchestra Leadership Council

Aug. 2017 - Jun. 2023

Violin Section Leader

Hershey, PA

- Unanimously voted for as violin section leader 8th grade through high school
- Advocated for the violins during biweekly leadership council meetings
- Conducted lesson plans for our current repertoire and executed them in practice workshops with my section

Hershey Soccer Club

Oct. 2016 - May 2022

Co-Captain

Hershey, PA

- Demonstrated leadership and reliability on my club soccer team through consistent performance and critical judgment skills
- Boosted team morale through positive attitude and good sportsmanship

WORK EXPERIENCE

PSU EcoReps

Jan. 2024 - Current

Student Sustainability Ambassador

University Park, PA

- Promoted environmentally friendly practices by offering reusable products across campus dining halls
- Educated peers through first year seminar presentations about sustainability
- Facilitated and engaged in a multitude of organized events around campus promoting sustainability and well-being
- Organized and managed recycling and compost management in the President's Suite during football games

Chipotle Mexican Grill

Oct. 2020 - Present

Crew Member

Hershey, PA

- Multi-tasked with multiple positions simultaneously
- Exemplified social skills through customer service and communication
- Trained new employees and facilitated a positive and productive restaurant environment

Babysitting

Oct. 2020 - Present

Babysitter

Hershey, PA

- Effectively communicated the respective needs of multiple children between themselves and their parents
- Demonstrated an ideal example for youth to follow in my demeanor
- Established firm yet unprovoking authority to maintain an appropriate environment

SelahArt Group

Oct. 2020 - Present

Instructor

Lebanon, PA

- Composed and carried out lesson plans for various Korean instruments and dances
- Represented the organization as a main instructor and captain during performances for esteemed audiences
- Volunteered at summer camp programs for overseas Korean adoptees, inspiring pride in The youth and their families

CERTIFICATIONS AND SKILLS

▪ **Certifications:**

- CITI Human Subjects Research IRB Certification Biomedical Course
- CITI Human Subjects Research IRB Certification Social and Behavioral Human Subjects Research Course
- CITI OSHA Bloodborne Pathogens Certification
- Penn State Reporting Suspected Child Abuse Training
- Mandated Reporter Training
- REDCap Training
- Information Security Awareness Training - Office of Information Security

- **Skills:** leadership, time management, critical thinking, public speaking, cooperation