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Third-year Undergraduate Pre-Dental Student at the University of Florida. Seeking clinical experience in dentistry.

Education

University of Florida , Gainesville, FL	July 2022 to May 2026
Bachelor of Science in Microbiology and Cell Science	
Minor in Health Disparities in Society	
GPA: 3.77	
<i>Honors:</i> Florida Academic Scholar (Full tuition awarded), University Scholars Program Award Recipient (\$1,750 Stipend)	
<i>Organizations:</i> Footprints Buddy and Support Program, Asian American Student Union, Pre-Dental American Student Dental Association	
<i>Relevant Coursework:</i> General Chemistry I/II, Organic Chemistry I/I, Biology I/II, Microbiology, Biochemistry, Molecular Genetics, Physics I	
Windermere High School , Windermere FL	August 2019 to May 2022
GPA: 5.259/4.0	
<i>Honors:</i> Top 1% of graduating class, Cambridge AICE Diploma Graduate, AP Scholar	

Experience

Tran Family Dentistry , Orlando, Florida	
Dental Assistant (12 hours/week)	May 2024 to August 2024
- Assisted chairside during dental procedures - Set up and took down equipment before and after dental procedures - Sterilized dental instruments	
Entomology and Nematology Department , University of Florida	
Undergraduate Scholars Program (8 hours/week)	February 2024 to Present
- Conducted experiments to determine <i>Drosophila melanogaster</i>'s taste sensitivity and consumption rates with varying concentrations of natural and artificial sweeteners - Presented research findings in the 2025 UF Spring Undergraduate Research Symposium	
Student Intern (5 hours/week)	September 2023 to February 2024
- Quantified and characterized the composition of the insect microbiome through colony-forming unit quantification and morphological characterization performing statistical analysis and preparing figures in RStudio - Utilized sterile laboratory techniques while handling glycerol stocks, inoculating insect microcosms, performing serial dilutions, and preparing LB agar plates - Presented research findings in the 2024 UF Spring Undergraduate Research Symposium	
UF Health Shands Hospital , Gainesville, Florida	
Footprints Volunteer (3 hours/week)	August 2023 to Present
- Interacted with pediatric patients with various medical conditions to provide emotional support and companionship during their hospital stay - Enhanced the well-being of young patients by offering a sense of normalcy, play, and social interaction during difficult times	
Asian American Student Union , University of Florida	
President	April 2024 to Present
- Presided all meetings of the AASU Executive Board and AASU general body of 500+ members - Coordinated the annual Unity Banquet, bringing together 200+ members from AASU's 8 sub-organizations and programs to celebrate community accomplishments - Served as a liaison between APID students, student government and university administration	
APIAVote , Washington D.C.	April 2024 to Present
Campus Ambassador	
- Programmed <i>Bite the Ballot</i>, a voter education event in collaboration with 6 other student organizations at UF to our collective community on their rights as citizens, the importance of exercising the right to vote, and the proper steps to register to vote - Programmed a 3-day voter registration tabling event, accumulating over 50+ voters registered and pledged to vote	

Certifications and Skills

Certified Nursing Assistant Certification	August 2022
Certified to perform basic nursing care and assistance to patients in various healthcare settings under the supervision of licensed nurses.	
Basic Life Support Certification	August 2022
- Completed training in life-saving techniques, such as CPR and automated external defibrillator (AED) usage - Equipped to provide essential medical assistance during emergencies like cardiac arrest, choking, or other life-threatening situations.	
BACE (Biotechnician Assistant Credentialing Exam) Certification	March 2021
Demonstrated competence and knowledge in the field of biotechnology and qualifications for related job roles in the industry	

