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EDUCATION

Fordham University, Bronx, NY

Bachelor of Science in Biological Sciences, Psychology Minor, Pre-medical student; GPA: 3.53

May 2025

RELEVANT COURSEWORK

Introductory and Advanced Biology, Chemistry, Psychology, Math

AWARDS AND HONORS

College Board African American Scholar Recognition and Full Tuition Scholarship, Dean's List Fall 2021, Dean's List Fall 2023, Dean's List Spring 2024

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

The National Library of Patient Rights and Advocacy

Senior Research Associate

Remote

July 2024 – Present

- Fully volunteer initiative recognized by the National Library of Medicine as one of the few digital libraries exclusively dedicated to patient information and education.
- Provides reliable sources for information on medical conditions, treatments, and features interviews with various healthcare providers and professionals.
- Currently contributing to two literature reviews focused on medical mistrust and the rising maternal mortality and morbidity rates in the United States. Both papers will be published in the *Journal of Medical Sociology and Public Health*, the organization's quarterly journal dedicated to patient-related issues in medical sociology and public health.

G.I.F.T.S (Grace, Intention, Forgiveness, Truth/Trauma, Story) Lens Study

Research Assistant

New York, NY

June 2023 – Present

- Collaborated with Professor S.P. Brown on the "Finding Your Strength Through Strife, G.I.F.T.S Lens" study on interpersonal and childhood trauma, resilience, and post-traumatic growth.
- Conducted a literature review focused on the effects of adverse childhood experiences (ACEs) on mental and physical health.
- Presented findings on "Trauma, Truth, and Story: The Effects of Adverse Childhood Experiences on Physical, Mental, and Social Health" at a research presentation event attended by 8 healthcare professionals and academics.
- Currently working on expanding this study to determine if the G.I.F.T.S Lens can be an effective tool in increasing post-traumatic growth and resilience in trauma survivors.

Expanding the Pipeline to Graduate Research in Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementias

Intern

Boston, MA

May 2023 – Jul 2023

- National Institute of Health (NIH) fully funded 8-week summer education and research training program that took place at both the George Washington University and Boston University.
- Trained in RStudio programming and became certified in Responsible Conduct of Research (RCR).
- Learned about Epidemiology and Biostatistics in the context of Alzheimer's and Related Dementias (ADRD).
- Contributed to a group research project focused on whether psychosocial wellbeing is a protective factor against developing Alzheimer's disease and related dementias in the Framingham Heart Study.
- Drafted and presented a PowerPoint presentation on our findings at the end of the program.
- Resulted in a poster presentation of our findings for the ADAR Summit in Tampa, FL.

Weill Cornell Covid-19 Community Education Empowerment Virtual Internship

Intern

New York, NY

January 2023 – March 2023

- Enhanced knowledge of medical practices involving COVID-19 and pandemics from medical professionals.
- Developed methods on educating others about COVID-19 vaccines and preventative measures.
- Created and presented a capstone project on COVID-19, vaccines, symptoms, and preventative measures.

POSTERS

- Devine, S., Huq, J.D., Scott, M., Rodriguez, M., **Onadeko, D.**, White, J., Nahwaz, M., Osario-Ramirez, S., Rivers, M., Yuvchenko, O., Franklin, C., Liu, C., Ames, H.G., Au, R., Aparicio, HJ., & Ciarleglio, A. (2023, November). Neuroprotective Effects of Psychosocial Wellbeing on Risk of Dementia in the Framingham Study. Presented by cohort at

Advancing Diversity in Aging Research (ADAR) Summit in Tampa, Florida.

PRESENTATIONS

- "G.I.F.T.S. Lens: The Effects of Adverse Childhood Experiences on Physical, Mental, and Social Health," G.I.F.T.S. Lens to Finding Strength in Strife. Fordham University, Bronx, NY, September 2023.
- "Neuroprotective Effects of Psychosocial Wellbeing on Risk of Dementia in the Framingham Study," EPGRAD End-of-Summer Conference. Boston University, Boston, MA, July 2023.

JOB SHADOWING/OBSERVATION

Shiloh Urgent Care

Garland, TX

- Gained 100+ hours of firsthand insight into patient care, medical procedures, and healthcare practices centered around family medicine.
- Developed understanding of medical terminology, diagnostic processes, and treatment protocols.
- Engaged in active learning by asking questions and participating in discussions.
- Demonstrated professionalism and respect for patient confidentiality throughout shadowing experiences.

ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE

Chico's

Garland, TX

Cashier

June 2022 – December 2022

- Aided customers in selecting and purchasing items.
- Increased store sales through interactions with customers, persuasive selling, and understanding the products.
- Provided outstanding customer service.
- Kept customers informed by notifying them of sales and deals.
- Assisted with inventory and organizing products on sales floor.
- Maintained a clear and organized work environment.

Citadel Behavioral Health Services

Garland, TX

Receptionist

July 2021 – Present

- Collect data and help with admission process while maintaining patient dignity and confidentiality.
- Answer and screen incoming inquiry calls for setting appointments.
- Trained in health insurance verification.

SKILLS

Microsoft Word, Microsoft Excel, PowerPoint, Google Slides, Canva, Social Media (Twitter, Instagram, YouTube, TikTok, Snapchat), RStudio Programming, Public Speaking, Responsible Conduct of Research

INTERESTS

Digital and Social Media, Health Education and Advocacy, Journalism, Beauty Services, YouTube and Podcasts, Women's Health, Health Education and Resources for POC and Underrepresented/Underserved Communities