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*Education*

**Bachelor of Science in Biochemistry** **Graduation: December 2022**

*Florida International University (FIU), Miami, FL* GPA: 3.38

Honors: Honors College, Global Learning Medallion, Academy of Leaders (AOL)

Awards/Recognition: Honors College Dean’s List Spring 2020, Dean’s List Fall 2019-Spring 2020, Top Student in CHM 1046 Fall 2019, Pre-IB English Student of the Year May 2015

*Teaching & LAB EXPERIENCE*

**Adjunct Professor**  May 2022 – Present

*General Microbiology Lab****,*** *FIU, Miami, FL*

* Oversee 48+ students making sure they are using the safe and proper laboratory techniques
* Teach and review course content to ensure students understand the purpose of their experiments
* Create quizzes and final exams which adequately test students on their knowledge of the curriculum
* Grade assignments and respond to all questions in a timely manner

**Lab Learning Assistant** January 2022 – Present

*General Biology II Lab, FIU, Miami, FL*

* Oversee 48+ students making sure they are using the safe and proper laboratory techniques
* Ask divergent questions to guide students in the right direction so that they derive their needed answer
* Demo certain techniques, such as Gram Staining, to ensure students know what to do
* Create a safe learning environment for all students free of judgement

**Research Lab**  January 2022 – July 2022

*Biochemistry Research Lab, FIU, Miami, FL*

* Synthesize monomers and polymers and confirm synthesis via confirmation techniques: TLC/GPC
* Test compound stability via Dynamic Light Scattering (DLS) and Zeta Potential Distribution (ZPD)
* Prepare broth and culture bacteria in created ideal conditions for experimentation
* Test the synthesized compound to determine effectiveness/inhibition on *Mycobacterium smegmatis/tuberculosis*

*Professional Experience*

**Oasis Recovery Home Miami** January 2019 – Present

## *Owner, Booking Manager, Miami, FL*

* Create a safe environment for clients looking to book their cosmetic surgery and recovery home services
* Manage and direct 50+ clients daily by providing accurate quotes and detailed itineraries
* Guide patients on how to properly care for themselves post-surgery in terms of nutrition, physical activity, and recommended practices

**Sunglass Hut**  November 2018 – December 2019

## *Sales Associate, Miami, FL*

* Engaged with customers to create a personal connection and achieve/exceed sales objectives
* Stayed up to date with the latest products and popular fashion trends through educational trainings
* Applied self-reporting tools to track individual results and identify areas of improvement
* Top store salesperson for four months in 2019 and top three for the year

**CG Cosmetic Surgery** June 2018 – August 2018

Medical Records Clerk, Miami, FL

* Managed, scanned, and filed all patients’ medical records and information
* Issued medical files to persons and agencies according to laws and regulations
* Completed clerical duties including answering phones, responding to emails, and processing patient admission as well as discharge records
* Converted all physical data to an online version for easy access throughout the clinic as needed

Sushi Sake February 2017 – August 2017

Hostess and Takeout, Miami, FL

* Welcomed guests with a smile, as the face of the restaurant, and sat them down at their preferred, or available, table
* Kept the floor running smoothly and the wait time to a minimum by keeping tabs on all parties and roster updated
* Answered phone calls to clarify any doubts and take customers’ orders
* Packaged orders with accompanying sides and charged guests accordingly

**Kumon** October 2016 – April 2017

Math and Reading Tutor, Miami, FL

* Provided academic support for individual elementary students in both math and reading
* Monitored student performance in academic environment by grading papers and providing feedback
* Identified, developed, and implemented individualized tutoring plans according to each individual’s learning style

*Skills*

* **Technical/Computer:** Microsoft Office (Word/Excel/PowerPoint) and Google Drive (Docs/Sheets/Slides), Canva, Dynamic Light Scattering (DLS), Zeta Potential Distribution (ZPD), Gel Permeation Chromatography (GPC)/Size Exclusion Chromatography (SEC), and ChemDraw
* **Language(s):** Fluent in English and Spanish (speak/read/write)
* **Relevant Skills:** Calculus, Microbiology, Physical Chemistry, Analytical Chemistry
* **Soft Skills:** Critical thinking, problem solving, decision making, organization, time management, strong work ethic, communication, and patience

***LEADERSHIP/VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE***

**Friends of MSF**, *Treasurer/Registered Student Organization (RSO) Representative* Fall 2022

* Manage club budget and finances as well as get events and purchase requests approved by council
* Attend any and all RSO meetings to ensure that club remains in good standing with the University

**LA Society**, *Vice President (VP)* Fall 2022

* Serve as the liaison between members and the President to ensure cooperation and communication
* Recruit future Learning Assistants to broaden the pool of student helpers and help guide them through the process

**GlobeMed**, *ghU Coordinator* Summer 2022 – Fall 2022

* Cultivate brave spaces, free of judgement, to promote open discussion on controversial topics regarding global healthcare
* Plan and facilitate biweekly learning sessions while implementing global learning initiatives

**Phi Delta Epsilon (PhiDE)**, *Social Chair* Spring 2022 – Fall 2022

* Promote student engagement by planning fun social events that de-stress the mind
* Raise funds for the Children’s Miracle Network (CMN)

**NSLS***, Secretary* Spring 2022 – Summer 2022

* Host orientations to teach new nominees the benefits of the organization
* Review completed assignments and answer any and all questions

**Hearts for the Homeless (H4H)**, *Active* *Member* Fall 2020 – Fall 2022

* Participate in public blood pressure screenings and inform citizens of their current status
* Donate foods and volunteer time at as many events as possible

**MedX Mission Trip**, Alternative Breaks (AB), STEM Saturdays, FIT Fridays, Feeding South Florida (FSF), Body Exhibit, Anatomy Fashion Show (AFS), Roar-a-thon, Kendall Regional Medical Center

*LICENSES AND CERTIFICATES*

* Fire Safety, Laboratory Hazard Awareness, Small Spills and Leaks 2022 – Present
* Lymphatic Drainage Massages 2020 – Present
* CPR/AED and First Aid/Basic Life Support (BLS) 2017 – Present