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Biographical Summary

I was born in Istanbul, Turkey. My family moved to America in 1999. We achieved citizenship and I finished elementary school here. I came back to Turkey for Middle School in 2008. Upon completion, I returned to America in 2011 to continue High School and move onto higher learning. Living in two cultures is something I consider to be a blessing. I enjoy digital drawing, writing, video games, history, political science and sociology. My current objective is to gain my bachelor's degree and then move on to work for my Master's. I want to pursue an academic career, to work in higher education in order to foster political, social and cultural understanding in the generations after me, for the sake of a better world in which young adults have the knowledge to tackle the problems we see in both here at home in the United State and on the world stage.

Skills

- Personable and approachable
- Fluent in English and Turkish
- Culturally-sensitive
- Enthusiastic
- Adept with Microsoft Office
- Critical thinker
- Quality-focused
- Proficiency in Writing, History, Social Studies, Political Science and Life Science.
- Studied and lived in both the United States and Turkey
- Digital Artist
- Tech-Savvy

Work History

- Wendy's Crew Member, 07/2014 to 10/2017

- Wendy's – Alpharetta, GA
 - Assisted customers in a kind and cordial manner.
 - Prepared and served food and drink.

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- McDonald's Crew Worker, 05/2016 to 10/2016
 - McDonald's – Alpharetta, GA
 - Assisted customers in a kind and cordial manner.
 - Prepared and served food and drink.
- Best Buy Seasonal Sales Associate, 11/2017 – 01/2018
 - Best Buy at North Point Drive.
 - Assisting customers in finding the complete and perfect solution.
 - Work in departments including the departments of digital imaging, printers, audio and computers.
 - Responsible for utilizing relationship selling to build profitable customer relationships leveraging Best Buys full range of products, services, solutions, and channels.
 - Works closely with all other areas within location to ensure the complete needs of the customer are met, either through individual sales skills or teamwork.
- Publix Deli Clerk, 04/07/2018 – 02/04/2019
 - Publix Super Market at The Village at Flynn Crossing
 - Providing premier customer service.
- Interned at the Bureau of Education and Cultural Affairs, Spring 2019
 - Department of State, Washington D.C
 - Helped promote ECA cultural exchanges and educational programs.
 - Wrote up cables and worked with the Policy office.
 - Helped prepare bios and BCL's for the Assistant Secretary.
 - Attended meetings and panels as a notetaker to keep record of key events and programs within the ECA.

Education

- High School Diploma: 2015
 - Atlanta Science Academy High School - Alpharetta, GA
- Undergraduate: Majoring in Global Studies and Minor in Journalism, set to graduate in May 2020
 - Georgia State University - Atlanta, GA
 - Continuing education in the major of Global Studies with a minor in Journalism

Accomplishments

- Won 2nd Place in Regional Tech Fair 2012 in Graphic Design.
- Won 3rd Place in Regional Tech Fair 2013 in Graphic Design.
- Won 3rd Place in Regional Tech Fair 2014 in Graphic Design.
- Won 1st Place in Regional Tech Fair 2015. Moved on to win 2nd Place in State Tech Fair.

- Named to the GSU Dean's List three years in a row.
- Won the Principal's Honor Award in Junior and Senior year for High School.
- Recipient of HOPE Scholarship
- Recipient of Atlanta Assistance League Scholarship
- Recipient of the 2015 Georgia Tech Fair Scholarship

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Affiliations

- GSU Student Alumni Association
- High School Community Service Club
- Georgia State Community Service Club
- Amman Imman: Water is Life
 - Assisted in preparing documents and completing paperwork for administrative purposes.
 - Helped connect with schools and prepare events
 - Ran supply runs for organization
 - Assisted with organization website and communications