

MELISSA VAZQUEZ-GONZALEZ

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Education

Carleton College

Expected June 2022

- Bachelor of Arts in Political Science

Houston Community College

May 2018

- Associate of Arts

Challenge Early College High School

May 2018

Awards/Honors

POSSE Foundation Full-Tuition Leadership Scholarship

(2018-2022)

Work Experience

Todd Litton for Congress, Houston, Tx

October 2017- March 2018

Intern

- Block-walked for Litton's campaign during primary season in Houston
- Photographed Litton's candid moments with voters during congressional house parties

Leadership Experience

National Hispanic Institute, Houston, TX

July 2014- Present

Counselor and Category Director

- Attended weekly meetings to delegate tasks to associate counselors, deliver new lessons to freshmen participants, and set up mock debate tournaments in the University of Houston
- Led cross-examination Houston team to the Texas Great Debate and judged regional rounds.

CECHS National Honor Society, Houston, TX

January 2016-May 2018

Sergeant at Arms

- Organized class meetings to communicate critical information to all NHS members
- Coordinated fundraisers with the goal of making NHS dues cheaper

Challenge Early College High School, Houston, TX

September 2015- May 2018

Ambassador

- Aided students with college class registration, and synthesized their college and high school degree plans
- Coordinated high school students and college representatives at the annual college nights.

Communications Expertise

Latinx PAR Project Translating Group, Faribault, MN,

October 2018- Present

Translator, Note-taker

- Translated research meetings from Spanish to English

TEDxChallengeECHS, Houston, TX,

May 2017-2018

Communications Director, Speaker

- Handled publicity on 4 social media platforms (Instagram, Facebook, Snapchat Twitter)
- Gave a TED talk about the nuances of my identity and its malleable nature

Clubs and Organizations

ACLU of Faribault ACE Project, *Translator*

February 2019- Present

Education and Curriculum Committee, *Student at Large*

January 2019-Present

Latin American Student Organization, *1st Year Representative*

October 2018-Present

Define American: Carleton Chapter, *Founding Member/ Vice President*

January 2019- Present

Skills and Abilities

Proficient in Microsoft Word and Microsoft PowerPoint

Bilingual (Fluent in English and Spanish)