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Education

Iowa State University (ISU), Ames, IA

Graduation: Spring 2023

Major: Animal Science, Pre-Veterinary Medicine

GPA: 4.0/4.0

Minors: Spanish Language for Professionals, History

Work Experience

Muscatine Community School District, Paraprofessional || December 2020 – Present ||
Muscatine, IA

- Worked with individual elementary students with special needs to instill proper learning, social, and behavioral expectations throughout the school day
- Assisted students in their general classrooms with assigned schoolwork and encouraged them to achieve and be the best version of themselves with positive reinforcement

ISU College of Agriculture & Life Sciences, Undergraduate Research Assistant || September 2020 – Present || Ames, IA

- Utilize a microscope and its software to take images of nearly 100 poultry gut tissue samples, identify and measure up to 10 villi and their corresponding crypts from each image, and save that data in an Excel document for analysis later
- Collect eggs early in the morning and also perform egg analysis on them, gathering data on each egg's weight, eggshell strength, yolk color, eggshell width, and more

ISU College of Agriculture & Life Sciences, Peer Mentor || August 2020 – Present || Ames, IA

- Assist freshmen in their transition to college as they navigate online school during the COVID-19 pandemic
- Create thoughtful and constructive lesson plans on important topics including study abroad opportunities, creating a four-year plan, and career fair preparation

Sunset View Pet Hospital, Veterinary Technician Assistant || May 2020 – Present || Wilton, IA

- Support veterinarians by properly holding animals during exams, preparing surgical patients, drawing up vaccines, and running laboratory tests
- Handle invoicing, discharging, and communicating clearly with clients about their pets
- Care for hospitalized animals by replacing catheters, distributing fluids, and dog-walking

Oh So Sweet By Tiphannie, Front Counter Personnel and Baker || April 2020 – May 2020 || Davenport, IA

- Worked 25+ hours a week constantly problem solving amidst food shortages and other unique challenges presented by the COVID-19 pandemic while maintaining a 4.0 GPA
- Methodically managed a continuous stream of orders by phone and online to keep a local, small business alive and present in extreme economic uncertainty
- Directed short music videos advertising products and deals to 15,000+ media followers

Collegiate Involvement/Volunteer Work

Pre-Vet Club, Member || Fall 2019 – Present

- Network with other aspiring veterinary students to build connections and earn experience

ISU Dance Marathon, Participant || Fall 2019 – Present

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Collegiate Involvement/Volunteer Work, Continued

- Raise money throughout the fall to contribute to the \$300,000+ annual ISU fundraiser for the University of Iowa Stead Family Children's Hospital
- Team up and dance with an inspirational "miracle kiddo" in the 15-hour Dance Marathon

Eaton Nelson House Cabinet, *Vice President* || Fall 2019 – Spring 2020

- Organized house events to encourage sisterhood and mental and physical well-being
- Recorded agenda minutes biweekly at meetings and sent them out to all residents

Muscatine Youth Soccer Camp, *Co-Creator/Head Counselor* || July 2018 – August 2019

- Conceptualized and implemented a low-cost, volunteer-based camp to get kids active
- Supervised and coordinated actions for approximately 20 volunteers and 50 campers each summer, as well as the equipment and facilities from the local youth sports foundation

Notable Honors

ISU Dean's List, 3 semesters

College of Agricultural and Life Sciences (CALS) Top 2% Honoree, Fall 2019

- Acknowledged by CALS for being in the Class of 2023's top 2% academically

Iowa State University Loyal Scholar Scholarship Recipient (renewable), August 2019

Retiring Remarks Speaker of Muscatine High School's Class of 2019 Graduation Commencement, May 2019

- Wrote and delivered the retiring remarks to 1,000+ students and family members

Senior Survivor Champion, March 2019

- Raised \$1,868 for Type 1 Diabetes in a "Survivor"-like competition

John Lodge and Joyce (Wilson) Shugart Family Endowed Scholarship in Agriculture Recipient, January 2019

- Rewarded with the scholarship for being an incoming CALS freshman presenting outstanding high school credentials

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