Charles P. Taibi

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Education

College of Charleston Honors College, Charleston, SC

- Bachelor of Science in Marine Biology, May 2022
- Bachelor of Arts in Chemistry, May 2022

Minor: MathematicsOverall GPA: 3.887

Research Experience

National Science Foundation Research Experience for Undergraduates (REU); Fort Johnson Campus Charleston, SC: Summer 2021; Duration 10 weeks

- Proposed and conducted original research question with Dr. Erik Sotka (College of Charleston Biology Dept.) on the soil gradients found within Charleston's *Spartina alterniflora* marshes
- Developed and carried out field and laboratory protocol for surveying the soils in the marshes
- Worked collaboratively with other students and researchers involved in the program
- Created a manuscript and Presentation on findings from the summer
- *Research is ongoing and is planned to be submitted to a journal for review and presented at a the Benthic Ecology Meeting in Spring 2022)

Marine Science and Nautical Training Academy (MANTA); British Virgin Islands: Summer 2019: Duration 2 Weeks

- Explored coral reefs and conducted a survey on coral disease distribution in a field study program
- Obtained official PADI open water diver certification and experience with scientific diving
- Lived and worked on a 70ft Trimaran
- Passed course examination and earned college credits towards degree

Shoals Marine Laboratory; Appledore Island, ME: Summer 2017; Duration 2 Weeks

- Cornell Sponsored, college level course: "Ecology and the Marine Environment"
- Conducted research on *Littorina littorea* found within the intertidal zone
- Met and worked with professionals within the academic community
- Passed course examination

Honors & Awards

President's List: Spring 2019 – Present

Dean's List: Fall 2018

College of Charleston Academic & Merit Scholarship: Fall 2018 – Present

- Awarded Academic and Merit scholarships every Fall and Spring semester

UNICO Scholarship: Fall 2018 – Present

- Italian American foundation awarding scholarships to undergraduate students

LHY YMCA Scholarship: Fall 2018 – Spring 2019

- Awarded scholarship from the Lakeland Hills YMCA for exhibiting leadership skills within the swim team

Martin Luther King Leadership Scholarship: Fall 2018 – Spring 2019

Kiwanis Scholarship: Fall 2018 – Spring 2019

Leadership

Gamma Delta Chapter of the Alpha Chi Sigma Chemistry Fraternity: Member; Fall 2020 – Present

- Developed professional connections within the chemistry community
- Fostered peers' interest in chemistry at the College of Charleston and the public by leading chemistry demonstrations
- Participate in activities carried out campus wide that foster leadership and advancement of chemistry as a science

Charleston 40 Tour Guides: Member; *Spring 2019 – Present*

- Improved public speaking and large group management by explaining the traditions and history that make the College of Charleston unique to prospective students and their families
- Gave insight into the student experience at the College of Charleston using personal anecdotes
- Developed connections within the Office of Admissions at the College of Charleston

College of Charleston Club Swim Team: President; *Fall 2020 – Present*, Member; *Fall 2018 – Present*

- Led the Club Swim Team during practices and meets
- Organized logistics and communication of the swim team with faculty at the College of Charleston and other Clubs in the Southeast
- Participated in College Club Swim meets and events in the Southeast

Relevant Work Experience

Chemistry Tutor: Fall 2020 – Present

- Aid students with challenging Chemistry courses by providing them with study techniques and helpful practice problems
- Developed and applied personal teaching style to help students learn organic and introductory Chemistry

Deck Hand for Coastal Carolina Yacht Sales at the Bristol Marina in Charleston, SC: Fall 2020 – Spring 2021

- Gained experience working and cleaning boats for potential customers and boat shows
- Developed on deck experience aboard boats within the marina and boat slip

College of Charleston Supplemental Instructor for Introductory Chemistry: $Fall\ 2019-Fall\ 2020$

- Attended chemistry courses to develop lesson plans for Supplemental Instructor (SI) sessions in response to student needs
- Assisted students in developing good study habits and understanding the material

Additional work experience

Duvall Catering Server 2019-2021

Certified WSI Swim Instructor and Coach 2017-2019

Certified Lifeguard 2016-2019

Certifications

PADI certified Advanced Open Water Diver 2021

PADI certified Enriched Air NOx Diver 2021

PADI certified Open Water Diver 2019

Applicable Skills

Instruments operated

- Direct Mercury Analyzer (DMA-80 evo)
- RTN-enabled Trimble R8 receiver and TSC3 data controller
- Thermo Scientific Orion Star A321 meter with a combination ORP redox and pH probe
- CILAS 1180 Laser Particle Size Analyzer
- GC MS
- ESI MS
- MALDI TOF
- HPLC