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EDUCATION

Georgia State University | Cumulative GPA 3.6 Atlanta, GA
Bachelor of Arts: Computer Science May 2024

Prairie State College | Cumulative GPA 3.6 Chicago Heights, IL
Associates of Arts: Computer Science May 2022
Awards: graduated cum laude

EXPERIENCE

Chick Fil A | *Team Member* | Chicago, IL June 2019 - August 2022

- Accommodating guests in a respectful manner while providing quality service and a good attitude
- Conducted training for team members as a lead, learning to clean and use machinery.
- Operated cash register and POS system

Kode With Klossy | *Instructor Assistant* | Chicago, IL July 2022

- Selected from a competitive pool of applicants exhibiting proficiency in one or more programming languages and a passion for empowering young women and non-binary individuals
- Collaborated with a team of instructors and instructor assistants throughout two-week summer coding camps to deliver lessons, provide technical support, and build an empowering community
- Ensured scholar understanding of and proficiency in Data Science coding skills by responding to scholar feedback, facilitating remediation lessons, and supporting scholars throughout their Data Science development
- Fostered a positive, inclusive classroom culture by leading team-building activities and discussions about the culture of technology

Kode With Klossy | *Scholar* | Chicago, IL Summer 19', 20', and 21'

- selected to receive a scholarship for a two-week, intensive summer program dedicated to educating and empowering young women and non-binary students in STEAM
- Used python and SQL to develop a website to inform users of the dangers of the tree and habitat loss while providing data from around the world. In previous summer program years, used HTML/CSS to create a website to help young scholars and women find online resources to learn code and created an app using VS code that connected young scholars across the world to people like them in tech.
- Collaborated with other team members through software process and cycle, including pitching, wireframing, developing, and presenting the first iteration of the project.

ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE

Georgia State University | *Student assistant* | Atlanta, GA September 2022 - Present

- Assisting research staff with daily tasks and ensuring conferences run smoothly
- contacting and connecting staff and assisting them throughout the building
- organizing and emailing paperwork for staff

LEADERSHIP & CAMPUS INVOLVEMENT

All Latin Student Alliance | *President* | Chicago IL August 2021-May 2022

- Selected from over 5 other applicants to help develop, guide, and run the ALAS club
- Create and plan events with board, for students that help connect them to their culture while proving a positive experience
- Becoming the representation and face of school events

Women In Technology | *Member* | Atlanta GA September 2022-Present

GSU Student Data Corps | *Social events subcommittee chair* | Atlanta GA September 2022-Present

- Assisting in recruitment for the club
- planning events and socials to ensure club engagement

SKILLS & AWARDS

Language: Spanish (spoken & written proficiently)

Software: Proficient in MS Office Suite, Adobe Acrobat Pro, basic python, basic Java, HTML/CSS, SQL,

Developer tools: Google data studio, tableau, Xcode, Visual Studio Code, GitHub

Scholarships and recognitions: 2x Chick Fil A remarkable futures scholarship recipient, POSSE Scholar, Seal of Biliteracy recipient