Curriculum Vitae

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PERSONAL INFORMATION

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EDUCATION

2017 – Present B.S. Candidate, Microbiology, Department of Natural

Sciences, University of Puerto Rico in Humacao.

2015-2018 Vocational Antonio Fernós Isern Highschool, San

Lorenzo, Puerto Rico.

HIGHER EDUCATION AND COURSE WORK EXPERIENCE RELATED TO FIELDS OF INTEREST

January 2021 Developmental Biology

August 2019 Cellular and Molecular Biology

January 2019 Genetics

August 2017 General Biology

COMPUTER SKILLS

- Python program

- PC systems: Word, Excel, Publisher

- Pymol program

- Use of databases and servers: Pubmed, NCBI, UniProtKB, Consurf Server, Protein Data Bank (PDB).

LANGUAGES

Spanish (first language); English (written and spoken)

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

June - August 2021 Molecular Structure & Function Summer Research Program

Structural Features of RNA Binding Sites in Moonlighting Proteins

Department of Biological Sciences: Dr. Constance Jeffery and

Nicole Curtis

University of Illinois Chicago.

January - December 2019

Phenology of the dominant vegetation at the Humacao campus post Hurricane María
Department of Biological Sciences: Raul A Pérez-Rivera
University of Puerto Rico in Humacao.

ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT EXPERIENCE

November – Present Shadowing Experience at El Ryder Hospital in Humacao

November 2021 Certificate of First Aid Assistance during an Emergency

August – November 2021

Supervised Internship at Pall Life Sciences Corporation Responsibilities:

- Assisted the laboratory technicians with pharmaceutical and microbiological tests
- LAL Gel Clot Bacterial Endotoxin test
- Pharmaceutical Testing TOC (Total organic carbon), conductivity, pH & total moisture content
- Environmental monitoring of clean rooms
- Forward Flow test
- Bacterial Retention test
- Growth Promotion test
- Preparation of serial dilutions and pipetting
- Centrifugation
- Preparation of solutions and reagents
- GDPs and GMPs
- Use of lab equipment: autoclaves, flowstars, balance, centrifuges

June 2021

CHRES Project – High School Summer Camp Mentor (Consortium of Hybrid Resilient Energy Systems)

Activity: Engithlon Time Trial Challenge: Survival Mode

Project: How to supply electricity to Puerto Rico's municipal islands after a hurricane

Description: In the summer camp, I mentored students in topics such as design thinking, problem solving, prototyping and project management. The goal was to design a solution for one of the problems Puerto Rico faced during hurricane María: lack of electricity.

June-July 2020

Leadership Alliance Virtual Professional Development Program

Description: Participated in various workshops and activities for professional development in the field of science. These included

virtual conferences with doctors, PhDs, graduate and undergraduate students. Also participated in interview, CV, scientific writing and communication workshops.

ACADEMIC AFFILIATIONS AND RELATED VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE (OUTREACH)

August-Present President of American Medical Student Association (AMSA) at

UPR-Humacao.

August 2020 - May 2021

Secretary of American Medical Student Association (AMSA) at

UPR-Humacao.

August 2019 – May 2021

Member of the Microbiology Students Chapter (CEM) at UPR-

Humacao

August 2019 - May 2021

Member of MEDLIFE at UPR-Humacao

November 2021 Volunteer for a Covid-19 and Vaccine Development

Conference for high school students at P.E.C.E.S High School

in Punta Santiago, Humacao.

September 2021 Volunteer in the beach cleanup of Playa Aviones in Loíza, PR.

OTHER EXPERIENCES/SKILLS

Undergraduate mentoring, Sales Associate, Worship group leader,

Imitation jewelry maker.

REFERENCES

Available upon request