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PROFILE

A skilled and enthusiastic undergraduate sophomore student currently doing a mayor in Biology at the University of Puerto Rico at Cayey with distinguish academic performance and professional development experience. Possess basic laboratory skills, fluency in English and Spanish and experience in interdisciplinary research. Also, a proactive, adaptative and fast learning student with huge interest in continuing a career in research, being an advocate in Biological Conservation and creating education and outreach projects.

EDUCATION

University of Puerto Rico | Cayey, Puerto Rico

August 2019- present

BS with a concentration in Biology

Predicted Grade: MSc

Colegio La Merced | Cayey, Puerto Rico

August 2005- May 2019

From Pre-kinder-12th grade

High school diploma

PROGRAMS/ASSOCIATIONS

Active member of the **Program of Honor Studies-PREH** of the university of Puerto Rico at Cayey

January 2021- present

Active member of **the Association of Professionals of the Clinical Laboratory-TMED** of the University of Puerto Rico at Cayey

June 2020- present

VOLUNTEERING

Puerto Rico Cambia | Guaynabo, Puerto Rico

May 2018-present

Volunteer

Assistant and leader in activities for the community

Some of the volunteer work included:

- Recycling at the beach
- Giving food to homeless people
- Sport activities to enhance the importance of exercise

- Spend qualitative time with people at an elderly home
- Offer free hair cuts to kids for back to school

LABORATORY AND PRACTICAL SKILLS

- Understanding of **laboratory security**
- **Management of laboratory equipment** (micropipette, measuring equipment, microscope, centrifuge, spectrophotometer)
- **Techniques previously done** (Gramm stain, bacterial DNA extraction and quantification, electrophoresis of bacterial DNA, centrifugate, preparation of microscope slides, preparation of solutions)
- **Languages:** Spanish (first language), English (very dominant)
- **Operating Office Suits** (Microsoft Office and G Suite)
- **Collaboration Software** (Microsoft Teams, Google Meet, Zoom)

INTERDISCIPLINARY REASERCH EXPERIENCES

Assistant in the research: **“Blancuras dudosas: censo, colonialismo y “raza” en tiempos de bancarrota”**

January 2021- present

PI: Dra. Mariluz Franco Ortiz (mariluz.franco@upr.edu)

Assistant in the research: **“Factores sociopolíticos y morales en las decisiones de irse o quedarse en Puerto Rico después del huracán María”**

January 2021- present

PI: Dra. Rosalyn Negrón (rosalyn.negron@umb.edu)

OTHER SKILLS AND PERSONAL QUALITIES

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Good listener • Proactive leader • Fast learner • Organized • Goal oriented • Creative • Analytical • Patient | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Empathic • Disciplined • Resilient • Problem solving • Decision making • Respectful • Self-motivated • Teamwork |
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