

Department of Health
Policy and Management
Incoming Class of 2022
Resume Book

School of Public Health University of Pittsburgh

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Program	Students	PA Residents	Foreign Citizens	Graduated from PA Undergraduate Institution	Full-Time Work Experience	Full-Time Student	Part-Time Student
MHA	15	7	0	8	8	15	0
MHA/MBA	2	1	0	1	1	2	0
MPH	16	11	1	10	7	10	6
JD/MPH	1	1	0	1	1	1	0
PhD	3	2	0	0	3	3	0
MS	1	1	0	0	1	1	0
Totals	38	22	1	20	21	32	6

### **Undergraduate Institutions:**

University of Pittsburgh (8)

University of Pittsburgh at Johnstown

Boston University, MA

Brandeis University, MA (2)

Carlow University, PA (2)

Duquesne University, PA

Eastern Connecticut State University

Gannon University, PA

George Washington University, DC

Gettysburg College, PA

John Carroll University, OH

Mount Aloysius College, PA

Nova Southeastern University, FL

Pennsylvania State University (2)

PennWest University

Rutgers University, NJ

Saint Bonaventure University, NY

Seton Hall University, NJ

Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania (2)

SUNY-Geneseo, NY

The College of William & Mary

University of Connecticut

University of Maryland-College Park

University of Mosul College of Medicine

University of the West Indies

Wayne State University, MI

### **Undergraduate Majors:**

**Behavioral Science** 

Biology/Biological Sciences (9)

Community Health

**Economics** 

Health Administration (5)

**Health Policy Administration** 

Health Science (2)

Health Services (2)

Healthcare Management and Supervision

History and Philosophy of Science (2)

Journalism and Public Relations

Kinesiology and Health Sciences

Microbiology

Molecular and Cell Biology

Nursing

Organizational Development

Philosophy

**Political Science** 

Psychology (2)

Public Health

**Pure and Applied Mathematics** 

# MHA and MHA/MBA Students



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### **EDUCATION**

2024 University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

Master of Health Administration

2020 Wayne State University, Detroit, MI

Bachelor of Science in Public Health



### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

05/2021-08/2022

Gabecare DirectRX Specialty Pharmacy, Troy, MI

Patient Education and Adherence Specialist

- Communicated and Coordinate with patients and providers regarding respiratory treatments
- Ensured patients received every month
- Processed prescriptions and calculated copays
- Discussed/informed patients of their treatment for Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease
- Worked on independent projects assigned by our Director of Health Operations

01/2020-04/2020

ACCESS Community Health and Research Center, Dearborn, MI

Healthcare Operations Intern

- Reviewed and submitted policies for Health Operations Department
- Conducted audits of current public health and behavioral health staff
- Reflected on changes made to programs and staff

10/2017-11/2018

Walgreens, Dearborn, MI

Pharmacy Technician

- Delivered exceptional service by greeting and serving customers in a timely and friendly manner
- Assisted with processing, billing, and filling of prescriptions
- Upheld pharmacy's integrity by adhering to current laws and regulations

### **LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE ACTIVITIES**

01/2019–12/2020 Member, SERVE Detroit 01/2018–12/2020 Member, WSU Fresh Start 01/2018–12/2020 Member, WSU Orphan Relief

### **HONORS AND AWARDS**

2020 Deans List, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Award-Granting Body/Competition

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### **EDUCATION**

2024 University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

Master of Health Administration

2022 University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

Bachelor of Science in Biology
Minor(s): Chemistry, Economics



### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

10/2018–08/2022 University of Pittsburgh Campus Recreation, Pittsburgh, PA

Student Manager

- Maintained and oversaw the functioning and overall wellbeing of the University of Pittsburgh Campus Recreation facilities
- Communicated with Coordinator of Campus Fitness daily about the facilities, attendants, and general information
- Trained, scheduled, and kept an open line of communication with facility attendants

05/2019–12/2020 Instacart, Rochester, NY

In-Store Shopper

- Shopped and staged grocery orders in a timely and professional manner
- Communicated with customers regarding orders and experiences through the Instacart app
- Plotted most efficient route to take within store depending on customers' orders

06/2022–09/2022 Sienna Mercato, Pittsburgh, PA

Security

- Ensured and maintained a safe environment for all staff and patrons in the establishment
- Communicated with guests in a professional manner
- Used problem-solving skills to resolve issues and conflicts

### **LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE ACTIVITIES**

03/2020–01/2022 President, University of Pittsburgh Men's Rugby 11/2019–03/2022 Vice President, University of Pittsburgh Men's Rugby

01/2022–04/2022 Undergraduate Teaching Assistant-Biochemistry, University of Pittsburgh

04/2021–09/2021 Volunteer, UPMC Shadyside

06/2015–09/2018 Volunteer, Seneca Ridge Dialysis Center

### **HONORS AND AWARDS**

2020 Dean's List, University of Pittsburgh

2021 Clubman of the Year, University of Pittsburgh Men's Rugby

### PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS

2022–Present Coach Level 1, USA Rugby

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### **EDUCATION**

2024 University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

Master of Health Administration
Certificate(s): Global Health

2021 Pennsylvania State University, Abington, PA

Bachelor of Science in Life Sciences

Minor(s): Entrepreneurship and Innovation



### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

07/2021–Present CGFNS International Inc., Philadelphia, PA

International Credentials Specialist

- Reviews and evaluates foreign educational credentials of healthcare professionals who apply for licensing in the United States and Canada
- As needed, responds to clients written and telephone inquiries in a professional manner
- Conducts research as necessary on the educational documents

02/2019–05/2021 The Pennsylvania State University, Abington, PA

International Student Orientation Leader & Peer Mentor

- Assisted in the preparation, implementation, and evaluation of International Student Orientation
- Served as a role model and resource to new international students and their families
- Guided first year students in the development of skills and strategies needed for their academic success in college

02/2018–05/2020 The Pennsylvania State University, Abington, PA

Office Assistant

- Provided general office reception services and supports the department staffs with daily operations
- Performed various clerical functions including filing, scheduling, recordkeeping, and copying documents
- Answered the front desk telephone, convey telephone messages, mail, and data entry

### **LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE ACTIVITIES**

05/2019–05/2020 Vice President, African Student Organization, PSU Abington 05/2021–07/2021 Pre-Med Volunteer, Abington Hospital – Jefferson Health

11/2019–02/2020 Food distributer Volunteer, Philabundance Fresh Food Distribution, PSU Abington 06/2020–05/2021 Website Director, Abington Anime and Gaming Association, PSU Abington

### **HONORS AND AWARDS**

2021 Impact Award, Penn State Abington Advisory Board

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### **EDUCATION**

2024 **University of Pittsburgh,** Pittsburgh, PA

Master of Health Administration

2022 **Gettysburg College**, Gettysburg, PA

Bachelor of Arts in Health Sciences

Minors: Business, History



### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

06/2022–08/2022 **Sanofi**, Pittsburgh, PA

Pharmaceutical Market Access Intern

- Analyzed and evaluated the history of managed care organizations
- Worked with different managed care models examining the implications of each and their cost/benefit
- Researched the intricacies of the pharmacy benefit and formulary designs

05/2019–08/2022 Country Pools & Spas, Natrona Heights, PA

Floor Manager

- Provided friendly customer service
- Managed store stock and inventory
- Conducted field work and supply delivery

08/2018–11/2021 Gettysburg College Baseball, Gettysburg, PA

Student-Athlete

- Balanced 20+ hours of practices, workouts, meetings, and games while taking a full course load
- Participated in philanthropic activities
- Met and worked with potential student-athletes through recruiting events and camps

### **LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE ACTIVITIES**

01/2022–05/2022 Member, Gettysburg College Business Club

10/2019–05/2022 Volunteer, Big Brothers Big Sisters of York and Adams County

08/2018–11/2021 Volunteer, Take ALS Yard 08/2018–05/2019 Mentor, VIDA Charter School

### **HONORS AND AWARDS**

2020-2022 Dean's Honor List, Gettysburg College
 2018–2022 Presidential Scholarship, Gettysburg College

2019 Academic Achievement Scholarship, Alpha Tau Omega

### PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS

2019–Present Member, Alpha Tau Omega

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### **EDUCATION**

2024 University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

Master of Health Administration

2022 Brandeis University, Waltham, MA

Bachelor of Science Biology and HSSP (Health, Science, Society,

Policy)



### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

04/2021–06/2022 Framingham Dermatology, Framingham, MA

Administrative and Medical Assistant

- Assisted with physician referrals, insurance coverage for procedures, answering phone calls and scheduling patients.
- Assisted in patient visits, greeted patients, and gathered their HPI and medical history
- Served as scribe during office visits
- Assisted in treatment procedures and surgeries
- Communicated with patients about their clinical results
- Communicated with insurance, pharmaceutical companies, and other physician offices.

08/2020–10/2022 Jake n Joes Sports Grille, Waltham, MA

Server

- Effectively communicated with guests and attentively listened to their needs
- Worked quickly and efficiently with staff to provide excellent service
- Demonstrated strong organizational skills and quick thinking to complete multiple tasks

06/2019–08/2019 UPMC Mercy Hospital, Pittsburgh, PA

**Emergency Room Nurse Assistant** 

- Assisted ER nurses with their daily duties
- Helped flip rooms to be ready for the next patient
- Assisted doctors with daily rounds and assisted nurses in standard procedures
- Stocked ER carts
- Helped patients with basic necessities (food, water, walking, providing warm blankets, sitting with patients, etc.)

### **LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE ACTIVITIES**

08/2018–05/2022 Varsity Athlete, Brandeis University, Cross Country

08/2018–05/2022 Varsity Athlete, Brandeis University, Track & Field Indoor and Outdoor

08/2018–05/2022 Executive Secretary and Health and Wellness Chair, Delta Gamma Chapter Sigma Delta Tau

### **HONORS AND AWARDS**

2022 Deans List

2022 UAA All Academic

2021 Deans List

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### **EDUCATION**

2024 University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

Master of Health Administration

2021 University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

Bachelor of Science in Biological Sciences



### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

01/2017–08/2022 Golden Dragon, Bridgeville, PA

Assistant Manager

- Provided outstanding customer service to explain menu items which increased tips 15%
- Coordinated with front/back of restaurant to optimize smooth operations by 50%
- Inquired options on resources/equipment to save money by 20% to enhance services
- Managed supplies to ensure inventories are at an optimal level

### 05/2021–01/2022 Rite Aid Pharmacy, Mount Lebanon, PA

Pharmacy Technician

- Entered scripts, vaccines, and refills into Nextgen to be billed with insurance
- Counted & label over 200 prescriptions a day to give pharmacist for checkout
- Restocked 7+ boxes of drugs and organizing patient prescriptions in ABC order
- Communicated with patients to ensure their satisfaction with the pharmacy
- Assisted pharmacists with COVID procedure and testing, over 15 patients a day

### 04/2022–08/2022 University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

Academic Administrator (04-05/22) / Program & Administrative Assistant (05-08/22)

- Constructed seminar agenda by scheduling professors to connect with guest speaker in SSOE
- Collaborated with board of BMES to organize undergraduate events, designed 9
  academic awards, and created over 80 presentation slides in preparation for student
  graduation.
- Supported director and associate director of CREEES with administrative duties
- Utilized PEX & Concur to process various expenses, invoices, and orders between \$50 -\$10,000
- Contributed to Project GO and other tasks associated with the student program
- Handled sensitive forms and contracts through DocuSign to protect confidential agreements

### **LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE ACTIVITIES**

06/2021–08/2021 Peer Advisor, University of Pittsburgh, Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences

09/2019–04/2021 University Teaching Assistant, University of Pittsburgh

### **HONORS AND AWARDS**

08/2021 Magna Cum Laude, University of Pittsburgh

01/2018 – 08/2021 Dean's List of Dietrich School, University of Pittsburgh 08/2020 – 04/2021 Ready 2 Succeed Scholar, University of Pittsburgh

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### **EDUCATION**

2024 University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

Master of Health Administration

2020 **Eastern Connecticut State University**, Willimantic, CT

Bachelor of Science in Health Sciences (Public Health)



### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

07/2021–07-2022 Yale University, New Haven, CT

Business Analyst - Salesforce Platform

- Engaged with clients across the university to gather and deliver complex application requirements
- Managed application user profiles, roles, permissions, and validation rules to effectively utilize object, field, and record level security
- Coordinated and Performed QA testing to ensure the delivery of documented functional requirements

01/2021–06/2021 Yale University, New Haven, CT

Technical Analyst – Student and Academic Support Systems

- Designed and implemented decision-support tools to measure report and user adoption of Jasper reporting platform using SQL Server and Power BI dashboards
- Coordinated project-work for a DataMart migration effort
- Developed documentation and video-training content for Jasper reporting platform and Grouper

07/2022–12/2020 Yale University, New Haven, CT

Intern - Digital Accessibility

- Remediated/updated Yale Sites for the DAYTU Project
- Contributed Documentation to the Yale UI Component Library

### **LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE ACTIVITIES**

01/2020–05/2020 Teaching Assistant for HSC 302 Research Methods, Eastern Connecticut State University

### **HONORS AND AWARDS**

2018–2020 Dean's List, Eastern Connecticut State University

2019 Outstanding Global/Field Internship, ECSU Department of Health Sciences
2019 Phi Theta Delta national honor society, ECSU Department of Health Sciences

### PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS

2021–Present Become a Project Manager Certification, LinkedIn Learning

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### **EDUCATION**

2025 **University of Pittsburgh,** Pittsburgh, PA

Master of Health Administration Master of Business Administration

2022 **Duquesne University**, Pittsburgh, PA

Bachelor of Science in Health Administration

Minor(s): Public Health, Marketing



### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

06/2020–Present Primanti Bros, Pittsburgh, PA

Server

- Skillfully anticipate and address guest service needs
- Effectively work with staff to address customer needs
- Cross train in multiple areas of store to support business needs

08/2021–12/2021 AHN West Penn Hospital, Pittsburgh, PA

**HELP Intern** 

- Assisted patients in maintaining cognitive and physical function throughout their hospital stay
- Supported patient needs and transition from hospital to the community

05/2021–07/2021 Sharon Regional Medical Center, Sharon, PA

Administrative Intern

- Worked with Chief Quality Officer, Director of HR, Director of Risk Management, and TCU Administrator to further understand business goals and strategies of a healthcare system
- Gained knowledge on a spectrum of hospital systems and departments
- Responsibilities included understanding compliance with healthcare regulations and standards, handling confidential information, gathering, and analyzing hospital acquired data

### **LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE ACTIVITIES**

08/2021–05/2022 Director of Diversity and Inclusion, Alpha Sigma Tau National Sorority

08/2021–05/2022 Secretary, Healthcare Administration Association

10/2019–08/2021 Service Vice President & Apparel Chair, Gamma Sigma Sigma National Service Sorority

**HONORS AND AWARDS** 

2020–2022 Dean's List, Duquesne University

2021 Pi Kappa Epsilon Health Science Honors Society, Duquesne University

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### **EDUCATION**

2024 University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

Master of Health Administration

2022 **St. Bonaventure University**, St. Bonaventure, NY

Bachelor of Science in Behavioral Neuroscience

Minor(s): Business Administration



### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

04/2019-05/2022

St. Bonaventure University, St. Bonaventure, NY

Student Ambassador

- Provided tours across campus while answering questions and concerns of parents and students
- Worked in the admissions office making and answering phone calls, organizing student information, preparing gifts, and performing other administrative tasks
- Provided insight into academic programs and college life on campus while introducing prospective students to professors as well

08/2019-05/2022

St. Bonaventure University, St. Bonaventure, NY

Peer Tutor

- Worked with students on identifying and diagnosing the cause of their struggles in classes and worked to fix them
- Explained difficult concepts and ideas in a manner that was easier to understand and remember for the students
- Worked to help students develop good study habits as well as develop study schedules so that students would be prepared for exams

### **LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE ACTIVITIES**

08/2018–05/2022 Volunteer EMT, SBU MERT

08/2020–05/2022 Associate Justice & Senator SBU Student Government Association

08/2020–05/2022 Treasurer & Vice-President, SBU MSA 06/2020–09/2020 Recruiter & Content Creator, UnitedCare

### **HONORS AND AWARDS**

2018 Presidential Scholarship, SBU Office of Admissions

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**EDUCATION** 

2024 University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

Master of Health Administration

2021 Carlow University, Pittsburgh, PA

Bachelor of Science in Healthcare Management

Minor(s): Healthcare Data and Analytics

2019 University of Central Lancashire, Preston, England

ISEP Exchange



05/2020–Present **UPMC Mercy**, Pittsburgh, PA

Supplemental Health Unit Coordinator

- Performed in-office clerical duties including paperwork, data input, and managing phone directories.
- Adapted to ICU, Rehab, and Inpatient Units as needed.
- Managed interactions between staff, patients, and family members.

08/2018–10/2020 The Milk Shake Factory, Pittsburgh, PA

Team Trainer

- Trained incoming team members on MSF's values, mission, and procedures.
- Maintained a positive and productive environment for customers and coworkers.

### **LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE ACTIVITIES**

08/2018–05/2019 President, Carlow University's Student Government Association

08/2018–05/2019 First Year Mentor, Carlow University

01/2018–05/2018 Vice President, Carlow University's Student Government Association

11/2017–02/2018 Special Needs Camp Volunteer, Achieva

### **HONORS AND AWARDS**

2018 Outstanding Student Leader Award, Carlow University



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### **EDUCATION**

2024 **University of Pittsburgh,** Pittsburgh, PA

Master of Health Administration

2022 Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania, Slippery Rock, PA

Bachelor of Science in Health Administration and Management

(Finance)

Minor(s): Public Health



05/2022–08/2022 Canton Borough Department, Canton, PA

Recreation Manager

- Planned, implemented, and managed a range of community recreational events, services, and facilities
- Supervised and managed community pool operations and pool staff
- Maximized community involvement and coordinate with other community organizations

05/2021–05/2022 Straub Beer Distributor, Slippery Rock, PA

Sales Associate

- Found and located items quickly and manage inventory and stock of materials
- Interacted and built positive customer relationships
- Utilized technology using codes to keep register system up to date with inventory

06/2019–01/2021 **Park Hotel & Brewing Co.**, Canton, PA

Restaurant Server

- Demonstrated constructive body language and communication to bring positive restaurant experiences to customers
- Actively listened to customers to fully understand their requests and needs
- Demonstrated patience and social perceptiveness to provide each customer with the same level of service and attention

### **LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE ACTIVITIES**

09/2018–05/2022 Member, MEDLIFE

09/2019–05/2022 Member, Future Healthcare Leaders

04/2019–04/2020 Vice President of Membership Development, Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity

09/2018–09/2019 Volunteer, Special Olympics of Pennsylvania

**HONORS AND AWARDS** 

2018–2022 Dean's List, Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS

2016–Present CPR/AED Certification, American Red Cross



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### **EDUCATION**

2024 University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

Master of Health Administration

2019 University of Maryland, College Park, MD

Bachelor of Science in Community Health



### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

11/2020–06/2022 **Society for Science**, Washington, D.C.

Institutional Giving Development Associate

- Increased funding for multiple STEM education related programs for underserved children and general education support
- Secured corporate and foundation resources needed to achieve outreach program goals
- Maintained Institutional Giving budget as well as met with Finance department monthly to help track financial goals for the fiscal year

09/2019–11/2020 Cancer Research Institute, New York, NY

**Development Assistant** 

- Developed projects to gain new sustaining donors and retain lapsed donors using letters, emails, and other donor engagement tools
- Provided cradle to grave management on fall and spring fundraising appeals
- Managed and organized donor database; analyzed data with queries and appeal reports

01/2019–12/2019 Maryland State Senate, Office of Senator Guy Guzzone, Annapolis, MD

Legislative Intern

- Tracked and monitored Senate bills pertaining to public health issues
- Conducted research on constituent emails regarding issues within the county and state
- Attended constituent meetings to discuss their positions on legislation

### **LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE ACTIVITIES**

11/2021-Present Board Member, Inclusion, Diversity, Equity and Access (IDEA) Committee

08/2020–Present Director, Association of South Asian A Cappella (ASA)

01/2022–06/2022 Member, Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee, Society for Science

### **HONORS AND AWARDS**

2022 Dawn Gideon Scholar, Dawn Gideon Foundation

2022 Diversity Scholarship Recipient, Association of Fundraising Professionals (AFP) - D.C.

### PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS

2021—Present Member, Association of Fundraising Professionals (AFP) - D.C.

2019—Present Member, Association of South Asian A Cappella (ASA)

2020 Financial Acumen for Non-Financial Managers, University of Pennsylvania, Coursera Certification

# **David Singh**

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### **EDUCATION**

2024 University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

Master of Health Administration

2021 Nova Southeastern University, Fort Lauderdale, FL

Bachelor of Science in Biology
Minor(s): Honors Transdisciplinary

Certificate: Tri-Beta Biology Honors Society, Honors College, Order of Omega

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

04/2019–08/2022 **PGA TOUR Superstore**, Tampa, FL and Plantation, FL

Club Fitting Specialist

 Provided world-class experience to every customer, while engaging customers throughout the golf club fitting process

- Maintained a high level of product and industry knowledge to pass on to customers by learning new products, technologies, and services
- Executed data comparisons to help judge performance difference between golf clubs

03/2022–08/2022 North Tampa Psychiatrics and Associates, Tampa, FL

Secretary Assistant

- Initiated the proper billing procedure for patients and kept proper documentation
- Scheduled patients for future visits and organized charts in order of physician's schedule
- Updated medical records pertaining to patients' visits

09/2021–01/2022 Florida Medical Clinic, Tampa, FL

Medical Scribe

- Recorded physician's interaction with patients while organizing medical documentation
- Summarized paperwork, referrals, and prescription data before, during, and after visit
- Updated medical records and entered data pertaining to patients' records and visits

### **LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE ACTIVITIES**

08/2020–05/2021 President 64, Nova Southeastern University

05/2020–08/2020 Clinical Shadow, Dr. Robert Norman's Dermatology Clinic 11/2018–11/2019 Vice President of External Affairs, Kappa Sigma Fraternity

08/2016–Present Junior Coach. Alumni Mentor, The First Tee 08/2010–05/2021 Pantry Volunteer, Various Programs and Clubs

### **HONORS AND AWARDS**

2021 Honorable Mention: Undergraduate Student Symposium, Nova Southeastern University

2020 Dean's List, Nova Southeastern University

2020 Outstanding Vice President, Kappa Sigma Fraternity

### PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS

03/2020–05/2021 Member, Tri-Beta Biology Honors Society

01/2020–05/2021 Member, Order of Omega

11/2017–Present Member, Kappa Sigma Fraternity



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**EDUCATION** 

2024 University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

Master of Health Administration

2022 Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania, Slippery Rock, PA

Bachelor of Science in Health Administration and Management (Long-

Term Care)



### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

06/2022–Present Concordia at Rebecca Residence, Allison Park, PA

Nursing Assistant/Medication Technician

- Provide excellent direct care to residents while assisting with activities of daily living
- Prepare, administer, and document all medications

12/2021–01/2022 Concordia at Rebecca Residence, Allison Park, PA

Personal Care Home Administrative Intern

- Experienced interdisciplinary coordination between all levels of the continuum of care
- Collated resident care specifics to create efficient personal care resident matrix
- Assisted Administrator with admissions and resident records organization

05/2020–05/2022 Wildwood Golf Club, Allison Park, PA

Food Service Attendant

- Provided quality customer service to all members while efficiently completing requests
- Compiled and uploaded member's information and orders into point-of-sale system

05/2017–02/2020 **UPMC Lighthouse Pointe at Chapel Harbor**, Pittsburgh, PA

Food Service Attendant

- Ensured residents received quality dining services in a home-like atmosphere
- Trained new employees and ensured long-term implementation of shift expectations

### **LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE ACTIVITIES**

01/2019–05/2022 Member, Future Healthcare Leaders

02/2020–11/2021 Vice President of Education and Secretary, Alpha Sigma Tau Sorority

02/2020–04/2021 Volunteer, Don't Stop Dreamin'

**HONORS AND AWARDS** 

2018–2022 Dean's List, Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania

2022 Summa Cum Laude, Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS

01/2022–11/2022 Personal Care Home Administrator License, Butler County Community College

03/2022–03/2024 EssentiALZ Certification, Alzheimer's Association

03/2022–03/2024 CPR/First Aid/AED Certification, American Heart Association

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**EDUCATION** 

2024 University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

Master of Health Administration

2022 State University of New York at Geneseo, Geneseo, NY

Bachelor of Arts in Psychology Minor(s): Human Development

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

09/2019–05/2022 **SUNY Geneseo**, Geneseo, NY

Student Caller for College Advancement

- Called alumni of all ages to fundraise for SUNY Geneseo's Annual Fund
- Updated alumni Smartcall database with new information
- Utilized active listening skills throughout conversations with alumni and answered questions and concerns they have related to SUNY Geneseo

01/2021–05/2022 **SUNY Geneseo**, Geneseo, NY

Research Assistant in Marginalization Lab

- Assisted in research on conceptual metaphor theory, ambient belonging cues in digital spaces, and precarious manhood
- Ran participants to gather data that can later be analyzed and interpretated
- Worked collaboratively to create research poster presentations

06/2018–08/2021 Shaker Rehabilitation and Nursing Center, Albany, NY

Summer Intern

- Led activities that physically and mentally engaged residents during summer months
- Organized stimulating games and events for senior residents with memory disorders
- Built connections with residents through one- on- one discussions

### **LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE ACTIVITIES**

08/2021–05/2022 Supervisor Caller for College Advancement, SUNY Geneseo

08/2019–05/2022 Volunteer and Semester Intern, Home Away from Home Respite Program, SUNY Geneseo

09/2020—Present Silver Line Friendly Caller, Lifespan of Greater Rochester Inc.

03/2019–05/2022 Volunteer, Morgan Estates Senior Living, Geneseo

### **HONORS AND AWARDS**

2022 Magna Cum Laude and President's List, SUNY Geneseo

2020 Member, Psi Chi, Psychology Honors Society

2018–2022 Dean's List, SUNY Geneseo

2022 Public Health Futures Award, University of Pittsburgh

Health Policy and Management Achievement Award, University of Pittsburgh
Nathan Hershey Endowment in Health Administration, University of Pittsburgh

### PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS

01/2021—Present Social Behavioral Educational Researcher, CITI Program Certification



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### **EDUCATION**

2025 **University of Pittsburgh,** Pittsburgh, PA

Master of Health Administration Master of Business Administration

2018 The George Washington University, Washington, DC

Bachelor of Arts in Organizational Sciences

Minor(s): Public Health



### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

07/2018-06/2022 **C** 

Optum (part of UnitedHealth Group), Lake Success, NY

Finance Intern, Financial Analyst, Senior Financial Operations Analyst

- Secured \$150M+ in capital funding to create eight multi-specialty medical clinics across Long Island
- Implemented productivity-based compensation models for healthcare providers across all service lines, reviewed provider contracts, collaborated with legal team to draft new agreements
- Conducted value analyses on specialty drugs to seek true profitability, pricing errors, and rebate opportunities; instituted biosimilar standardization and GPO standardization company-wide
- Responsible for maintaining annual capital budget of \$100M+ and conducting financial analysis to seek project desirability

06/2017-09/2017

Northwell Health, Lake Success, NY

Administrative Intern

- Analyzed vendor contracts and financial statements; ensured that vendors would be paid properly and in a timely manner
- Communicated regularly with Accounts Payable Manager to ensure delivery of all items ordered by the 20+ hospitals in the Northwell Health System
- Organized an emergency management book for hospital leadership; served as guide on which vendors to contact in case of natural disaster

### **LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE ACTIVITIES**

02/2017–05/2017 Volunteer, The George Washington University Hospital

03/2020–06/2022 Physician Compensation Committee Member, Optum Tri-State (part of UnitedHealth Group)

### **HONORS AND AWARDS**

2014

Presidential Academic Scholar, The George Washington University

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### **EDUCATION**

2024 University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

Master of Health Administration

2022 **Gannon University**, Erie, PA

Bachelor of Science in Business Administration (Healthcare

Management)
Minor: Biology



08/2022-Present Allegheny Health Network- Allegheny General Hospital, Pittsburgh, PA

**Emergency Department Patient Access Coordinator** 

- Identified patient financial responsibilities, collected liabilities and post payment transactions as appropriate in the ADT system and performed daily reconciliation
- Verified insurance and identified payor authorization or referral requirements
- Collaborated daily with the clinical team, first responders, patients, physician offices and designated external agencies or vendors

12/2021–07/2022 Allegheny Health Network-Saint Vincent Hospital, Erie, PA

Heart Center and Emergency Department Patient Access Coordinator

- Updated patient charts and verified proof of insurance for over 100 patents a day
- Sent and received insurance authorizations to create patient services estimates
- Contacted patients by phone for preregistration, scheduling, and billing updates.

05/2021–02/2022 BAYADA Pediatrics, Erie, PA

Client Service Management Intern

- Completed weekly payroll for over 150 nurses and home health aides
- Sent and received insurance authorizations for over 65 clients through payer portals
- Managed filing of health records for all clients through AlayaCare and Bears

### **LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE ACTIVITIES**

09/2017–11/2021 Volunteer, Soldiers and Sailors Home

09/2017–08/2018 Chair, Model United Nations

05/2017–09/2017 Volunteer, Twinbrook Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center

**HONORS AND AWARDS** 

2022 Honors Scholar, Gannon University Honors Program

2022 Cum Lade, Gannon University

2017–2022 Dean's List, Gannon University Morosky College of Health Professions and Sciences/College of

**Engineering and Business** 

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS

10/2018–Present Certification, Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPPA)

09/2020–05/2022 Member, Alpha Kappa Psi-Business Fraternity 05/2021–05/2022 Certification, Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR)



# MPH and JD/MPH Students



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**EDUCATION** 

2024 University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

Master of Public Health

1992 University of Mosul College of Medicine, Mosul, IRAQ

**Doctor of Medicine** 

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

06/1992–10/1997 University of Mosul College of Medicine, Mosul, IRAQ

Medical Intern & Resident in Clinical Chemistry

Patient care

Lab work

08/1998–12/2003 Hamad Medical Corporation, New Women's Hospital, Doha, QATAR

Resident in Obstetrics & Gynecology

Patient Care and Specialty training in OBGYN

01/2004–07/2007 Hamad Medical Corporation, New Women's Hospital, Doha, QATAR

Specialist (Attending)

• Administration, Patient care, Teaching and Research

### **LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE ACTIVITIES**

01/2004–07/2007 Instructor in Advanced Life Support in Obstetrics, Hamad Medical Corporation, Qatar

### **HONORS AND AWARDS**

1992 Certificate of Distinction (Ranked 4<sup>th</sup> among 291 medical students), University of Mosul College

of Medicine

### PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS

01/2007–Present Member, Qatar OBGYN Society
01/1998–07/2007 Member, Iraqi OBGYN Society
10/1992–07/2007 Member, Iraqi Red Crescent Society
07/1998–01/2004 Associate, Qatar OBGYN Society



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### **EDUCATION**

2024 University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

Master of Public Health

2023 University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

Bachelor of Arts in Health Services Minors: Chemistry, Africana Studies

# PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

08/2020–Present University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

Peer Facilitator

- Instruct curriculum covering effective communication, social identities, and conflict management to a cohort of student leaders
- Implement creative course modifications that encourage stimulating discussions and diversity in thought among participants

06/2022–12/2021 University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

Student Ambassador

- Developed programing for college international students concentrated on overcoming academic, cultural, and personal challenge
- Refreshed curriculum by incorporating time management, adaptability, communication, and emotional intelligence lessons
- Engaged in global-citizenship workshops, participated in heritage education events, and provided mentorship to incoming students

### LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE ACTIVITIES

03/21—Present College Advocates for Top Care and Health, College Advocates for Top Care and Health

08/21–Present Student Volunteer, Family House

### **HONORS AND AWARDS**

2019 Nordenberg Leadership Scholarship, University of Pittsburgh

2020 Panther leadership Summit, University of Pittsburgh2020 Panther Leadership Academy, University of Pittsburgh

2021 LeaderSHAPE Program, LeaderSHAPE



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### **EDUCATION**

2024 University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

Master of Public Health Certificate: Health Equity

2022 University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

Bachelor of Science in Microbiology; History & Philosophy of Science

Minor: Chemistry

Certificate: Conceptual Foundations of Medicine

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

11/2020–Present University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

Microbial Genomics Epidemiology Laboratory Technician

- Process bacterial and viral samples for DNA and RNA extraction using BSL-2 protocol
- Culture clinical specimens for Clostridium difficile testing using an anaerobic chamber
- Quantify genomic DNA following extraction

09/2019–05/2022 University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

Band Room Office Assistant

- Maintained an organizational online database of all pieces of music
- Assisted in the organization of band room supplies and instruments
- Assisted the Band Directors with miscellaneous tasks

### **LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE ACTIVITIES**

08/2018-05/2022	Squad Leader, University of Pittsburgh Varsity Marching band
05/2018-05/2020	Fundraising Chair, Kappa Kappa Psi – Alpha Omega Chapter
04/2020-04/2021	District Member-at-Large, Kappa Kappa Psi – Northeast District
04/2020-04/2021	Chapter President, Kappa Kappa Psi – Alpha Omega Chapter
03/2021-06/2022	District President, Kappa Kappa Psi – Northeast District

### **HONORS AND AWARDS**

J. Lee Burke Student Achievement Award, Kappa Kappa Psi

2021 Women's Achievement in Band Award, Tau Beta Sigma – Gamma Omega Chapter

### PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS

2020 Chemical Hygiene Training, University of Pittsburgh

2020 Blood Borne Pathogens for Laboratory Personnel, University of Pittsburgh

2020 Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative: Good Clinical Practice for Clinical Trials, Biomedical

Human Subjects Research, Conflicts of Interest, Information Privacy & Security, Responsible

Conduct of Research



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### **EDUCATION**

2024 University of Pittsburgh School of Public Health, Pittsburgh, PA

Master of Public Health

2023 University of Pittsburgh Dietrich College of Arts and Sciences and

David C. Frederick Honors College, Pittsburgh, PA

Bachelor of Science in Biological Sciences, Bachelor of Arts in

Philosophy

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

08/2018-Present University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine, Pittsburgh, PA

Research Assistant

- Studied skin biology, immunology, and cancer vaccine strategies and the skins response to adjuvants
- Co-author of publication published in the Journal for ImmunoTherapy of Cancer
- Presented posters at 2018 National Meeting of the American Association of Cancer Research, 2019 National Meeting of the American Association of Cancer Research, and the 2020 Annual Meeting of the Society for Investigative Dermatology
- Delivered oral presentations at the 2020 Virtual Annual Meeting of the American association of Cancer Research, and the 2021 Virtual Annual Meeting of the American Association of Immunologists
- Obtained first-hand experience and developed expertise in related laboratory techniques including tissue culture, small animal models, microscopy, gene gun immunization, quantitative RT-PCR, flow cytometry, and Luminex

### LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE ACTIVITIES

06/2021-Present Director of Summer Outreach Camp, Saints John and Paul Parish

01/2019-Present Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service

06/2021-08/2021 Director of The Red Door Service Program, Saint Mary of Mercy Church

05/2019-12/2019 Habitat for Humanity of Greater Pittsburgh

05/2019-12/2019 Produce to People – Greater Pittsburgh Community Foodbank

### **HONORS AND AWARDS**

2018-2022 Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences Dean's List

2021 Frederick Honors College Health Science Research Fellowship

2021 Gamma Sigma Alpha: Greek Honor Society 2021 Order of Omega: Greek Honor Society

### PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS

Associate Member, American Society of Gene and Cancer Cell Therapy (ASGCT) 06/2022–Present

05/2021-Present Associate Member, The American Association of Immunologists (AAI)

05/2020-Present Associate Member, Society for Investigative Dermatology (SID)



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### **EDUCATION**

2024 University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

Master of Public Health

2000 Chatham University Pittsburgh, PA

Master of Physician Assistant Studies

1993 **Carlow University**, Pittsburgh, PA

Bachelor of Science in Nursing

### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

05/2016-07/2020

Butler Memorial Hospital, Butler, PA

Orthopedic Patient Navigator/Bundled Payments Department

- Initiate and manage CJR and bundled payment programs for Orthopedics. Establish and track quality metrics, review data, and develop plans for process improvement.
   Improve and maintain care continuum for patients undergoing total joint replacement including health optimization, education, coordination of specialty referral and community resources, discharge planning.
- Collaboration with physicians, nursing, physical and occupational therapy, and social services, outpatient facilities, skilled nursing facilities to provide excellent quality, individualized, and cost-effective care.

08/2000-08/2014

**TriRivers Surgical Associates, Allegheny Orthopedic Associates, Pittsburgh, PA** 

Physician Assistant

- Evaluation and treatment of orthopedic patients; office hours independently and concurrent with physicians.
- Pre-operative and post-operative management, history and physical examination, procedures, fracture care, and joint and soft tissue injections.
- First assistant in surgery. Hospital rounds and inpatient management. Consults and emergency room evaluation and treatment.

09/2006-05/2013

Chatham University, Pittsburgh, PA

Adjunct Faculty Physician Assistant Studies Program

- Physical Diagnosis I and II: instructing first-year PA students in physical examination skills. Proctoring competency evaluations for system-based and problem-focused physical examination skills. Development of problem-based competencies.
- Leading STAR simulation lab real-time patient evaluation and treatment scenarios.
- Writing and presenting lectures on specialty topics: orthopedic special tests, splinting and casting, surgical techniques.

### **LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE ACTIVITIES**

07/2014 Operation Walk, Honduras

10/1989 Orthopedics Overseas, Peshawar, Pakistan



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### **EDUCATION**

2025 **University of Pittsburgh,** Pittsburgh, PA

Juris Doctor, Master of Public Health

2020 **PennWest University**, California, PA

Professional Science Master's - Applied Math

Certificate: SAS Data Science Training

2019 **PennWest University**, California, PA

Bachelor of Arts

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

05/2022–08/2022 Highmark Health, Pittsburgh, PA

Law Clerk

- Advise on the use of emerging technologies for patient information and compliance with HIPAA, CCPA/CPRA, and GDPR
- Conduct document review on NDA for non-compete clauses and research, write, and review memorandum for litigation department

01/2022–03/2022 University of Pittsburgh School of Law, Pittsburgh, PA

Legal Research Assistant

 Aided investigative research led by Professor Greer Donley on how changes in FDA regulation of mifepristone will affect PA healthcare providers and PA statutory regulations on abortion

08/2019–05/2020 Parrish Law Offices, Pittsburgh, PA

Legal Intern

 Analyzed evidence as a statistical expert in Medicare Hearings and drafted appeals and pre-hearing briefs for Medicare beneficiaries and research misconduct cases; provided Mandarin translation for clients

### LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE ACTIVITIES

08/2022–Present Staff Editor, University of Pittsburgh Law Review, Volume 84
06/2022–Present Graduate Teaching Assistant, University of Pittsburgh School of Law
06/2022–Present Undergraduate Teaching Assistant, University of Pittsburgh Honors College
08/2021–05/2022 1L Committee Chair – Event Planning, Pitt Law Women's Association
08/2021–05/2022 1L Representative, Asian Pacific American Law Student Association

### **HONORS AND AWARDS**

2022 Overall Runner Up Team – Pitt Law Negotiations Competition, University of Pittsburgh School of Law

2021 Blue and Gold Dean's Full Scholarship, University of Pittsburgh School of Law

2021 Pittsburgh Foundation Truxall Scholarship, Pittsburgh Foundation

2021 Health Policy & Management Achievement Award Scholarship, University of Pittsburgh School of

**Public Health** 

2020 Presidential Scholars Honors (top 5% of class), PennWest University

### PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS

06/2022–Present Certified Legal Observer, National Lawyers Guild 09/2021–Present Member, Allegheny County Bar Association

05/2012–Present Member, American MENSA



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2024 University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

Master of Public Health

2023 University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

Bachelor of Arts in Health Services

Minor: Africana Studies

Certificate: Conceptual Foundations of Medicine

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

05/2022–08/2022 **Sanofi**, Cambridge, MA

Patient Support Services Intern

- Assisted the patient support services team in ensuring the seamless execution of crossfunctional partner launch plans, identifying critical interdependencies, tracking progress against key milestones, highlighting risks, and resolving issues as they arise
- Assisted in the testing and rollout process of the iCare patient management program at Sanofi Genzyme's Cambridge-Crossing location

06/2021–01/2022 WSFS Bank, Philadelphia, PA

Summer Associate

- Acquired Bank-telling related skills including balancing currency; receiving, verifying, and depositing cash and checks; and preparing money for shipment to branch banks and the Federal Reserve Bank
- Learned money handling policies to gain insight into the financing, management, and delivery of services

07/2019–08/2019 Thomas Jefferson Renal Associates, Philadelphia, PA

Summer Intern

 Assisted renal physicians in their daily activities including the assessment and treatment of the renal function of incoming patients

### LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE ACTIVITIES

08/2021–05/2022 Financial Secretary, Black Action Society

08/2021–05/2022 Mentor, Ready to Learn Program

08/2020–05/2021 Community Assistant Leader, *The Corner* 

### **HONORS AND AWARDS**

2020 Panda Cares Scholarship, Panda Cares & UNCF
 2019 Cathedral Scholarship, University of Pittsburgh
 2019 Honors College Admission, University of Pittsburgh

### PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS

09/2021–Present INROADS Scholar, INROADS



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**EDUCATION** 

2025 University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

Master of Public Health in Health Policy and Management

2017 University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

Bachelor of Science in Psychology

Minor: Exercise Science

2014 Mount Aloysius College, Cresson, PA

**Biological Sciences** 

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

08/2018–Present Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Department of Human Services, Pittsburgh, PA

Regional Workload Manager

- Serve as a liaison between the Department and stakeholders
- Regulatory enforcement of Pennsylvania Code Title 55, Chapters 2600 and 2800
- Manage daily regional and operational needs in accordance with Pennsylvania Code
   Title 55, Chapters 2600 and 2800

09/2017–08/2018 UPMC Western Psychiatric Institute and Clinic, Pittsburgh, PA

Blended Service Coordinator

- Conduct risk and needs based assessments to develop treatment and service plans for program participants
- Coordinate medical, therapeutic, and housing services for program participants
- Coordinate care team for program participants to implement treatment and service plans

10/2014–04/2017 University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

Research Assistant

- Conduct qualitative and quantitative data analysis
- Assist with manuscript development
- Conduct participant recruitment for research projects

### LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE ACTIVITIES

08/2019–Present Advisor, Delta Phi Epsilon International Sorority 08/2014–04/2017 Member, Delta Phi Epsilon International Sorority

### **HONORS AND AWARDS**

2013 Mercy Presidential Scholarship, Mount Aloysius College
 2013 Biological Sciences Grant, Mount Aloysius College

2013 All-Academic Team, Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference



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### **EDUCATION**

2024 University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

Master of Public Health

2022 Rutgers University – New Brunswick, New Brunswick, NJ

Bachelor of Science in Public Health
Certificate: Health Advocacy & Education

2022 Rutgers University – New Brunswick, New Brunswick, NJ

Bachelor of Arts in Psychology

### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

02/2022–Present Saint Peter's University Hospital, New Brunswick, NJ

340B Pharmaceutical Services Intern

- Assisted in administrative duties for the 340B team
- Created presentations about different aspects of the 340B program and public health issues
- Hospital newsletter contributor

06/2017–08/2021 **Dwight Englewood School**, Englewood, NJ

Summer Health Staff

- Conducted screenings and established interventions to protect the community from the coronavirus to create a secure campus accredited by the American Camp Association
- Examined and completed medical files to create a safe camp environment

### LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE ACTIVITIES

05/2020–05/2022 President, Rutgers Cantonese Club

05/2019–05/2022 Programming Chair, Rutgers Cantonese Club
09/2020–05/2022 Community Building Team, GlobemedxRutgers

09/2018–05/2021 Class Representative, Rutgers University Association of Undergraduate Geneticists

### **HONORS AND AWARDS**

2022 May Intern of the Month, Saint Peter's University Hospital
2021 Member, Eta Sigma Gamma Health Education Honor Society

2019-2021 Dean's List, Rutgers University – New Brunswick

### PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS

02/2022–Present Member, Healthcare Finance Management Association

02/2022–Present Social/Behavioral/Epidemiologic Research Investigators, CITI Program 05/2018–Present Seal of Biliteracy in Italian, New Jersey Department of Education



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### **EDUCATION**

2024 University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

Master of Public Health in Health Policy and Management

2019 University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

Doctor of Philosophy in Biomedical Sciences

2012 The College of William & Mary, Williamsburg, VA

Bachelor of Science, Kinesiology and Health Sciences

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

07/2019–Present University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

Postdoctoral Scholar

- Bench researcher with a focus on renal physiology and hormone signaling
- Mentor undergraduate, graduate, and medical students in the laboratory setting

09/2018–Present Pitt Kidney Disease Screening Awareness and Prevention Club, Pittsburgh, PA

Advisor

- Supervise undergraduate students in performing community kidney health screenings and educational programs that aim to help identify kidney disease in its early stages
- Teach modules on renal physiology and pathology
- Facilitate students gaining research and shadowing experience to help encourage them to think about careers in nephrology

### LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE ACTIVITIES

05/2022—Present President, University of Pittsburgh Postdoctoral Association

03/2021—Present Representative, APS Renal Physiology Trainee Advisory Committee

09/2019–Present Postdoctoral Representative, Pitt University Senate

### **HONORS AND AWARDS**

2020-2022 T32 postdoctoral fellow, Division of Endocrinology, University of Pittsburgh

2022 Best Abstract Award, Epithelial Transport, APS Experimental Biology

Best Bench Research, ASN Young Investigator Forum
 Nephrology Fellowship, Relypsa Fellows Program
 Nephrology Fellowship, Relypsa Scholars Program

### PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS

07/2012–Present Member, American Physiological Society
01/2015–Present Member, American Society of Nephrology
09/2013–Present Member, American Heart Association



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2024 University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

Master of Public Health

2023 University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

Bachelor of Arts in History and Philosophy of Science

Certificate: Global Health

### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

05/2022–08/2022 **Jewish Healthcare Foundation**, Pittsburgh, PA

Patient Safety Intern

- Advocated for a National Patient Safety Board through building a coalition of support
- Collaborated with stakeholders to create an initiative that funds and supports competitions that advance patient safety technology regionally and nationally
- Created a Pittsburgh Regional Autonomous Patient Safety Blueprint

04/2021–Present Meals on Wheels, Morgantown, WV

**Route Coordinator** 

- Conduct intake interviews with clients taking into consideration their needs in terms of price, dietary restrictions, and meals delivery days.
- Coordinate 5 weekly volunteers' schedules, scout substitute drivers as needed, and set the route to maximize efficiency

11/2017–12/2021 Pantry Plus More, Morgantown, WV

Volunteer Coordinator

- Led a team of 20 volunteers redesigning the School Outreach Room
- Managed and inventoried non-perishables and fresh produce
- Orchestrated a team of volunteers to fill backpacks with school supplies

### LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE ACTIVITIES

01/2022–05/2022 Service Committee, Phi Sigma Pi National Honor Fraternity

07/2019–12/2021 Nutrition Committee Member, Pantry Plus More

05/2020–06/2021 COVID Response Volunteer, Monongalia Health Department

### **HONORS AND AWARDS**

2020-Present Dean's List, University of Pittsburgh

2019 National Merit Scholar, National Merit Scholarship Corporation

2017 Gold Award, Girl Scouts of America

### PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS

06/2022–Present Mental Health First Aid Responder, National Council for Mental Wellbeing

02/2022–Present Scholar, Pennsylvania AHEC Scholar Program

06/2020–Present COVID Contact Tracer, Association of State and Territorial Health Officials

06/2022–07/2022 Feinstein Patient Safety Fellow, Jewish Healthcare Foundation



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### **EDUCATION**

2024 University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

Master of Public Health

2022 The Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA

Bachelor of Science in Health Policy and Administration

Minor: African American Studies

### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

11/2021–05/2022 **Penn State University Bookstore**, University Park, PA

Cashier

- Processed monetary transactions
- Acquired customer service skills through assisting customers and answering phones
- Assisted customers throughout the store

06/2021–08/2021 Veterans Affairs Pittsburgh Healthcare System, Pittsburgh, PA

Administrative Intern

- Managed the coalition of reimbursement claims for beneficiary travels
- Created PowerPoint presentations to further advocacy and awareness of the transportation department
- Conducted state and federal research on laws regarding patient transportation
- Review current patient safety laws
- Assisted in department presentation to the Referral Coordination Initiative Board
- Assisted in creating the budgeting plan for the upcoming fiscal year

11/2019–03/2020 Penn State University Bookstore, University Park, PA

Bookseller

- Created weekly advertisements for merchandise through Adobe
- Assisted customers with questions regarding tech equipment
- Processed monetary transactions

LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE ACTIVITIES

08/2019–05/2022 Social Media Chair, The Diversity and Inclusion Student Association of Health and Human

Development

08/2021–05/2022 Member, Association of Collegiate Healthcare Administrators

01/2022–05/2022 Member, Public Health Organization

**HONORS AND AWARDS** 

2018 Bunton-Waller Fellowship, The Pennsylvania State University

Dean's List, The Pennsylvania State UniversityDean's List, The Pennsylvania State University

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS

04/2022–Present Basic Certificate in Quality and Safety, Institution of Healthcare Improvement

02/2022—Present Youth Mental Health First Aide, National Council for Mental Wellbeing 05/2021—Present Privacy and HIPAA, Veterans Affairs Pittsburgh Healthcare System

09/2019–Present Improving Cultural Competency for Behavioral Health Professionals, The Pennsylvania State

University



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### **EDUCATION**

2024 University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

Master of Public Health

2017 Seton Hall University, South Orange, NJ

Bachelor of Journalism & Public Relations; Bachelor of Philosophy

### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

03/01/2021—Present School of Public Health, Pittsburgh, PA

Executive Administrative Coordinator, Office of the Dean

- Provide C-suite support to Dean Maureen Lichtveld of the School of Public Health at the University of Pittsburgh. Responsibilities include Board of Visitors engagement and planning, editing and distributing school-wide communications, annual faculty and staff retreat logistics, as well as other ongoing events and initiatives at the school
- Manage all actionable tasks for the Dean, including manuscript deadlines, reviews and submissions, advance agenda planning events, and mentoring and philanthropy projects
- Coordinate interviews with internal and external prospective leadership candidates on behalf of the Dean and serve as the primary point of contact

11/2018-03/2021

Division of Infectious Diseases, Pittsburgh, PA

Executive Administrative Coordinator to the Division Chief

- Prepare presentations, faculty evaluations, scientific journal submissions, and various other event and meeting management for the Division Chief's central role as the Endowed Chair for Global Elimination of HIV and AIDS
- Coordinate all aspects of the Chief's and Center Directors' schedule
- Coordinate the Center for Infectious Diseases Outreach (CIDO) and ID Division website

09/2017-11/2018

Office of the Provost, Pittsburgh, PA

Administrative Assistant

- Provide full administrative support for the Vice Provost for Graduate Studies and the Vice Provost for Undergraduate Studies
- Manage actionable tasks relating to faculty promotion and tenure requests, alterations to academic policies, and changes to majors or concentrations within individual colleges
- Coordinate event logistics for events such as the 2018 Assessment & Teaching Conference; the first annual 3-Minute Thesis Competition; the first annual Graduate Studies Retreat; staffing for Graduate Commencement and Graduate & Professional Student orientation

### **HONORS AND AWARDS**

2017 Honors College Graduate, Seton Hall University

2013 Building Trade Fund Scholarship, Heat & Frost Insulators Local Union #2

2013 Rotary Youth Leadership Scholarship, Rotary Club 5138



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### **EDUCATION**

2024 University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

Master of Public Health

2023 University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

Bachelor of Arts in Political Science (Comparative Politics)

Minor: Spanish

Certificate: Global Health

2022 University College London, London, United Kingdom

Politics & International Relations (Exchange Year)

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

05/2021–Present University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

Research Assistant

- Assisted research assistants in qualitative research to assess drivers for vaccine hesitancy
- Aggregated information on vaccine mandate policies for deeper understanding of the relationship between the policies and related hesitancy
- Organized responses to Twitter surveys about vaccine hesitancy and mandates

### LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE ACTIVITIES

09/2021–06/2022 Member, Politics & International Relations Society UCL 10/2019–08/2021 Mentor, Strong Women Strong Girls of Pittsburgh

10/2018–08/2021 EMS Trainee, West Essex First Aid Squad

### PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS

04/2019—Present Spanish Biliterate Certification, State of New Jersey



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### **EDUCATION**

2024 University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

Master of Public Health

2010 **John Carroll University**, University Heights, OH

Bachelor of Science, Biology

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

07/2022–Present University of Pittsburgh-Mass Spectrometry Core Facility, Pittsburgh, PA

Laboratory and Project Manager

- Management and maintenance of Mass Spectrometry laboratory
- Project management of various collaborations
- Sample preparation and MS method development

07/2017–07/2022 University of Pittsburgh- Department of Pharmacology and Chemical Biology, Pittsburgh, PA

Laboratory Manager, Research Technician IV

- Daily oversight of Dr. Bruce Freeman's in accordance with EH&S standards
- Writing and maintenance of IRB and IAUCUC approvals and modifications
- General bench work and mouse animal husbandry

01/2011–01/2016 University of Pittsburgh- Asthma Institute, Pittsburgh, PA

Laboratory Technician I-III, Clinical Research Specialist

- Point person in charge of immunohistochemistry and morphometric image analysis
- SARP certified for clinical bronchoscopy processing in Dr. Sally Wenzel's lab
- Database maintenance

### LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE ACTIVITIES

12/2021–Present Volunteer, Latino Community Center

02/2018–09/2019 Social Relationships Chair, John Carroll Alumni Board-Pittsburgh

### PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS

11/2021–07/2022 FSDP, Diversity and Inclusion Certificate Program University of Pittsburgh



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**EDUCATION** 

2022-2024 University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

Master of Public Health

2020 University of Pittsburgh at Johnstown, Johnstown, PA

Bachelor of Healthcare in Management and Supervision

2020 University of Pittsburgh at Johnstown, Johnstown, PA

Associate of Respiratory Care

Certificate: Registered respiratory therapist certificate

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

04/2022–08/2022 **Keystone peer review organization**, Harrisburg, PA

Medicare appeal representative

- Part of Review Team to identify areas for potential improvement, as noted on case reviews and process
- Determined how to best assist caller either by a service offered by KEPRO or by referring them to an external agency and properly enter referral into CMS system
- Answered the Beneficiary Helpline through the utilization of the hunt group and available light functions

06/2020-02/2021 **UPMC Shadyside department of respiratory care**, Pittsburgh, PA

Respiratory Therapist

- Monitored patients' hemodynamics, interpreted vital signs and symptoms and other clinical data to provide the best respiratory care
- Provided impeccable patient education including bronchial hygiene, breathing exercises, and smoking cession
- Assessed patients' vital signs, reactions to the therapies, environmental changes (humidity, temperature, gas concentration), and provided modifications and precautions to optimize patient clinical outcomes
- Set up and operated mechanical ventilators, gas sources, and respiratory aerosol equipment. Troubleshooting equipment malfunctions and ensure respiratory equipment safety and efficiency
- Reviewed data, checked physicians' orders, routinely assessed patients, and documented the patients' signs and symptoms

### **LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE ACTIVITIES**

06/2019–09/2019 Volunteer-Shadyside ambassador, UPMC Shadyside hospital

**HONORS AND AWARDS** 

2020 College scholar of the class of 2020, University of Pittsburgh at Johnstown

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS

07/2021–08/2021 PH211X: Improving your business through a culture of health; study offered by Harvard

University Online course, Harvard



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### **EDUCATION**

2024 University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

Master of Public Health

2022 University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT

Molecular and Cell Biology

Minor: Healthcare Management and Insurance Studies

### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

05/2022–Present

Goodwin University, East Hartford, CT

Professional Science Tutor

- Tutored in courses including Anatomy and Physiology I+II, Human Biology, Microbiology and Health Sciences; interacted with students in a positive, upbeat learning environment
- Tailored my teaching approach to fit each student so they could understand sciencebased concepts, answered questions, and presented materials in a clear, concise order
- Provided study methods and skills and assisted students with detailed explanations for numerous assignments and core subjects in the sciences

06/2018-08/2021

Newington Parks and Recreation, Newington, CT

Lifeguard/Water Safety Instructor

- Able to perform emergency First-Aid and CPR if needed and oversee the care of a patient until the ambulance arrived.
- Encouraged and enforced the safety of health to the patrons while maximizing customer satisfaction and resolving issues promptly with a positive attitude
- Planned for the day while considering all students' abilities and progressive development and instructed swimming techniques, strokes, and water safety rules to students of different swimming abilities and ages

### LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE ACTIVITIES

08/2018–05/2022 Member, Pre-Med/Pre-Dental Society 08/2018–05/2022 Member, Health Science Society

### PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS

01/2019—Present Water Safety Instructor, American Red Cross 06/2018—Present Lifeguard/CPR/First Aid/AED, American Red Cross



# PhD and MS Students



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**EDUCATION** 

Expected 2027 University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

Doctor of Philosophy in Health Services Research and Policy

2022 University of Exeter, Exeter, England

Master of Science in Applied Data Science and Statistics

2016 **Boston University**, Boston, Massachusetts

Bachelor of Arts in Pure and Applied Mathematics



### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

08/2020–04/2021 Brio Systems, Boston, Massachusetts

**Business Intelligence Analyst** 

- Produced visualizations and dashboards from multiple data streams using Amazon
   QuickSight to provide key metrics to the sales, product, and operations teams.
- Worked with the company's executives to identify pressing errors in their COVID-19 testing process by creating an analysis tool to identify and categorize errors in the collection of samples and distribution of over 100,000 test results.

06/2020–08/2020 **Brio Systems**, Boston, Massachusetts

Mathematical Modeling Intern

• Built a variant of the basic SIR epidemiological model to increase the accuracy of a COVID-19 surveillance program and predict the market for Brio's COVID-19 tests.

06/2020–08/2020 **meQuilibrium**, Boston, Massachusetts

Operations and Analytics Intern

- Verified over 100 algorithm values to ameliorate product functionality.
- Aided in standardizing historical reporting to improve data quality and future analysis.
- Collaborated on reports for different branches to advance customer reporting projects.

01/2019–04/2020 **Rocketbook**, Boston, Massachusetts

**Product Analyst Intern** 

- Brought a new product accessory to market to solve a major user problem and analyzed
  the impact of said product on customer retention rates by creating a testing cohort. The
  product accessory increased retention by 16%.
- Ran a weekly cross functional meeting between product, marketing, and customer happiness to keep all three teams in sync.
- Built an analytic dashboard on Google Data Studio to present and analyze key metrics.
- Constructed a strategy for the biweekly survey sent to new users to gather information. Analyzed results to answer top questions from company leadership.

06/2018–08/2018 **Global Atlantic Financial Group**, Brighton, Massachusetts *Product Operations Intern* 

- Maintained an Excel spreadsheet calculation tool for Third Party Administrators (TPAs).
- Balanced weekly TPA reports using product calculations.
- Identified discrepancies in approximately 200 life insurance policies using an existing TPA calculation tool.

### RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

04/2022-08/2022

University of Exeter, Exeter, England

Master's Thesis Student, Advisor: Dr. G.J. Melendez-Torres and Dr. Mark Kelson

• Thesis topic: Cost-effectiveness analysis of biologic treatments for severe asthma using discrete event simulation.

03/2022-07/2022

Peninsula Technology Assessment Group, Exeter, England

Master's Student Researcher, Advisor: Dr. G.J. Melendez-Torres

 Contributed to the Tezepelumab health technology assessment by verifying costing data used in the company's model with appraisals from the National Institute for Health and Care Excellence.

08/2020-09/2021

Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Boston, Massachusetts

Clinical Research Assistant, Advisor: Dr. John Torous

- Directed a consortium of over 50 different sites around the world using LAMP by providing technical support helping sites to deploy and use LAMP to its full capacity.
- Supported LAMP users by creating both clinical and technical documentation, individual training sessions, hosting bimonthly webinars and newsletters, and managing an online forum.
- Performed data analysis in Python and R to identify trends in functionality of 278 mental health apps.
- Designed a new bug tracking system to increase efficiency with which issues in LAMP were assigned and resolved.

### **RESEARCH PUBLICATIONS**

**Bilden, R.**, & Torous, J. (2022). "Global Collaboration Around Digital Mental Health: The LAMP Consortium." *Journal of Technology in Behavioral Science*, Jan 2022: 1-7.

Lagan, S., D'Mello, R., Vaidyam, A., **Bilden, R.**, & Torous, J. (2021). "Assessing mental health apps marketplaces with objective metrics from 29,190 data points from 278 apps." *Acta Psychiatrica Scandinavica*. 2021 Aug: 144(2):201-10.

# **Haley Director**

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**EDUCATION** 

Expected 2026 University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

PhD, Health Services Research and Policy

2022 University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

MPH in Public Health Genetics Certificate(s): Health Equity

2020 Brandeis University, Waltham, MA

BS in Biology; Chemistry (Chemical Biology); Hispanic Studies



### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

October 2022–Present New England Regional Genetics Network, Durham, NH

Public Health Genetics Intern

- Conduct health equity projects to improve quality of services for Spanish-speaking groups in the Boston/Massachusetts area
- Develop educational materials about public health genetics
- Edit educational materials about attending genetics appointments

06/2021–08/2021 UPMC Health Plan, Pittsburgh, PA

**Medical Policy Intern** 

- Conducted project on Health Disparities in Genetics and Public Health
- Edited medical policy to appropriate health literacy level for beneficiaries

08/2020–Present **Temple Sinai**, Pittsburgh, PA

Faculty Member

- Facilitate project-based learning sessions about Jewish values to students
- Collaborate with the education team and other staff members to create an inclusive learning environment
- Adapt in-person curricula to Zoom during the COVID-19 pandemic

**RESEARCH EXPERIENCE** 

08/2022–Present University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

Graduate Student Researcher, Advisor: Dr. Brittany Brown-Podgorski

Research health disparities

05/2018–06/2018 **Hebrew University**, Jerusalem, Israel

Genetics Lab Intern, Advisor: Dr. Yosef Gruenbaum

- Researched the effects of ß-carotene on cellular respiration
- Performed gel electrophoresis to determine the presence of integral mitochondrial structures

### RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS

**Director, H.,** Vitullo, K., Sabik, L., Felter, E., Drake, C., Vento, J. (2022, April). "Race- and ethnicity-based insurance coverage gaps for genetic testing for cancer in the greater Pittsburgh region." Presented at Dean's Day Research Symposium, Pittsburgh, PA.

**Director, H.,** Vitullo, K., Sabik, L., Felter, E., Drake, C., Vento, J. (2022, March). "Race- and ethnicity-based insurance coverage gaps for genetic testing for cancer in the greater Pittsburgh region." Presented at Health Disparities and Social Justice Poster Competition, Pittsburgh, PA.

### **LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE ACTIVITIES**

12/2021–Present Genomics Forum Policy Chair, American Public Health Association

01/2022–02/2022 Jewish Medical Ethics Fellow, JGrads Pittsburgh

02/2021–04/2022 Department of Human Genetics Student Ambassador, University of Pittsburgh

02/2021–05/2021 Health Justice Scholar, University of Pittsburgh

08/2020–Present Mentor, Científico Latino

### **HONORS AND AWARDS**

2022 Dean's Service Award, University of Pittsburgh

2022 Third Place Masters' Level, University of Pittsburgh Dean's Day Symposium

First Place Masters' Level, University of Pittsburgh Department of Human Genetics
Department of Human Genetics Achievement Award, University of Pittsburgh

2020 Gold Medal, Brandeis University Commitment to Service Award

### PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS

04/2022–Present Member, Delta Omega

08/2021–Present Member, American Public Health Association

05/2021—Present Spanish for Successful Communication in Healthcare Settings, Rice University

# **Glenson France**

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**EDUCATION** 

Expected 2027 University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

Ph.D. Health Services Research and Policy

2018 University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

Certificate, Clinical Research Methods

2001–2007 University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

Economics Ph.D. Program

2000 **Ohio State University**, Columbus, OH

M.A. Economics

1998 University of the West Indies, Mona Campus, Kingston, Jamaica

M.Sc. Economics

1996 University of the West Indies, Mona Campus, Kingston, Jamaica

**B.Sc.** Economics

### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

8/2020–8/2022 University of Pittsburgh, Greensburg, PA

Instructor

Economics Instructor

1/2010–8/2020 University of Pittsburgh, Greensburg, PA

Visiting Instructor and Part-time Instructor

- 8/2014-8/2020 Visiting Instructor of Economics
- 1/2010-8/2014 Part-time Instructor of Economics

9/2006–5/2009 Duquesne University, Pittsburgh, PA

Part-time and Full-time Instructor

- 2007-2009 Visiting Assistant Professor of Economics
- 2006-2007 Part-time Instructor of Economics

### RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

6/2016–6/2019 University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

CoPI

Advisor: Dr. Richard Zimmerman and Dr. Kenneth Smith

The future of influenza vaccine strategies given interference and choice



### RESEARCH PUBLICATIONS

- Smith K., **France G.**, Nowalk M., Raviotta J., DePasse J., Wateska A., Shim E., Zimmerman R. (2019). "Compressed influenza vaccination in US seniors: a decision analysis." American Journal of Preventative Medicine, Volume 56, Issue 4: Pages e135-e141.
- **France G.**, Wateska A., Nowalk M., DePasse J., Raviotta J., Shim E., Zimmerman R., and Smith K. (2018). "Potential Cost-Effectiveness of a Universal Influenza Vaccine in Older Adults." Innovation in Aging, Volume 2, Issue 3: Pages 1-9.
- Raviotta J., Smith K., DePasse J., Brown S., Shim E., Nowalk M., Wateska A., **France G.**, Zimmerman R. (2017). "Cost-Effectiveness and Public Health Impact of Alternative Influenza Vaccination Strategies in High-Risk Adults." Vaccine, Volume 35, Issue 42: Pages 5708-5713.

### **RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS**

**France G.**, Wateska A., Nowalk M., DePasse J., Raviotta J., Shim E., Zimmerman R., and Smith K. (2017, October). "Potential Cost-Effectiveness of a Universal Influenza Vaccine in Older Adults." Presented at Society for Medical Decision Making (SMDM). Lee B. Lusted Candidates Moderated Poster Session, Pittsburgh, PA.

### **LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE ACTIVITIES**

8/2021–1/2022 Faculty Search Committee, University of Pittsburgh-Greensburg

8/2020–4/2022 Vice President of Sigma Beta Delta, University of Pittsburgh-Greensburg
8/2014–4/2022 Undergraduate Student Advising, University of Pittsburgh-Greensburg

### **HONORS AND AWARDS**

2022 K. Leroy Irvis Fellowship, University of Pittsburgh

2016 National Institute of Health Supplemental (NIH) Grant (Grant Number R01GM111121-02), NIH

2001–2006 *Graduate Teaching Assistantship*, University of Pittsburgh

1996–1998 Eastern Caribbean Central Bank Scholarship, University of the West Indies, Mona Campus

1996 First Class Honors, University of the West Indies, Mona Campus

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**EDUCATION** 

2013

2024 (Anticipated) University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

Master of Science in Health Services Research and Policy

2020 **West Chester University**, West Chester, PA

Master of Science in Applied Statistics

Makerere University, Kampala, Uganda

Bachelor of Science in Quantitative Economics

Minor(s): Economics

Certificate(s): Monitoring and Evaluation

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Aug 2020 – Present Unive

University of Pittsburgh, SHRS Data Center, Pittsburgh, PA

Senior Data Manager

- Building data collection tools using REDCAP
- Data analysis, monitoring, and reporting.
- Data processing to Standard Data Tabulation Model (SDTM).

June 2019-Aug 2019

### Farmers Insurance Company, Wilmington, DE

Predictive analyst intern

- Improving the accuracy of homeowner's inspection model
- Performed a cost benefit analysis at renewal business for auto insurance
- Data analysis

### March 2015-May 2018 Innovations for Poverty Action, Kampala, Uganda

Research Officer

- Designed electronic data collection tools using survey CTO and cspro software
- Data cleaning and data back checks
- Data analysis, monitoring, and reporting.

### **RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

Aug 2020–Present

### SHRS Data center, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

Data Manager/Statistician, Advisor: Dr. Charity Patterson

- Manual Therapy and Strengthening for the Hip in older adults with chronic Low back pain.
- Treatment Options for Age-Related hearing Loss in assisted Leaving facilities
- Role of subthalamic nucleus (STN) in speech and movement among people with Parkinson's disease.

Aug 2022-Present

### SHRS Data center, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

Data Manager/Statistician, Advisor: Dr. Charity Patterson

- The influence of Passive Physical therapy Care for Low Back Pain on the one-year opioid use and downstream healthcare Utilization with the Military health system
- RETAIN Vermont, improving the care and support for workers who are injured or ill so they can stay at work or return to work.
- Chronic Low back pain.

