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EDUCATION

University of Chicago, Class of 2024

Chicago, Illinois

Major: B.A. in Psychology and Economics

Expected Graduation: June 2024

Scholarships: University Scholar Award

Deerfield Academy, Class of 2020

Deerfield, Massachusetts

Honors/Awards: AP Scholar

Graduation: May 2020

Activities and Societies: Honor Roll, Green Key Mentor, Sophomore Residential Proctor, Varsity Volleyball Captain, Peer Tutor, Big Brothers Big Sisters, Head Tour Guide, Advanced Dance Tutorial Ensemble

EXPERIENCE

University of Chicago - Development of Social Cognition Laboratory

Chicago, Illinois

Research Assistant

January 2021 – Present

- Study the developmental origins of social understanding through child studies
- Conduct laboratory management, including appointment scheduling and participant recruitment

BLK Capital Management, Corp.

Cambridge, Massachusetts

Equity Research Analyst

September 2020 – Present

- 100% black-owned and student-run investment fund that promotes the financial education of black students across the nation through educational presentations and active research
- Prepare investment pitch decks for bi-annual conferences by conducting company and industry analysis, and developing valuation models

Camps on Campus- UNC Charlotte

Charlotte, North Carolina

Volunteer Counselor-in-Training

June 2017 – August 2019

- Led groups of elementary school students in various academic and recreational activities including introduction to ASL and world geography
- Assisted in the set-up and cleaning of activity stations

LEADERSHIP & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Franklin County

Deerfield, Massachusetts

Mentor

November 2018 – March 2020

- Mentored a fourth-grade student over the course of 18 months, meeting and spending time together weekly

Deerfield Academy Sophomore Proctor

Deerfield, Massachusetts

Residential Proctor

September 2019 – March 2020

- Served as a residence hall advisor and mentor to 14 sophomore students
- Prepared meals for hall residents and organized weekly hall bonding activities in order to strengthen hall community
- Managed an allocated budget from the school to purchase food items throughout the academic year

OTHER SKILLS & INTERESTS

Computer: Microsoft Applications (Excel, Word, PowerPoint & Outlook)

Language: Proficient in Spanish