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EDUCATION

Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN
Bachelor of Arts | Political Science
GPA: 3.63/4.00

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

American Public Power Association (APPA) | *Policy Intern* **December 2021 - January 2022**

- Analyzed 6 published academic articles and 2 technical reports about temperature-caused illnesses and injuries.
- Wrote evidence-based comments to the U.S. Department of Labor to assist with data-driven policymaking to protect utility workers from heat- and cold-caused illnesses and injuries.
- Researched and created a resource of local points of contact for APPA's 1,400 members in case of physical power production issues, cyber-attacks, or other emergency situations (using **Python** and **Microsoft Excel**).

American Civil Liberties Union of Tennessee | *Communications Intern* **May 2020 - August 2020**

- Researched all available information pertaining to the Hamilton County Police Department in order to aid the Communications team in creating a campaign emphasizing the injustices happening in that department.
- Created visualizations of data for a report on incarceration rates in Tennessee jails during the Covid-19 Pandemic.
- Compiled information through various media resources on all demonstrations in Tennessee related to the Black Lives Movement into a spreadsheet.

ACTIVISM & LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

Vanderbilt Political Review | *Staff Writer* **November 2021 - Present**

- Write editorials regarding political issues and events in the US and other countries.
- Research relevant current events to inform potential editorials.

Vanderbilt Student Government | *Diversity & Inclusion Committee Chair* **September 2021 - Present**

- Head weekly meetings with D&I committee to plan and execute D&I initiatives on Vanderbilt's campus.
- Previously served as a member of the Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention committee.

Vanderbilt Prison Project | *Awareness Chair* **August 2020 - Present**

- Conduct the organization of 'Awareness Week' activities in which nonprofit organizations visit campus to educate the Vanderbilt community and raise awareness over issues of mass incarceration and social justice.
- Serve as a presence of support during parole board hearings for Cyrus Wilson, a man who unlawfully served 27 years in prison, in order to display community support which aided his eventual release.

Partners in Health | *Advocacy Lead* **August 2019 - Present**

- Organize a lobbying campaign, including a meeting with former Tennessee Senator Lamar Alexander's office, in an attempt to urge members of the Senate Health Committee to pass the Black Maternal Health Momnibus Act.
- Coordinate a small group meeting with Tennessee Senator Bill Hagerty's office to ask for his needed support of the Health Force and Resilience Force Act, while also leading a Letter to the Editor training focused on the same issue of Covid relief.

SKILLS & INTERESTS

Technical: Microsoft Office, Photoshop, SurveyToGo, WordPress

Language: Spanish (Conversational)

Interests: Social Justice, Jazz Music, Trail Hiking, Hatha Yoga