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EDUCATION

Georgetown University Graduate School, Washington, D.C.

Candidate for M.A. in Communication, Culture, & Technology, May 2027

GPA: 4.0, First Honors

Activities: *Gnovis Journal*, Student Editor

Georgetown University College of Arts and Sciences, Washington, D.C.

B.A. in Justice and Peace Studies with minor in Psychology, May 2026

GPA: 3.978, First Honors

Honors / Awards: *Phi Beta Kappa*; *Alpha Sigma Nu*, International Jesuit Honor Society; *Psi Chi*, International Honor Society in Psychology; *Phi Alpha Theta*, International Honor Society in History

Activities: Delta Phi Epsilon Professional Foreign Service Sorority, *Vice President*

Study Abroad: Social Transformation Program, Georgetown University, Cape Town, South Africa, Summer 2025
Villa Le Balze, Georgetown University, Florence, Italy, Summer 2024

EXPERIENCE

The Community Research Group

Washington, D.C.

Research Assistant

Dec 2024 - Present

- Examine Civil Protection Orders and court interactions to research survivor experiences with judicial system
- Perform qualitative coding of protection order petitions to analyze case characteristics and severity of violence

Decision Desk Headquarters

Washington, D.C.

State Manager

Nov 2025 - Present

- Manage team of ~20 reporters to ensure efficient and accurate data collection during primary and national elections
- Liaise with state election commissioners and build relationships with local and county government officials

Election Night Reporter

Jan 2024 - Nov 2025

- Lead 2024 Wisconsin Election Team in collection of live election data for delivery to national news outlets

Berkley Center for Religion, Peace, and World Affairs

Washington, D.C.

Graduate Fellow

Jan 2026 - Present

- Co-lead Doyle Dialogue Fellows program supporting and mentoring cohort of 15 undergraduate students
- Teach and model dialogue facilitation techniques to students leading structured conversations across differences

Doyle Dialogue Undergraduate Fellow

Dec 2024 - June 2025

- Completed training in dialogue principles, facilitation techniques, and conflict resolution

Professor Fathali Moghaddam, Georgetown University Department of Psychology

Washington, D.C.

Student Writing Assistant

Jan 2026 - Present

- Create original diagrams and provide feedback for manuscript of upcoming book, *Theories of Intergroup Relations*
- Write and edit chapter in *Palgrave Handbook of Creativity and Culture* (2nd ed., Springer Nature/MacMillan)

Office of Congressman Seth Moulton

Washington, D.C.

Legislative and Communications Intern

Fall 2025

- Responded to constituent inquiries
- Created newsletters, press releases, and digital media; managed press conferences

The Triumph Center

North Reading, M.A.

Undergraduate Trainee

Summer 2025

- Provided 250 supervised clinical hours of behavioral support to children with social and developmental challenges
- Maintained reports and contributed to clinical meetings to develop treatment goals

Death Penalty Information Center (DPIC)

Washington, D.C.

Research and Policy Intern

Spring 2024

- Researched death penalty cases and analyzed legal and ethical issues to support DPIC's advocacy efforts
- Researched, drafted, and edited policy briefs and advocacy report publications