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Education

Thomas Jefferson University, Center City Campus

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

- Master of Science in Physician Assistant Studies
- Cumulative GPA: 3.89
- Thomas Jefferson University Physician Assistant Student Society: Transition Officer
- Class Liaison: Pharmacology

June 2021 – Aug 2023

Bucknell University

Lewisburg, Pennsylvania

- Bachelor of Arts in Psychology
- Cumulative GPA: 3.88, *Magna Cum Laude*
- Alpha Lambda Delta National Honor Society

Aug 2015 – May 2019

Healthcare Experience

Thomas Jefferson University Clinical Rotations

Five weeks each; Sept 2022 – July 2023

Sites: Thomas Jefferson University Hospital, Jefferson Abington Hospital, Nemours/AI duPont Children's Hospital, Mt Airy Medical Associates, Eagleville Hospital

Rotations: Internal Medicine, Family Medicine, Emergency Medicine, General Surgery, Otolaryngology, Pediatrics, Obstetrics and Gynecology, Psychiatry

- Obtained patient vital signs, history and physical exams, ECGs, ABIs, and PFTs
- Formulated thorough differential diagnosis lists, diagnostic work ups, and treatment plans in inpatient and outpatient settings for patients of all ages
- Provided compassionate, equitable care to Philadelphia community members of diverse cultural and socioeconomic backgrounds
- Presented patients to preceptors and multidisciplinary teams in standardized “subjective, objective, assessment, and plan” format
- Cared for patients with a variety of emergent presentations in a fast-paced environment and trained in skills including local anesthesia administration, suturing and stapling as well as removals, incision and drainage, wound care, splinting, pelvic and rectal exams, and lab and imaging interpretation
- First and second assisted intra-operatively with suction, retraction, cautery, guiding laparoscopic instruments, obtaining and placing skin grafts; and independently closed abdominal and facial incisions
- Rounded on inpatient medical and surgical patients, carried out bedside physical exam, patient education, patient and family communication, wound care with debridement, creation of wound vacs, wound packing, and dressing changes

Health Mentors Program – Thomas Jefferson University

Philadelphia, PA

Physician Assistant Student

Sept 2021 – Dec 2022

- Collaborated with interdisciplinary team of medical, nursing, and occupational therapy students to advocate for a local patient with numerous medical comorbidities including recent CVA, recent hip replacement, chronic pain, scoliosis, and glaucoma
- Advocated for patient accessibility to public transportation, medication delivery services, and a senior housing assistance repair program; based on patient-specific preferences and needs

Team Simulation and Fearlessness Education – Thomas Jefferson University

Philadelphia, PA

Physician Assistant Student

Jan 2022

- Exercised TeamSTEPPS skills including leadership, team support, communication, and patient advocacy alongside a team of medical, physical therapy, nursing, pharmacy, and social work students in a high-fidelity, simulated medical scenario with the goal of avoiding adverse patient outcomes

Bloom Facial Plastic Surgery

Bryn Mawr, PA

Medical Assistant at Facial Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery Practice

Sept 2019 – May 2021

- Assisted in outpatient medical and surgical procedures including upper blepharoplasty, liposuction, radiofrequency procedures, revision rhinoplasty, face and neck lifts, and neuromodulator and dermal filler injections
- Prepared patients for outpatient procedures and obtained consents while outlining risks and benefits of procedures to patients
- Charted patient information, medical history, and visit summaries using Remedy electronic medical records system
- Handled and sterilized medical equipment and properly discarded of medical waste and sharps
- Oversaw strict safety precautions to prevent the spread of COVID-19
- Established and enforced office OSHA plan in collaboration with the office manager and practice owner

Research

Capstone project – Thomas Jefferson University

Philadelphia, PA

Physician Assistant Student

Jan 2023 – Aug 2023

- Researched and authored culminating project titled “Evaluation of Efficacy and Usability of Suction-Based Airway Clearance Devices Compared to Pediatric BLS Guidelines in the Setting of Pediatric Foreign Body Airway Obstructions”

Pediatric Behavioral Health Lab – Bucknell University

Lewisburg, PA

Undergraduate research assistant

Feb 2017 – Jan 2019

- Researched novel integrated health care approaches, chronic illness on college campuses, and gestational diabetes experiences
- Composed literature reviews and IRBs, created and conducted surveys and interview questions, worked with data analysis software to analyze results, drafted research papers to report studies and findings
- Co-authored a research poster titled “Transition Experiences of College Students with Chronic Illness”, accepted for presentation at the Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies 51st Annual Convention

Emerging Scholars in Psychology – Bucknell University

Lewisburg, PA

Research Scholar

Summer 2017

- Nominated for selective summer research program and awarded opportunities for one-on-one work with lead researchers in the Bucknell Psychology Department
- Worked independently for the Pediatric Behavioral Health Lab with the guidance of faculty mentors

Shadowing

2018 –2023

- Physician assistant shadowing (38 hours) – clinic, inpatient, and OR settings in adult and pediatric orthopedics, cosmetic and plastic surgery, pediatric cardiothoracic surgery, and transplant surgery
- MD shadowing (80 hours) – clinic, inpatient, and OR settings in orthopedics, cosmetic and plastic surgery, and transplant surgery

Additional Experience**Tripp Lake Camp**

Poland, ME

Overnight camp counselor

Summer 2016

- Age group leader for 40 12-year-old girls and lived with bunk of 7-year-old girls at eight-week long overnight camp

Headfirst Summer Camp

Brookline, MA

Day camp counselor

Summer 2015

- Led campers ages 4-16 in a variety of organized sports and activities and collaborated with interdisciplinary staff team

Volunteering and Leadership**Jewish Family and Children’s Services of Philadelphia**

Philadelphia, PA

Volunteer

Jan 2020 – May 2021

- Connected via telephone with isolated elderly community members and delivered groceries twice monthly to community members in need during the first year of the pandemic
- Co-led culinary classes and learning activities with adults living with disabilities

Head Start

Lewisburg, PA

Volunteer

Aug 2018 – May 2019

- Facilitated childhood education, playtime, and special activities at the local preschool with children from low-income families

Girls on the Run

Lewisburg, PA

Volunteer

Aug 2018 – May 2019

- Empowered fourth and fifth grade girls through personal and team building activities and training for a 5k

Chemistry Club – Bucknell University

Lewisburg, PA

Club member

Feb 2017 – May 2019

- Led and facilitated fun, educational chemistry activities in Lewisburg schools, encouraged interest in chemistry in young students

Delta Gamma Social Standards/Honor Board – Bucknell University

Lewisburg, PA

Social Standards Board member

Jan– Dec 2017

- Oversaw judicial cases and ensured the use of fair and correct processes to uphold the morals and values of Delta Gamma

Licenses/Certifications

Colorado Physician Assistant License, Colorado Department of Regulatory Agencies	Sept 2023
Physician Assistant-Certified, National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants	Sept 2023
Medication Assisted Treatment Waiver Training, American Academy of Addiction Psychiatry	Sept 2022
Basic Life Support (BLS) and Advanced Cardiovascular Life Support (ACLS), American Heart Association	Aug 2022 – Present
Blood Born Pathogen and HIPAA Certification, Thomas Jefferson University	Aug 2022 – Present
Certified Nursing Assistant training course with Red Cross	Aug 2018

Professional Memberships

American Academy of Physician Assistants	April 2020 – Present
Pennsylvania Society of Physician Assistants	April 2020 – Aug 2023

Skills

Basic proficiency in EPIC, Qanum Enterprise Content Solutions EMR, Remedly Electronic Medical Records System, SPSS Data Analysis Software, NVivo Data Analysis Software.