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Education

University of Illinois

Bachelor of Science in Agricultural Leadership, Education, and Communications
Minor in Animal Sciences

Urbana-Champaign, IL

May 2024

GPA: 3.70

Athens High School

High School Diploma
Graduated with Highest Honors

Urbana-Champaign, IL

June 2019

GPA: 3.96

Work Experience: Agriculture Education

Student Teaching Experience

Fairbury, IL

Prairie Central High School

Fall 2023-April 2024

- Instructed Agriculture 1, Agriculture 3, Welding, Horticulture, Construction, Small Engines, Conservation, and Agriculture Business
- Worked along side the teachers to build community connections, maintain relationships, and provide students with out of the classroom experiences
- Traveled with teachers and students to various FFA events while serving as an advisor and contest coach

University of Illinois Greenhand Conference

Champaign, IL

Coordinator

March 2022-September 2022

- Wrote curriculum for a ninety-minute workshop to teach over 600 freshmen high school students from sixty schools about personal growth, establishing core values, and becoming the best leader
- Trained fifty-five volunteers on the conference curriculum, student management, and task completion
- Communicated conference details and logistics to fifty-five educators and University Staff

Illinois Association FFA

Springfield, IL

State Reporter

June 2019-July 2020

- Represented over 20,000 FFA members and 34,000 agricultural education students on the state and national level
- Developed, facilitated, and presented workshops and speeches to students, parents, professionals, and legislators
- Lobbied in Washington D.C. for agricultural and youth issues
- Designed, produced, edited, and managed the social media accounts to promote Illinois FFA

Work Experience: Agriculture Industry

National Cattlemen's Beef Association/Public Lands Council

Washington, DC

Public Policy Intern

May 2023-August 2023

- Attended briefings and committee meetings to take detailed notes for the lobbying team and Congressional staff
- Composed a daily, weekly, and monthly newsletter for members to learn about new and updated policies
- Met with members of Congress and staff to discuss and advocate for agriculture issues that affect our members

Bayer Crop Sciences

Cedar Falls, IA

Crop Science Sales Intern

May 2022-August 2022

- Built, designed, and facilitated a training for over 58 growers, retailers, and customers to improve trait recognition, consumer engagement, and seller knowledge
- Met with growers and retailers from three counties to identify key challenges and product barriers
- Gained field experience by riding with Field Sales Representatives and Technical Agronomists

Illinois 4-H Foundation

Champaign, IL

Foundation Intern

April 2021-January 2022

- Planned and presented a virtual Hall of Fame Ceremony with seventy-four counties recognized, 250 family members involved, and reaching over 2,200 online viewers
- Organized and filed the weekly financial gift reports and worked hand in hand with twenty-seven Illinois 4-H County Extension Directors to send appreciation items to those Foundation donors
- Composed graphics and worked with the Illinois 4-H Marketing Committee to expand Illinois 4-H's media presence

Timber Ridge Farms*Production Assistant***Athens, IL***January 2014-Present*

- Prepare Angus cattle for sales and exhibition by washing, clipping, and working hair
- Assist with sorting, administering vaccinations, breeding, weaning, and feeding of a 100-cow calf herd

Horse Creek Land & Livestock*Owner/Operator***Athens, IL***June 2010-Present*

- Raise, breed, show, and sell Boer goats to build a successful herd
- Manage vaccinations and the feed program of forty high quality breeding and show animals

Leadership Experience

FarmHouse Fraternity*Vice President of Recruitment/Social Media Chair***Urbana, IL***August 2020-Present*

- Recruit students to join the Fraternity by making cold calls, giving tours, and conducting interviews
- Compose and schedule graphics for social media platforms to promote the organizations success and doings
- Schedule and host recruitment events for potential new members

University of Illinois Agriculture Education Club*President***Champaign, IL***January 2022-Present*

- Provide students with education focused professional development and community service opportunities
- Coordinate a statewide clothing fundraiser and raise money for membership dues and fees

University of Illinois Collegiate Farm Bureau*Treasurer***Champaign, IL***May 2021-Present*

- Oversee the financial accounts that manage the membership fees and club expenses
- Provide over 100 members with opportunities to learn about agriculture issues and personal and career success

University of Illinois Orange Krush Foundation*Krush Kaptain***Champaign, IL***October 2022-Present*

- Volunteer at events and fundraisers for Illini Pride student sections and the largest philanthropic student organization, the Orange Krush Foundation
- Arrive before all home games to organize materials for students, set up the lower seating section, and perform other duties as assigned

College of ACES Student Advancement Committee*Member Development and Recruitment Committee***Champaign, IL***May 2021-Present*

- Conduct tours and visits with potential new students to the University and share my Illinois story and passion
- Responsible for the brainstorming, planning, and implementation of two Professional Development Trips for SAC members

Relevant Coursework

University of Illinois**Champaign, IL**

- ACE 232- Farm Management
- AGB 201- Introduction to Agriculture Mechanics
- ANSC 100- Introduction to Animal Sciences
- ANSC 101- Contemporary Animal Issues
- ANSC 222- Animal Anatomy and Physiology
- ANSC 223- Animal Nutrition
- ANSC 301- Food Animal Production, Management, and Evaluation
- ANSC 401- Beef Production
- AGCM 220- Communicating Agriculture
- CPSC 112- Introduction to Crop Sciences
- ECON 102- Microeconomic Principles
- EPSY 201- Educational Psychology
- FSHN 101- The Science of Food and How it Relates to You
- HORT 100- Introduction to Horticulture
- LEAD 260- Foundations of Leadership
- LEAD 340- Leadership Ethics & Society: Addressing Contemporary Challenges
- PSYC 100- Introduction to Psychology