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EDUCATION

University of Texas, Austin

Philosophy, B.A. | 4.0 GPA | 173 LSAT

Austin, TX

Expected June 2029

L. C. Anderson HS

IB Certificate. 3.5 GPA, 1570 SAT.

Austin, TX

Aug. 2021 – June 2025

EXPERIENCE

Alpine Investors

BPO / Sourcing Intern

Hybrid (Contract)

Feb. 2026 – May 2026

- Conducted sourcing research across target industries and sub-sectors, identifying and profiling potential acquisition targets for the deal team's pipeline.
- Prepared company profiles, market maps, and preliminary screening materials to support BPO deal origination.

Alliance for American Leadership (A4AL)

Political Organizer

Hybrid (Contract)

Mar. 2026 – June 2026

- Organized bipartisan outreach campaigns to restore and defend U.S. foreign aid funding, coordinating messaging across congressional districts ahead of the 2026 midterms.
- Drafted policy briefs and voter engagement materials on foreign assistance, translating complex appropriations data into accessible advocacy content.

Vikki Goodwin for Lt. Governor – Democratic Party

Intern

Hybrid (Contract)

June 2025 – Oct. 2025

- Developed and executed comprehensive campaign strategies to increase voter engagement and awareness of key precincts in Austin and the greater Texas area.
- Directed digital and social media campaigns, including content creation, text scheduling, and analytics monitoring to optimize reach and audience engagement.
- Established and maintained relationships with local organizations, community leaders, and donors to maximize support and volunteer efforts.

Vanguard Debate

Debate Strategist

Hybrid (Contract)

Aug. 2025 – June 2026

- Coordinated research over a set of hypothetical resolutions, fostering comprehensive topic understanding and debate preparedness.
- Traveled nationally for competitions, leading argument refinement pre-tournament and on-site coaching.

PROJECTS

EDDS – Ethical Due Diligence Stack for VC & Labs

Philosophy, Startup

- Developing a productized ethics and risk evaluator for venture investors, bridging utilitarian frameworks, longtermism, and governance analysis into diligence workflows for frontier-tech funding decisions.
- Designing a wedge into VC due diligence (quantified externality scoring, risk-adjusted impact assessment, portfolio screening) as an alternative to performative ESG/CSR consulting.

Antiblackness, Psychoanalysis and Heideggerian Ethics

Philosophy, Research

- Researched intersections of Antiblackness Studies, Psychoanalysis, and Heideggerian Metaphysics, mentored under UC Santa Barbara's Dean of Ethics, Daina Ramey Berry.
- Curated and created essays exploring Black Existentialism, Black Nihilism, and systemic racial constructs.

PeptideLens – AI-Driven Peptide Intelligence Platform

FastAPI, Next.js, SQLAlchemy, Tailwind CSS

- Engineered a full-stack web app that aggregates peptide trend data from TikTok and synthesizes it with PubMed research to generate evidence-based “Pro/Con/Safety” reports.
- Built modular FastAPI micro-services with async I/O, SQLAlchemy data persistence, and a minimalist Next.js frontend leveraging TailwindCSS and GPT-5 for automated claim verification.

SKILLS, ACTIVITIES & INTERESTS

Activities: Effective Altruism Club, National Black Pre-Law Students Association, Black Business Students Association, Brazilian Jiu Jitsu Instructor/Competitor

Interests: Philosophy, Jiu-Jitsu, Foreign Policy, Finance, Anime

Skills: Public Speaking, Communication, Research, Python (Harvard CS50P, CS50X), Word