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EDUCATION

Master of Science in Urban Planning | Graduated May 2026

Columbia University, Graduate School of Architecture, Planning, and Preservation | New York, NY

Bachelor of Arts in Political Science | Graduated May 2023

University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences | Urbana, IL

EXPERIENCE

Graduate Research Assistant | September 2025 – August 2026

Columbia University, GSAPP | New York, NY

- Built and analyzed large geospatial datasets using ArcGIS Pro and Python to examine the relationships between affordable housing, short-term rentals, climate risk, and displacement in Cartagena, Colombia.
- Produced maps and data visualizations to communicate findings and support housing, climate resilience, and urban planning initiatives across multidisciplinary research teams.

Land Use & Planning Intern | September 2025 – December 2025

Manhattan Borough President's Office | New York, NY

- Evaluated land use applications, housing proposals, demographic trends, and community board testimony and decisions to support planning staff and land use review.
- Conducted research on housing, zoning, and neighborhood development issues to inform policy analysis and planning efforts across Manhattan.

GIS Intern | June 2025 – August 2025

NYC Department of Parks and Recreation | New York, NY

- Created, maintained, and quality-controlled GIS datasets representing playground assets and recreational facilities across more than 500 New York City Parks using ArcGIS Pro.
- Conducted field verification using ArcGIS Field Maps to validate asset locations and improve the accuracy of publicly available GIS data.

Team Member | January 2025 - May 2025

Miradas Desde Renca, Urban Planning Studio | New York, NY/Renca, Chile

- Co-designed and facilitated a bilingual (English/Spanish) community engagement process using participatory mapping, workshops, interviews, and neighborhood observation to identify neighborhood priorities.
- Synthesized community feedback into planning recommendations and an interactive web map to support municipal planning and decision-making.

AmeriCorps Member, College Success Coach | June 2025 – August 2025

College Bound STL | St. Louis, MO

- Provided individualized coaching and mentorship to a cohort of 30+ college students from underresourced St. Louis communities, supporting academic success and college persistence.
- Managed student records in Salesforce and analyzed program data to create reports and visualizations that informed stakeholders on participant outcomes and program performance.

President | September 2020 - May 2023

Alpha Phi Omega National Service Fraternity, Alpha Alpha Chapter | Urbana, IL

- Led a 250-member service organization and 501 (c) (3) organization, managing a 12-member executive board and overseeing operations, strategic planning, and member engagement.
- Built partnerships with community organizations and stakeholders to coordinate volunteer initiatives that generated more than 7,500 service hours in one semester.

SKILLS

Analytics & Visualization: ArcGIS Pro, QGIS, Python, SQL, R, Tableau, Microsoft Suite (Excel, Word, PowerPoint)

Planning & Design Tools: AutoCAD, SketchUp, Adobe Creative Suite (Photoshop, Illustrator, InDesign)