**Summary**

Passionate and detail-oriented biology student specializing in ecology, with a strong interest in ecosystem dynamics and conservation. Experienced in field research techniques and data analysis. Seeking an entry-level position in ecological research or conservation management to contribute to the preservation of natural environments.

**Education**

**Bachelor of Science in Biology, Ecology Specialization** | Expected May 2025

Governors State University | University Park, IL

**Relevant Coursework**

* Ecology
* Evolutionary Biology
* Conservation Biology
* Environmental Science
* Statistics
* GIS

**Experience**

**GSU Research Assistant Dr. Maria Rodriguez, Biology Department** | University Park, IL | November 2023 - Present

* Assist in a research project investigating the impact of invasive species on local wetland ecosystems.
* Conduct field surveys to assess plant and animal populations in the GSU Wetlands Preserve.
* Analyze ecological data using statistical software and GIS tools.

**Ecology Intern** | The Nature Conservancy | Chicago, IL | June 2023 - August 2023

* Assisted with habitat restoration projects in the Chicago region, including invasive species removal and native plant restoration.
* Conducted water quality monitoring and analyzed data to assess the health of aquatic ecosystems.
* Participated in community outreach events to educate the public about conservation issues.

**Skills**

* Ecological Field Research Techniques
* Plant and Animal Identification
* Data Analysis (R, SPSS)
* GIS (Geographic Information Systems)
* Environmental Sampling and Monitoring

**Volunteer Experience**

**Forest Preserve Volunteer** | Cook County Forest Preserve District | Chicago, IL | September 2022 - Present

* Participate in volunteer workdays focused on habitat restoration and trail maintenance in local forest preserves.
* Assist with tree planting, invasive species removal, and trail cleanup activities.

**Clubs**

GSU Environmental Action Club | University Park, IL | September 2021 - Present

* Participate in club meetings and activities focused on environmental advocacy and sustainability.
* Organize a campus-wide recycling campaign and a tree planting event.