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Objective:

To seek and secure a responsible career path that allows full utilization of my skills and training, while maintaining focus on customer satisfaction and experience. Most importantly, to grow within a culture that pushes toward unity, leadership, and progression.

Education:

- University of Florida, Gainesville, FL.
 - Bachelors Degree in Botany (Present)
- Hillsborough Community College, Tampa, FL.
 - Associates in Liberal Arts (December 2021)
- Tampa Bay Technical High School (2011-2015), Tampa, FL.

Languages: English and Spanish

Skills:

- Genomic sequencing (IBV)
- DNA/RNA extraction
- Systematics and taxonomy of plants and fungi
- Proficiency operating in R Studio
- Proficiency in operating Image J
- Microsoft Office (Word, PowerPoint, Excel)
- Certified Forklift Operator

Experience:

August 2024- Present

Fungarium Research Assistant | University of Florida | Gainesville, FL

- Responsibilities include archiving, classifying, and documenting fungi through the application of DNA barcoding, phylogeny, and systematics.
- Aiding in expanding the Fungarium's collection by foraging for a diversity of fungi and properly recording specimens.

April 2023- August 2024

Forklift Operator | H.T. Hackney | Tampa, FL

- Responsible for ensuring all merchandise is collected, packaged, and delivered through the operation via forklift.
- Managing logistics of products.

October 2022- February 2023

Valet Attendant | SP+ | Tampa, FL

- Aided and guided patients with disabilities into Moffitt Cancer Center to receive treatment.
- Responsible for valeting personal vehicles and assisting patients into their transportation.

October 2018 – August 2020

Customer Care Representative | Anthem/Simply Health Care | Tampa, FL

- Responsible for resolving customer's requests and needs in a professional and timely manner.
- Processed and resubmitted provider and member claims.
- Assisted in medication prior authorizations for members and resolved pharmacy issues/claims.
- Received awards for most customer surveys, resolving customer issues, and overall highest performing employee of the month.

July 2015 – March 2017 (Honorable Discharge)

United States Marine Corps | E-3/ LCPL/ 0351 Assaultman/Infantry | Camp Lejeune, NC.

- Responsible for striking targets with rockets, demolitions, and other breaching techniques.
- Leading and conducting: combat training and combat life-saving course.
- Guiding and leading junior marines in deployment of operations and everyday duties.