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EDUCATION

CORNELL UNIVERSITY, SC JOHNSON COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Ithaca, NY

THE CHARLES H. DYSON SCHOOL OF APPLIED ECONOMICS AND MANAGEMENT

Expected May 2029

Candidate for Bachelor of Science in Applied Economics and Management, Minor in AI

- Honors: Dyson Scholar (top 10% of class)
- Activities: Cornell Entrepreneurship Club (Failures Team), Digital Tech and Innovation Project Team

CHERRY CREEK HIGH SCHOOL

Greenwood Village, CO

GPA: 4.73/4.0 | ACT: 35

May 2025

- Honors: Academic All-American, Debate State Champion & ranked #1 statewide, FBLA International Finalist
- Activities: Speech and Debate (Team Captain, Varsity Competitor, Coach), Red Cross (Board Member), Future Business Leaders of America (International Finalist), Math Club (Board Member)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

NATIONAL SPEECH AND DEBATE ASSOCIATION

Greenwood Village, CO

Tournament Manager and Student Judge

September 2023 – Present

- Oversaw and worked at regional tournaments, organized for 900+ competitors and 30+ schools, set up fee collection
- Utilized Speechwire, Tabroom, and MS365 Suite to ensure smooth communication and tournament organization
- Judged 200+ rounds of debate, providing constructive feedback, and being elected to judge break and finals rounds

FUND THE FUTURE

Centennial, CO

Co-Founder and Co-President

April 2024 – Present

- Founded a state-recognized nonprofit, reducing financial barriers for high-school extracurriculars through fundraising
- Established chapters across the state, gathering 100+ volunteers, and created educational fundraising resources
- Obtained an EIN, pitched to businesses and school districts, securing support for schools statewide

LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

CORNELL DIGITAL TECH AND INNOVATION (DTI)

Ithaca, NY

Business Analyst

November 2025 - Present

- Developed content strategy and marketing materials for DTI's product initiatives and campus-wide technology programs
- Coordinated cross-functional innovation projects, managing stakeholder communications and project timelines
- Led product marketing efforts: competitive analysis, research, and market planning for student-facing tech solutions

CORNELL ENTREPRENEURSHIP CLUB

Ithaca, NY

Failures

September 2025 - Present

- Built high-risk experimental projects including web apps, physics engines, and 3D visualization models
- Organized weekly speaker events with YC founders, managing for 150+ attendees, generated 70k impressions + users
- Tech stack: JavaScript, React, Tailwind CSS, CLIMADA (climate risk modeling), Unity, Python ML libraries

CHERRY CREEK SPEECH AND DEBATE

Greenwood Village, CO

Team Captain

August 2024 – May 2025

- Led school team of 250+ members to being ranked top 15 nationwide and to a state championship in debate
- Taught public speaking and critical thinking to 40+ novices through research seminars and policy discussions
- Organized fundraising campaign for tournament costs and weekly social events to build a positive community

SKILLS & INTERESTS

Technical: Python, JavaScript/React/Next.js, Git, SQL, API Integration, Data Analysis, Machine Learning

Business: Product Management, Go-to-Market Strategy, Competitive Analysis, Fundraising, Public Speaking

Mathematics: Linear Algebra, Multivariable Calculus, Real Analysis, Stochastic Calculus, Financial Modeling

Languages: English (Native), Tamil (Fluent), Spanish (Conversational)

Interests: Hiking 14ers, Singing Indie and Indian Classical Music, Cooking, Cliff-Jumping