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Where are you from, and where did you complete your undergraduate studies?

I was born and raised in Miami, Florida. I completed my undergraduate degree at FIU in 2019.

Why did you choose FIU Master in Physician Assistant Studies (MPAS)?

FIU MPAS was the perfect fit to continue my career. Academically, I knew the FIU MPAS program would challenge and prepare me to be a competent PA. Geographically, it allowed me to limit a lengthy commute and to focus purely on my studies. It also had the bonus of honoring diversity and community, as evidenced in our participation with NeighborhoodHELP.

How would you describe FIU MPAS?

FIU MPAS is a diverse program that is continuously growing and graduating competent and compassionate PAs. The program fosters collaborative relationships and cultivates confident students. All the changes have added assets which have greatly facilitated our learning and future as PAs. The program prepares its students for a constantly changing profession.

What is your favorite part of FIU and/or the FIU MPAS program?

My favorite part of FIU MPAS is the people. While I am eternally grateful for the knowledge and skill set the program has provided, it's the students and faculty around me, with whom I've been able to grow and learn from, that has made my time here so special.

What are your other personal interests?

I love historical fiction novels and all things related to Dermatology. Spending time with my family and friends is what I enjoy the most.



What is your favorite quote, and what does it say about you?

"We think, mistakenly, that success is the result of the amount of time we put in at work, instead of the quality of time we put in." - Ariana Huffington. I love this quote because it reminds me that you really can do it all. There are more than enough hours in a day and, most definitely, enough hours in a week to accomplish everything on one's to-do list. This quote is a great reminder of how you can perform well in school, spend time with your family, and give time to yourself. It is about being efficient and purposeful in everything you do.

What advice would you give a prospective student?

I would tell every prospective student to give everything. Do your best, and your best doesn't always have to be perfect. PA school life is fleeting, so prioritizing it and disciplining yourself is well worth it. Everything regarding your PA career, whether it be the admission process, didactic period, or clinical experience, happens so quickly that you'll regret not giving it your all.

What is your greatest accomplishment thus far?

My greatest accomplishment thus far is getting into FIU MPAS and maintaining a 4.0 GPA throughout my entire didactic career. I am proud of what I have achieved so far and am looking forward to everything that is to come.

Where do you see yourself in the next five years?

In five years, I see myself working as a PA in Dermatology; however, I have discovered and enjoyed other areas in medicine after beginning my rotations. I definitely want to explore my options. Wherever I end up, I know I'm going to challenge myself, continue to learn, and love it!