#### Montana T. Morris

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#### Education

Palo Alto, CA **Stanford University** 

BA in English with an Emphasis in Philosophy

Class of 2016

- Completed pre-med track
- 3.85 GPA
- TA for EMT course
- MCAT: 522

Okinawa Institute of Science and Technology

Okinawa, JP

International Undergraduate Workshop: Decoding the Brain

Summer 2015

- Chosen for Interdisciplinary short course on cutting edge neuroscience
- Attended 2015 RIKEN Brain Science Institute Neuroscience Symposium

**NYU Langone Medical Center** 

New York, NY

Neurosurgical Shadowing (Dr. John Golfinos, M.D)

Summer 2014

**Ethical Culture Fieldston School** 

New York, NY

Class of 2012

- SAT:2280(2012)
- National Merit Scholar Finalist
- 2012 Academic All American in Lacrosse

## Work Experience

## University of California, San Francisco

San Francisco, CA

Staff Research Associate 2

October 2016-Present

Research focuses on investigating the underlying neuroscience of Autism and other psychiatric disorders

- focus on generating genetic discoveries and translating them into pathophysiological insights
- main project involves intensive molecular biology techniques, and iPSC culturing and differentiation

HealthTap Palo Alto, CA

Product Success Intern

January-May 2016

Cross-functional internship in multiple departments including business development, product design, quality assurance, and sales

- Worked with physicians one on one to optimize their virtual practices
- Designed and executed independent projects which contributed to sales and internal efficiency
- Made tangible contributions to product improvement

## **Stanford University Residential Education**

Palo Alto, CA

Salisbury Cove, ME

Resident Assistant

2015-2016

#### **Mount Desert Island Biological Laboratory**

Research Assistant

Summer 2010, 2011, 2012, 2015

Yale University funded grant to study the molecular biology of cystic fibrosis using dogfish sharks

- Carried out own experiments, including perfusions, primary cultures, mol. bio., confocal microscopy and organoids
- Taught experimental techniques
- Contributing author to published papers in peer reviewed publications, including American Journal of Physiology

Instructor: Renal Fellows Course Summer 2012-2016

Taught doctoral renal fellows experimental methodology and science of molecular biology research in the dogfish shark.

• Funded by NIH

## **Stanford Emergency Medical Services** *EMT-B*

2013-15

Palo Alto, CA

#### **Publications**

Co-author, "cGMP Inhibition of Type 3 Phosphodiesterase is the Major Mechanism by which C-type Natriuretic Peptide Activates CFTR in the Shark Rectal Gland." American Journal of Physiology: Cell Physiology: 306 no. 4, C343-C353. (C-00326-2013R1)

#### Other

## Family House Young Professionals Advisory Council

San Francisco, CA

Event Planning Co-chair, Member

2016-Present

- Council is a part of family house, a non-profit dedicated to providing free housing for distant families whose children are receiving long term treatment at UCSF
- Council participates in volunteer work, as well as fundraising efforts
- As co-chair, in charge of planning a large fundraising event

#### **United Students for Veterans Health**

Palo Alto, CA

Member

2014-2016

Volunteer service organization dedicated to improving the lives of residential veterans in Menlo Park VA

• Clinical experience

Director of Special Events, Board Member

2015-2016

- As a board member, oversaw the operations of the current organization and directed vision for the future
- As director of special events, organized special volunteering events and celebrations at VA

The JED Foundation New York, NY

Student Advisory Committee Member

Foundation dedicated to protect and promote mental health for young adults

2014-15

• Selected as west coast representative to advise the foundation on how to effectively promote mental health on campus

## **Stanford Men's Lacrosse Team**

Palo Alto, CA

Attackman

2013, 2015, 2016

MCLA Championship 2012 and 2015

#### Kappa Sigma Fraternity

Palo Alto, CA

Beta Zeta Chapter Member

2013-2016

- Rush Chair 2014; Social Chair 2016
- Outstanding Scholar Awardee

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