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EDUCATION

Northwestern Pritzker School of Law, Chicago, IL

Juris Doctor, Expected May 2028

- Student Organizations: ACLU 1L Rep, Latine Law Students Association 1L Rep, Outlaw 1L Rep

Brown University, Providence, RI

Honors Degree in Latin American & Caribbean Studies and Migration Studies, May 2025 | GPA: 3.95

- Awards and Fellowships: Latin American & Caribbean Studies Senior Thesis Award (2025), Alpha Chi Omega Estelle Leonard Outstanding Senior Award (2025), Hispanic Scholarship Fund Scholar (2021, 2023, 2024), Bonner Fellow (2021-2025), LINK Summer Internship Award (2024), Global Experiential Learning Grant (2023), Undergraduate Teaching and Research Award (2022)
- Thesis: *Migration Beyond Metrics: Challenging Human Capital Theory Through Memory and Return*
- Alpha Chi Omega Sorority, Zeta Theta Chapter President

EXPERIENCE

Rhode Island for Community and Justice, Providence, RI

Bonner Fellowship Juvenile Justice Intern, February 2022 – May 2025

- Researched restorative justice approaches to youth truancy.
- Analyzed multilingual families' access to the legal system, recommending policy reforms for translation and representation.

Juvenile Justice Advisory Committee, Providence, RI

Youth Committee Member, March 2023 – May 2025

- Advised state officials on policy proposals to reduce racial disparities in juvenile detention and expand access to diversion programs.
- Conducted research and presented recommendations on community-based alternatives to incarceration and mental health interventions for youth.

Brown University Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies, Providence, RI

Lead Student Assistant, September 2023 – May 2025

- Coordinated cultural programming and academic speaker events to enhance student engagement with Latin American scholarship.
- Managed program communications and supervised student assistants, ensuring efficient outreach and event logistics across campus partners.

Children's Rights, New York City, NY

Summer Paralegal Intern, May 2024 – August 2024

- Conducted legal and legislative research to support litigation strategies protecting foster, migrant, and disabled youth in federal court cases.
- Drafted memoranda, compiled media reports, and assisted attorneys in preparing advocacy materials for ongoing reform campaigns.

Valdez & Vilim LLP, Chicago, IL

Summer Research Intern, June 2022 – August 2022, June 2023 – August 2023

- Researched country conditions for asylum cases and prepared supporting documentation.
- Drafted pardon letters, assembled case indexes, and translated Spanish–English documents.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Language Skills: Spanish (native proficiency), Portuguese (basic proficiency), Latin (basic proficiency).

Interests: Tarot reading & astrology; reading short stories; bargain hunting; language learning.