

FALL 2020 INTERNS



THE FLORIDA HOUSING
COALITION





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Master of Science: Urban and Regional Planning (May 2021)

Tell Us About Yourself:

Joshua, a native of Philadelphia and Urban Planning graduate student at Florida State University, currently resides in Tallahassee with his wife and family pets – a chihuahua mix and the “boss” – an orange and white cat.

Prior to coming to Tallahassee, Joshua spent two years in Seattle with his wife, a talented musician, as she pursued a master's degree in Music Performance on French horn.

Goals and Future Plans?

After receiving his Master's in Urban and Regional Planning, Joshua would like to work a few years the field of transportation planning before returning to his education to pursue a PhD. Long-term goals include teaching and research.

Strengths and Interests?

Joshua describes himself as self-motivated, organized, and a problem-solver. He likes to work on a variety of projects simultaneously. In his spare time, Joshua enjoys music (country and classical), hockey, college football, and Italian soccer. Josh's skillset includes quantitative research, graphic design, statistical analysis, professional writing, and GIS. His software skills include: ADOBE(PHOTOSHOP, ILLUSTRATOR, INDESIGN), MICROSOFT OFFICE SUITE, SPSS, SAS ARCGIS, SKETCHUP, and CUBE VOYAGER.

What Made You Choose the Florida Housing Coalition?

Joshua's considerable skillset fit well with a current Coalition project involving the abstracting and tracking of key information on Florida Housing Finance Corporation's (FHFC) Requests for Applications (RFA). Joshua's work will be used to understand funding trends, how funding influences policy and how to best advise nonprofits and local governments on how to be successful in FHFC's RFA process.

EDUCATION:

Florida State University - 2019–Present, Tallahassee, FL

- Master of Science in Urban Planning (Expected May 2021)
- Coursework: Neighborhood Planning, Transportation Planning, Planning Statistics, Growth and Development of Cities Transportation and Land Use, Urban and Regional Information Systems, Methods of Transportation Planning, Graphic Communications for Planning

Belmont University - 2013–2017, Nashville, TN

- Bachelor of Arts in Social Entrepreneurship
- Major Coursework: Social Entrepreneurship I, II & III, Accounting I & II, Macroeconomics, Microeconomics, Venture Planning, Financial Management, Comparative Economic Systems, International Economics, Econometrics

HONORS AND AWARDS:

Omicron Delta Kappa: Leadership Honors Society - 2017, Nashville, TN

Belmont University: Dean's List - Fall 2013, Spring 2016, Nashville, TN

Outstanding Service to the State of Tennessee Award - 2015, Nashville, TN

WORK EXPERIENCE:

Envision Credit Union, Community Development Assistant - May 2019 – Present, Tallahassee, FL

- Schedule and assist in the facilitation of financial education workshops
- Process community donation and sponsorship requests
- Promote department events to members and on social media
- Maintain the department's annual budget.
- Compile departmental bi-monthly reports for executive team and monthly reports for board of directors

The Art of Shaving, Sales Associate - Oct. 2016–April 2019, Nashville/Seattle WA

- Provide exceptional customer service, responding to needs, soliciting feedback to improve service, and offers customized recommendations to accommodate customer needs
- Accurately and efficiently run POS purchases; assist with store operations including opening/closing
- Acted as Store Manager when store was without a manager

Poverty and the Arts, Development Intern - Jan–May 2016, Nashville, TN

- Created an inventory database
- Digitally recorded all financial documents over two-year span
- Reworked online store
- Oversaw studio hours for artists

Phi Kappa Tau, Nashville, TN 2013 - 2017

- Vice President - 2016
- Membership Orientation Officer - 2016
- Community Service Chairman – 2014, 2015



Sarah Seidel

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Undergraduate Majors: Spanish and Economics

GPA 3.97

International Business track post-grad (May 2021)

Tell us about yourself:

Sarah grew up in Dunwoody Georgia – a northern suburb of Atlanta. While her parents, and the family's golden retriever, Max, remain in Dunwoody Georgia;

Sarah's older sister has lived in Israel for the past five years. The Seidels have always placed great value on experiencing new cultures and travel. Sarah is particularly proud of her travel experience during the 2018 Winter Break. Sarah left Valencia Spain and travelled to Israel to visit her sister, then to Atlanta to see her parents, and then back to Valencia. Stressful yet rewarding!

Goals and future plans?

Sarah is on course for an early graduation in the Spring of 2021. Upon graduation, Sarah intends to enroll at the London School of Economics to pursue a one-year accelerated graduate degree in *International Economics and International Business with a focus in Language*.

Strengths and Interests?

Sarah describes herself as independent, organized, and hard-working. She enjoys travelling abroad, new experiences, soccer and spending time with family and friends. Her skillset includes fluency in Spanish as well as *Microsoft Office Suite - Word, Excel, and PowerPoint*.

What made you choose the Florida Housing Coalition?

Sarah would like to broaden her knowledge of affordable housing and contribute her efforts toward the Coalition's mission to bring quality affordable housing to all Floridians.

HONORS AND AWARDS:

Florida State University: Dean's List - 2019

Dunwoody High School - 2015–2018, Dunwoody, GA

- Top Ten Percent, GPA 4.206 - 2018
- Outstanding Student in World Language - 2018
- Seal of Biliteracy - 2018

ORGANIZATIONS AND ACTIVITIES:

FSU Chapter Alpha Chi Omega, Member - 2019–Present, Tallahassee, FL

- Cultural Chair under the VP of Intellectual Development - 2019–Present
- Intramural Soccer Team - 2019–Present

FSU Chapter Sigma Delta Pi, Spanish Honors Society, Member - 2018–Present, Tallahassee, FL

FSU First Year Abroad Program - August 2018–August 2019, Valencia, Spain

Dunwoody High School - 2015–2018, Dunwoody, GA

- **Soccer Team**, Varsity Captain - 2017–2018
- **Finance Academy** - 2017–2018

A two-year program of complete immersive Marketing, Economics, and Personal finance education courses. Included high stakes projects, such as "Brand Extension" and "90 second elevator pitch." Travel to New York City and Disneyworld for leadership training and visiting various job sites.

WORK EXPERIENCE:

Florida State University, FYA Ambassador - 2019–Present, Tallahassee, FL

- Publicize and provide presentations about the FYA program and benefits to area high school guidance counselors, teachers, and students on behalf of the International Programs Office at Florida State University.

Florida State University, Spanish Tutor - 2019–Present, Tallahassee, FL

Behavioral Institute of Atlanta, Clerk – 2016–Present, Atlanta, GA

Centers for Disease Control, Internship – 2016–2017, Atlanta, GA

- Transferred paper documents to virtual documents, performed clerical tasks

VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES:

Relay for Life – 2019, Tallahassee, FL

Tallahassee Refuge House – 2019, Tallahassee, FL

Second Helpings Atlanta – 2018, Atlanta, GA

Friends of the Dunwoody Library Charity - 2018, Dunwoody, GA



Patrick Cox

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Master's in International Affairs (May 2021)

Bachelor of Science: Economics (May 2017)

Bachelor of Arts: History (May 2017)

Tell us about yourself:

Patrick, a native of Tallahassee, appreciates the outdoor activities that North Florida offers. As a student at Florida State University, Patrick has the added benefit of being close to his parents and family pets, Jasper, an 85lb. flat-coated retriever mix, and Lilly, a former bomb-sniffing dog. According to Patrick, Lilly is a bit "needy." Patrick's parents are biologists, so his Dad redirected Lilly's intensity and keen nose by training her to sniff out rare bird nests – a great idea!

Goals and future plans?

Patrick intends to pursue a graduate degree in International Affairs and then move on to Law School. His long-term goal is to work as a judicial lobbyist and bring cases to higher courts to modify laws and affect change.

Strengths and Interests?

Patrick describes his strengths as being concise in his writing, with excellent analytical, research and critical thinking skills. Due to his diverse and extensive work experience he has developed an ability to search for and recognize credible, quality sources of information when conducting research. Patrick enjoys history (particularly the Civil War years), current events, and politics. Outdoor activities include boating, canoeing, running, frisbee, and soccer. Patrick is a former member of the FSU men's frisbee team – his girlfriend, a professional frisbee player, keeps those frisbee skills sharp! Patrick has also put his mechanical skills to work by building his own solar powered jeep - with a fridge - as well as his own race car. His skillset includes: Microsoft Office including Advanced Excel (Programming, Analysis), Outlook (mass e-mails campaigns), Adobe, Systat, Visual Basic, and Economic Analysis Programs. He is currently enrolled in Machine Learning Courses in "R." Additional skills include: Regression analysis, Raw data analysis, WEMT Certification, and conversational Spanish.

LEADERSHIP AND PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

Run For Something, Intern for Candidate Research - August 2019–January 2020

- Conducted research on potential candidates for *Run For Something* to finance and endorse. This included in depth investigations into candidate's historical political platforms, activism, and votes.

Richard Garzola for City Commissioner, Analyst and Economic Advisor - June 2018– November 2018, Tallahassee, FL

- Analyst and Economic Advisor
- Analyzed voter data, constructed algorithms to efficiently target campaign efforts and canvassing. Utilized the outputs to organize interns and mass outreach efforts.
- Used statistical models to recommend budget allocations and constructed advertisements on Facebook and Google to effectively target voters.
- Using machine learning I developed voter registration maps to guide campaigning efforts that were compatible with Google Maps on volunteer phones. This expedited canvassing efforts.

House of Representatives, Intern to Representative Evan Jenne - January 2015–June 2015, January 2016–August 2017*, Tallahassee, FL

- Drafted legislation including tributes and personal bills, edited public bills and official correspondence. Researched a variety of legal topics including anti-fracking legislation and agricultural subsidies.
- Wrote constituents, news agencies, and government bodies summarizing research and requesting information.
- When re-hired, began more pertinent interactions with lobbyists, senators, and representatives. Additionally, I offered ideas on personal policy changes to overcome obstacles to legislation.

Parliament of the United Kingdom, Aide to Tulip Siddiq, MP - May 2016–August 2016, London, England

- Wrote and edited articles and legal documents. Drafted letters to constituents and Media organizations. Interpreted and edited bills and legislation.
- Conducted data analysis on polling and constituent data. This included but was not limited to performing advanced multivariate regressions and visualizations.
- Extensively researched a variety of topics to better inform my MP's speeches and policy. Topics included foreign investment, National Health Service, and Internet Data Disclosure. Most topics involved summarizing complex legal documents for press and campaign usage.

Additional Experience: **Tall Timbers Research Station**, Intern - 2010–2011

Self-Employed Mechanic - 2014–2018



Paige DeBold

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Undergraduate Majors: Political Science and Geography (May 2020)

Tell us about yourself:

A native of Jacksonville Florida, Paige, her elder sister, and parents are a close-knit unit. Throughout the early months of the pandemic, Paige and family made it a point to video chat regularly. Paige says that it has been “so much more personable” to see each other’s faces! The DeBolds also count as family one dog and three cats. One of the cats, Rory, lives with Paige as she completes her undergraduate course work at Florida State University.

Goals and future plans?

Paige has been accepted into the Urban and Regional Planning Master’s Program at FSU and is looking forward to beginning classes next Fall. Paige also intends to become certified in Florida State University’s excellent Emergency Management Program. Long-term goals include a professional career in either local, state, or Federal government.

Strengths and Interests?

Paige describes herself as being an excellent writer and note-taker, a leader who knows when to listen and when to lead, and a curious person that enjoys gaining knowledge and new experiences. Paige’s hobbies and pleasures include attending FSU theatre performances, reading, and crafting clay jewelry. Her skillset includes ArcGIS and Microsoft Office Suite - Word, Excel, and PowerPoint.

What made you choose the Florida Housing Coalition?

Paige’s intention to pursue a career in Urban and Regional Planning and Emergency Management prompted her to seek a Disaster Management Internship with the Coalition – a well-planned beginning to her long and successful career!

HONORS AND AWARDS:

Phi Sigma Pi National Honor Fraternity - Feb. 2019 – Present , Tallahassee, FL

Florida State University: Dean’s List - Spring 2018–Fall 2019

Florida State University: President’s List - Summer 2018

St. Johns River State College Rotaract’s Secretary Award - May 2017

VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES:

Phi Sigma Pi National Honor Fraternity - February 2019 – Present , Tallahassee, FL

Judicial Board - August 2019–Present

- Resolve conflicts and communicate infractions committed.

Fundraising Chair - August 2019–Present

- Raise money for the chapter through events and the sales of shirts and food. Come up with and plan events.

Global Health Project - September 2018–December 2019, Tallahassee, FL

Public Relations Coordinator - September 2018–December 2019

- Responsible for communicating with club members and the public.
- Created posters advertising events and used social media to draw attention to the club and any events going on.

St. Johns River State College Rotaract - January 2016–May 2017, St. Johns, FL

Secretary - November 2016– May 2017

- Performed volunteer work from a wide range of varieties, including spending time with elderly veterans, helping with organization at a food packaging drive, interacting with at-risk youth, and feeding homeless families.
- As secretary, took extensive notes during meetings, sent out emails, and served as communicator from one person to another.

St. Johns County Library - January 2015–May 2017, St. Johns, FL

- Retrieved books for patrons; shelved and organized books, movies, and CDs; and shredded documents

Club Scientific Kids’ Camp - June 2016–August 2016, Jacksonville, FL

- Helped club counselors with whatever they needed, such as organizing materials, supervising kids, working as part of an assembly line, or communicating with parents