Anika Valluri

Driven student passionate about pursuing medicine and research. Works hard to achieve goals and aims to help the community using acquired knowledge and skills.

EDUCATION

Canton High School, Canton, MA (GPA: 4.7)

August 2020 - Present

College Courses at Massasoit Community College (GPA: 4.0)

- Interpersonal Skills 101
- General Psychology 101

WORK EXPERIENCE

Excel Martial Arts, Canton, MA — Instructor

September 2020 - Present

- First Degree Black Belt training towards my Second Degree Black Belt
- Teacher of Mixed Martial Arts and Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu to students with disabilities
- Lead classes responsibly and communicate with students and adults

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

Tufts Medical Center, Boston, MA — *Volunteer (200+ Hours)*

June 2023 - Present

- Help patients and visitors navigate the hospital
- Sign-in visitors and serve as a friendly face for those visiting the hospital

Project HEALTH — Community Problem Solving Project (CmPS) (100+ hours)

December 2022 - Present

- Project HEALTH (Healthcare Education And Learning Through High School)
- Help introduce high schoolers to the multitude of healthcare career opportunities.

Project REMOTE — Community Problem Solving Project (CmPS) (200+ hours)

December 2019 - June 2020 (1st Place Internationally)

- Project REMOTE (Re-imagining Educational and Meaningful Opportunities to Engage)
- Through the involvement of young members in our community, we helped increase interest in STEAM.

Mass General Brigham Newton-Wellesley Hospital, Newton, MA — Volunteer (150+ Hours)

June 2021 - Present

- Volunteered in Day Surgery, Orthopedic, Nutrition, PACU, and Sterilization Unit
- Demonstrated compassion, efficiency, accuracy, and active listening
- Assembled COVID-19 information packets (April August 2021)

SHADOWING

Tufts Medical Center — Orthopedic Surgeon *Dr. Gordon (40+ Hours)*

June 2021 - August 2023

- Shadowed Dr. Gordon, one of the lead orthopedic surgeons at Tufts Medical Center
- Shadowed multiple knee and hip replacements in the OR and attended patient clinics.
- I was also able to shadow his PA as well as residents and medical students.

Tufts Medical Center — Emergency Trauma Surgeon *Dr. Bawazeer (5+ Hours)*

October 2023 - Present

- Shadowed Dr. Bawazeer, a leading trauma surgeon at Tufts Medical Center
- I had the opportunity to view multiple Laparoscopic Appendectomies
- Learned about innovations in surgeries, such as the da Vinci Robotic Surgical System
- Learned firsthand how to quickly and efficiently treat emergency cases

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LEADERSHIP

Varsity Wrestling

Captain (2021-Present)

Science Team Captain

(2022-Present)

HOSA Founder &

President

(2022-Present)

UNICEF Club President

(2021-Present)

Student Council Class

Vice President

(2021-Present)

National Charity League

Cultural & Social Chair

(2019-Present)

Robotics Team Captain

(2021-2022)

Lead SchoolHouse/

Khan Academy SAT

Tutor- (2023)

ACHIEVEMENTS & AWARDS

University of Rochester

Xerox Award for

Innovation and

Technology: (2023)

National Merit

Scholarship

Commended Award:

(2023)

1st Place Internationally

in Global Issues

Problem Solving (CmPS)

- Project REMOTE:

(2020-21)

1st Place Massachusetts Future Problem Solving

Tufts Medical Center — Orthopedic Trauma Chief *Dr. Ryan*

June - August 2022

- Shadowed Dr. Ryan, the chief orthopedic trauma surgeon at Tufts Medical Center
- Attended patient clinics and learned from Dr. Ryan's and medical students' patient interactions

EXTRACURRICULARS

- Science Team (2020-Present) Captain (2021-Present)
- Varsity Wrestling (2021-Present) Captain (2022-Present)
- Varsity Track & Field (2022-Present)
- Math Team (2021- Present)
- HOSA Founder (2022- Present)
- UNICEF club Co-President (2021 Present)
- Robotic Team Captain (2021 2022)
- National Charity League Cultural Chair (2019 Present)
- GIPS, CmPS, & FPS (Future Problem Solving) (2014-Present)
- Spectrum School Newspaper Columnist, Article & Layout Editor (2021-Present)
- Pops Orchestra (2021)

PROGRAMS

Horizon Academic Research - July 2023-Present

- Writing a research review paper on Sensorineural Hearing Loss
- Working with a University of Cambridge mentor who is in the process of making leading discoveries to treat SNHL
- Working to get it published in research journals and present it at conferences

Harvard MEDscience Program - June 2021

- T.E blood certified
- Participated in daily team patient simulations. I could diagnose patients based on symptoms, history, lab work/tests, and information presented by the patient.
- Learned how to put in an IV, pipette, identify blood types, separate DNA, identify genes, do gel-electrophoresis, listen to heart and lung sounds, communicate with patients, and do surgical sutures.

Tufts TAHSS Internship - June 2021

- Took Anatomy and Physical Diagnosis courses taught by medical students. Gained exposure to graduate-level laboratory-based science.
- Mentored by Tufts Dental Program Students.
- Filled cavities on prosthetic teeth, created molds, practiced Orthodontic wire twisting, and sutured.
- Independent research project on *Dental Diseases in Developing Countries* and presented to healthcare professionals and peers.

Biogen-MIT: Biotech in Action Program - June 2021

- Virtual interactive lab projects
- Met and interacted with scientists and other biotech professionals and got an inside view of a biotech company.
- Learned about the drug development process and laboratory techniques
- Presented research on *Lewy Body Dementia* to program members.

ADDITIONAL PROGRAMS

- The Perry Initiative: Women Orthopedics and Biomechanics (2020)
- BRAINterns Webinar Series hosted by Lenox Hill Hospital (2020)
- Pre-Med Task Force Boston Leadership Institute (2020)
- Harvard Academy Coding 1 Program (2021)
- Harvard Academy Pre-Med 1 and 2 Program (2021)
- BU CodeBreakers (2021) and BU Artemis (2020)

State Bowl: (2021-22)

2nd Place in Massachusetts Global Issues Problem Solving

(FPS): (2020-21 &

2022-23)

Attended International Global Issues Problem Solving (GIPS):

(2017-Present) - USA Flag Bearer: (2023)

6th at D2C Mixed -Gender Wrestling Sectionals: (2024)

Member of Math National Honor Society: (2021-Present)

Member of Science National Honor Society: (2022-Present)

Member of National Honor Society: (2022-Present)

Member of French National Honor Society: (2022-Present)

Wrestling - Team
Commitment &
Sportsmanship Awards:
(2022) - Coach Cafelle
Award: (2023)

4th Place at Kevin Curtis Wrestling Tournament: (2023)

Track and Field - Most Improved: (2023)

Competed in FPS
Program International
Virtual Conference:
(2020-2022)

Freshman of The Year Band CHS: (2020)

Design Award: FIRST Robotics: (2020)