

Catherine Marie Bales

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EDUCATION

University of Florida, College of Liberal Arts and Science
Bachelor of Arts in Political Science
Health Disparities in Society Undergraduate Minor
Leadership Minor

- GPA: 3.52 | Spring 2025 Dean's List Recipient | Bright Futures Florida Medallion Scholars Recipient

June 2022 – May 2026
Gainesville, FL

WORK EXPERIENCE

Cole, Scott & Kissane, P.A.

Legal Intern

- Responsible for assisting the legal team with various tasks, including sitting in on depositions, reading through medical records, and learning the ins and outs of personal injury law

Miami Dade County Public Schools

Substitute Teacher

- Adapted lesson plans to incorporate culturally relevant health perspectives or implementing strategies to address health-related challenges prevalent in underserved communities

Riviera Day School

Senior Counselor

- Supervised and engaged a group of 15–20 kindergarten-aged children in daily activities, ensuring a safe, inclusive, and enriching environment

Xtraordinary JOY

Research Intern

- Research intern at Xtraordinary JOY, a nonprofit focused on chromosome disorder research, Xq27Xq28 deletion, through the Academic Learning Experience at the University of Florida

Blossoming Butterfly, Inc.

Research Intern

- Research intern at Blossoming Butterfly, a nonprofit committed to empowering women through education and support while raising awareness for breast, ovarian, and uterine cancer

David and Mary Alper Jewish Community Center (JCC)

Senior Counselor

- Taught middle school aged children how to socialize with others

LEADERSHIP & INVOLVEMENT

Phi Mu

External Philanthropy Director

- Leads fundraising events to support the sorority's philanthropy and builds partnerships with sponsors and charitable organizations

Philanthropy Director Assistant

- Assisted a team of sisters for Phi Mu Fraternity to organize an annual fundraising event, resulting in an increase in donations compared to the previous year

Student Government

Assistant Director of Registration for FBK Speech and Debate

- Managed the registration process for participants, including students, coaches, and judges, utilizing online registration platforms and databases

Director of Information for Student Government Institute

- Provide training and support to student government members on the use of technology tools for communication and information management, empowering them to effectively fulfill their roles and responsibilities

Homecoming and Gator Growl Director of Show

- Oversaw the planning, coordination, and execution of the largest student-run pep rally in the nation

Student Government Political Party Ambassador

- Acted as the face at various events, promotional activities, and effectively communicating key messages to target audiences

Homecoming and Gator Growl Assistant Director of Show

- Oversaw onsite logistics, troubleshooting issues promptly to ensure a seamless show experience for clients and attendees

RESEARCH

University of Florida College of Liberal Arts and Science (CLAS) Scholars Recipient

- Recipient of the University of Florida CLAS Scholars Program, a competitive research initiative supporting independent, faculty-mentored academic projects

Cambridge University Scholarship Recipient

- Conducted research on DNA structures using advanced technology with Cambridge University, gaining hands-on experience in molecular analysis and structural development

December 2023 – Present
Miami, FL

March 2024 – Present
Miami, FL

June 2025 – Present
Miami, FL

January 2025 – May 2025
Gainesville, FL

January 2025 – May 2025
Gainesville, FL

June 2023 – June 2024
Miami, FL

October 2024 – Present
Gainesville, FL

October 2023 – October 2024
Gainesville, FL

March 2024 – Present
Gainesville, FL

February 2024 – Present

March 2024 – Present
Gainesville, FL

March 2022 – March 2024
Gainesville, FL

March 2023 – October 2023
Gainesville, FL

March 2025 – Present
Gainesville, FL

May 2021 – August 2021
Cambridge, United Kingdom