# **Connor Richards**

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#### **EDUCATION**

Illinois State University – Normal IL

Bachelor of Science in Risk Management/Insurance and Finance

Expected Graduation: May 2022 GPA: 3.83/4.0

#### WORK EXPERIENCE

#### Worldwide Facilities/AmWINS - Los Angeles, CA

July 2021 – August 2021

Brokerage Intern

- Listened to and shadowed brokers during the negotiation process with retailers and carriers in the E&S market
- Learned and applied useful broker skills needed to successfully market accounts and create relationships
- Helped a property broker's team collect information and communicate with retailers to ensure the business can be placed in the marketplace

#### Nautilus Insurance Group – Scottsdale, AZ

June 2021 – July 2021

Underwriting Intern

- Developed and used underwriting skills essential to the underwriting process in the E&S market
- Shadowed underwriters to understand their role and learned how and why underwriting decisions are made
- Worked on underwriting and auditing projects with assistant underwriter trainees to gain a better understanding of acceptable risks

## The Cincinnati Insurance Companies - Cincinnati, OH

June 2020 - July 2020

FIPI Intern

- Experienced business operations through one to one virtual shadowing, one to one travel and virtual meetings
- Discussed and reviewed basic underwriting coverage's and techniques that help mitigate risk for commercial and personal insurance exposures
- Identified underwriting tools and resources that assist in underwriting processes to accept, reduce or eliminate risk

# State Farm Zach Betley Agency - Chicago, IL

May 2019 - August 2019

Prospector

- Made over 10,000 calls, including cold calls to search for new opportunities for the agency
- Assisted in the sale to numerous people that I'd switched over
- Grew communication and work skills to a professional level

## Prestwick Country Club - Frankfort, IL

Caddie

May 2015 - Present

- Assisted the members of Prestwick in a professional manner with the game of golf
- Developed and created strong relationships with the members in a professional and courteous manner
- Analyzed and helped the members' golfing to help better their experience while playing

### Which Wich Sandwich Shops - Mokena, IL

August 2017 – August 2019

Customer Service Representative

- Performed in a high paced environment with many challenges
- Interacted with customers to insure they are satisfied with our products and the services we provide as a business to them
- Directed and taught 5 new employees vital skills needed to perform every day tasks

## ORGANIZATIONS AND ACTIVITIES

### Gamma Iota Sigma Insurance Fraternity - Normal, IL

Spring 2019 - Present

Treasurer

- Oversaw the financial planning, procurement, and investment of funds for Gamma Iota Sigma
- Prepared an annual budget to expect what expenses will be compared to the funding
- Expanded communication and interpersonal skills through Gamma events and conferences

# Illinois State University ACHA D1 Hockey - Normal, IL

August 2018 - Present

- Hockey Player
- Competed in a rigorous setting against other competitors
- Improved work ethic through practicing and executing challenges
- Established traits of working as a team by communicating and creating chemistry between the teammates

# Chicago Fury AAA Hockey - Orland Park, IL

August 2015 - March 2018

Captain / Hockey Player

- Led the team of 20 teammates to a winning record
- Researched every teams' strategies and reorganized our team to overcome those strategies to win games against those teams
- Accountable for the actions, work ethic, and attitude of the 19 other players to build teamwork with each other

# COMMUNITY SERVICE

# Home Sweet Home Ministries - Bloomington, IL

Spring 2019 – Present

Kitchen Volunteer

Restored lives of the homeless and hungry and helped build the community together

# Chicago Fury AAA Hockey - Orland Park, IL

Summer 2016 - Fall 2017

Coach / Mentor

- Trained 75 youth hockey players to guide them to becoming better players and people on and off the ice
- Controlled and organized equipment and apparel distributions for the organization
- Coached practices of 2 teams to help them work together effectively

#### ACADEMIC HONORS AND AWARDS

Security Traders Association of Chicago, Guzy Scholarship

Summer 2020 Fall 2018 – Spring 2022

Illinois State University Dean's List

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Illinois State Honors Program

Redbird Scholar

Summer 2019 - Present

# COMPUTER SKILLS

• Proficient in Microsoft Excel, Power Point, and Word