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SUMMARY

Ambitious young professional with experience in community engagement, policy analysis, sustainable energy initiatives, and event organizing. Proven ability to build relationships, mobilize supporters, design humancentered solutions, and communicate effectively to advance clean energy goals.

EXPERIENCE

Energy Alabama — Huntsville, Alabama
Policy Research Intern — 8/2024 - 12/2024

- Researched and analyzed policies related to clean energy, energy efficiency, and virtual power plants (VPPs).
- Assisted in drafting policy recommendations and reports to support Energy Alabama's mission.
- Collaborated with the policy team to monitor legislative developments and track policy progress.
- Provided information and data about emerging policies and bills to the policy team.

Futuro Azul — San Salvador, El Salvador
International Development Intern — 6/2025 - 12/2025 & 7/2026

- Worked alongside CEO to learn about solar panel systems, international business and global development.
- Analyzed and researched the development and construction of a solar asset portfolio of $45,000,000.
- Went to El Salvador to receive hands-on education about solar panel system development and entrepreneurialism.

WiGO — San Salvador, El Salvador
Business Development Intern — 6/2025 - 7/2026

- Assisted in development of business models, finance models, acquisition of goods, materials, and services.
- Assisted in stakeholder engagement and logistics for electric mobility initiatives, including supply chain coordination with international partners.
- Led the team to a finalist position in the biggest startup competition in the world.

EDUCATION

Auburn University — Auburn, Alabama
8/2021 - 12/2025 & 1/2026 - 12/2026

- Master of Developmental Practice (December 2026)
- Bachelor of Science in Global Studies
  - Sustainability Studies Minor, Summa Cum Laude

Universidad Nebrija — Madrid, Spain
Study Abroad — 06/2024

- Took courses covering Spanish language, culture, and society.

KEY ACHIEVEMENTS

Clean Energy Intern Handbook

During my time as an intern for Energy Alabama, I developed a “Quick-Start Guide” to help more efficiently teach new hires and interns about the company and informs them of the type of work Energy AL performs in the nonprofit sector.

Woman’s Cancer Research Event

Collaborated with team to organize large community event “From Southern
Roots to Global Change,” engaging diverse stakeholders and raising awareness through effective outreach and relationship-building.

Startup World Cup - El Salvador

Participated in Startup World Cup in San Salvador, El Salvador. Alongside WiGO’s founders, we collaborated with local entrepreneurs and stakeholders to advance sustainable solutions and build cross-sector partnerships.