# Claire Chou

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## **EDUCATION**

#### Johns Hopkins University | Baltimore, MD

BS in Computer Science & Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering, Dean's List

- **GPA**: 4.0/4.0
- **Relevant Coursework**: Data Structures, Python, Java, Multivariable Calculus, Linear Algebra and Differential Equations, Physics, Chemical and Biological Process Analysis, Organic Chemistry

### WORK EXPERIENCE

#### Johns Hopkins University, Bevan Lab – Research Intern

Baltimore, MD

- Conducted research on colloidal and macromolecular systems in interfacial and confined geometries, focusing on their interactions, dynamics, and structures.
- Measured colloidal interactions with high sensitivity using TIRM and conducted analysis through MATLAB.

#### Johns Hopkins Gateway Python - Course Assistant

Baltimore, MD

- Enhanced 50+ students' programming skills by assisting with practical coding exercises and debugging projects.
- Conducted one-on-one office hours, clarifying Python programming concepts, including data structures, algorithms, and object-oriented programming.
- Assisted in the administration of quizzes, graded assignments, and provided constructive feedback.

#### Columbia University Irving Medical Center, Kiryluk Lab – Research Intern

New York, NY

- Investigated associations between urinary tract infections and specific genes on chromosomes 6 and 8 by conducting 45+ wet lab tests, identifying a positive relationship between genetic predisposition and UTI development.
- Analyzed 10+ literature articles and searched DNA databases to identify key genes relevant to the research.
- Conducted statistical analyses, including Chi-Squared tests and T-tests, using R, Jupyter Notebook, and Excel.

#### Pace University, Dyson Lab – Research Intern

Pleasantville, NY

- Studied the impact of hunting on bison populations by analyzing over 2,000 vocal formants, identifying significant long-term negative effects.
- Developed automation scripts for Praat software, increasing analysis efficiency by 50%.
- Authored a paper describing research and results for submission to Regeneron STS and NY State Junior Science Symposium.

#### Balducci's Stores – Cashier

Scarsdale, NY

 Processed transactions efficiently and provided excellent customer service, assisting with inquiries and resolving issues in a friendly manner.

## EXTRACURRICULARS AND AWARDS

- American Red Cross | Youth Advisory Board Representative Attended national conferences, organized blood drives and fundraisers; volunteered at local soup kitchens.
- Federated Conservationists of Westchester | Board Member Hosted environmental events with over 100 attendees, tabled at local fairs, created graphics for social media and webpage.
- Girls Who Code SIP— Developed a personal website and engaged in discussions on programming concepts.
- Reading Buddies | President Mentored 40+ students from underserved communities, focusing on literacy and math skills.
- Speech and Debate | Officer Competed in the national circuit and mentored underclassmen.

Awards: National Merit Finalist, 2nd Place at NYS Junior Science and Humanities Symposium, PF Debate Finalist

#### SKILLS & INTERESTS

- Languages: C/C++, Python, Java, HTML, MATLAB
- Laboratory Techniques: Western Blots, ELISA Assays, PCRs, RNAScope, Pipetting, Titrations
- Other Skills: Microsoft Excel, Literature Analysis, Mentoring, Data Analysis
- Interests: Mini Crosswords, pottery, knitting, painting, volleyball, cooking

Sep 2024 – Present

research.

May 2023 – Aug 2023

Jun 2020 - Apr 2023

Jul 2022 – Dec 2022

Nov 2024 – Present

Expected Graduation: May 2027