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# **EDUCATION**

Glenbrook South High School (GBS) | GPA 4.9/4.0

2020 - Present

Coursework: Biology, Calculus, Chemistry, Computer Science, Engineering, Medical Technology, Physics, Statistics

# PUBLICATIONS (PEER-REVIEWED) - Google Scholar

- [1] **John Raicu**, Valerie Hayot-Sasson, Kyle Chard, and Ian Foster. "Navigating the Molecular Maze: A Python-Powered Approach to Virtual Drug Screening", IEEE/ACM SuperComputing/SC 2023
- [2] Jamison Kerney, **John Raicu**, Kyle Chard, Ioan Raicu. "Towards Fine-grained Parallelism in Parsl", High-level Parallel Programming Models and Supportive Environments Workshop 2024, co-located with IEEE IPDPS 2024

# **PRESENTATIONS**

| <ul> <li>Navigating the Molecular Maze: A Python-Powered Approach to Virtual Drug Screening, IEEE/ACM SC 2023</li> </ul>      | November 2023 |
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| <ul> <li>ParslDock: Accelerating Virtual Drug Screening with Parallelism and Machine Learning, ParslFest 2023</li> </ul>      | October 2023  |
| <ul> <li>Navigating the Molecular Maze: A Python-Powered Approach to Virtual Drug Screening, University of Chicago</li> </ul> | August 2023   |

#### AWARDS

| 1st Place Individual Gold Medal & 5th/6th/19th Team Place   Illinois High School Chess Championship | 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024 |
|---|------------------------|
| 2nd Place ACM Student Research Competition (SRC)   IEEE/ACM SuperComputing/SC Conference            | 2023                   |
| National Honor Society  | 2023                   |
| Varsity Athletic Award (T) & Athletic Award (S/T) & Academic Athletic Award (S/T)   Soccer & Tennis | 2021, 2022, 2023       |
| Momentum Award   Glenbrook Symphony Orchestra   | 2021, 2022             |
| Illinois State Seal of Biliteracy   English & Spanish   | 2021                   |

### **SYNERGISTIC ACTIVITIES**

| Student   Engineering Capstone, Glenbrook South High School   Mentored by Victor Marinescu MD & Mike Sinde                             | 2023 - Present |  |  |  |
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| <ul> <li>Designed and built a 3D printed electric violin using a piezo preamp and active feedback reduction with noise gate</li> </ul> |                |  |  |  |
| <ul> <li>Developed prototype to remotely control a transesophageal echocardiogram (TEE) probe for cardiovascular imaging</li> </ul>    |                |  |  |  |
| Tutor   Glenbrook South High School  | 2022 - Present |  |  |  |

Tutored GBS students 120 hours in the Titan Learning Center for calculus, biology, chemistry, Spanish

Tutor | Freelance

2020 - Present

Tutored six students with one-on-one lessons paid hourly in Algebra I/II and Geometry

Research Assistant | Globus Labs, University of Chicago | Mentored by Professors Kyle Chard and Ian Foster

Summer 2023

Summer 2021

- Ten-week full-time paid internship exploring K-Nearest Neighbors machine learning to accelerate virtual drug screening
- Contributed to tutorial "Developing Large-Scale Parallel Programs in Python with Parsl" at TAPIA'23

Intern | Illinois Institute of Technology

Learned Python, HTML/CSS, and searched gene databases with BLAST in Computers Meets Biology

Entrepreneur | J&L 2021

Ran a small business making homemade ice cream and selling it in Glen Oak Acres neighborhood

# **COMMUNITY SERVICE**

| CONTRICT CERTICE       |   |            |
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| Volunteering/Shadowing | Dr. Thomas Gleason, Orthopedic Surgeon, Illinois Bone and Joint Institute | 2023       |
| Volunteering/Shadowing | Dr. Victor Marinescu, Cardiologist, Midwest Cardiovascular Institute      | 2023       |
| Musical Therapy        | Performed classical music in string ensemble at Senior Living Communities | 2020, 2023 |
| Fundraiser             | Performed holiday music for a fundraiser at the Romanian Community Center | 2022       |
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# **EXTRACURICULARS**

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| GBS Medical Chapter Club      | Member (2020 - 2023)   Outreach Coordinator (2022 - 2023)   President (2023 - Present)                                |  |
| Glenbrook Symphonic Orchestra | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Violin (2020 - 2021)   1 <sup>st</sup> Violin (2021 - 2023)   <u>Principal Chair</u> (2023 - Present) |  |
| Musical Instruments           | Violin (2010 - Present) & Piano (2015 - Present) at Music Institute of Chicago, Laughlin School of                    |  |
|                               | Music, and Private Instruction  |  |
| GBS Variety Show (*Band Lead) | *Dangerous (2022)   *Pirates of the Caribbean Sunny Side of the Street (2023)   |  |

\*Dangerous (2022) | \*Pirates of the Caribbean, Sunny Side of the Street (2023)

| \*Tico Tico, \*Concerto for Four Violins, Snow Angel, Survivor (2024)

GBS Tennis Team

2nd Singles (2021) | 1st Singles JV (2022) | 3rd Singles Varsity (2023) | Varsity (2024)

GBS Chess Team

2nd Singles (2021) | 1st Singles JV (2022) | 3rd Singles Varsity (2023) | Varsity (2024)

Board 3 (2021) | Board 5 (2022) | Board 4 (2023) | Board 2, Team Captain (2024)

GBS Table Tennis Team 2<sup>nd</sup> Singles (2020 - 2022) | 1<sup>st</sup> Singles, <u>Team Captain</u> (2023)

GBS Math Team Member (2021 - 2023)

GBS Paddle Club Member (2022) | President (2023)

GBS Soccer Team Striker (2020) | Striker (2021) | Left Wing Junior Varsity (2022)

GBS Freshmen Orchestra Concert Master (2020 - 2021)

### **SKILLS**

Language: English (native), Romanian (native), Spanish (fluent)

Computer: Java, Python, HTML, Latex, Linux, MacOS, Jupyter Notebook, GitHub, Overleaf, Fusion360, Docker, UTM, Photoshop, MSOffice