

# Raghav Balaji

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## Objective

Seeking master's degree intended to further my education in the connection of neuroscience and nutrition

## Education

### Bachelor of Arts: Nutritional Science

2023 - 2026

University of Florida - Gainesville, FL

GPA: 4.0/4.0

## Research Experience

### Research Assistant

July 2024 - Present

McKnight Brain Institute, Gainesville, FL

- Contribute in neurological research studying memory decline in rodents
- Partner with staff to assist in stereotactic neurological surgery

### University Scholars Program Recipient

March 2025 - Present

College of Medicine, University of Florida - Gainesville, FL

- Chosen as a recipient of \$1750 grant to fund neurological research
- Manage neurological research involving MRI techniques to study rodent brain activity

## Clinical Experience

### Executive Board Member & Hospital Volunteer

December 2023 - Present

Solace, Gainesville, FL

- Oversee the well-being of the organization by implementing and achieving set objectives
- Provide supplementary care for the mental well-being of the critical geriatric population at Shands

### Nurse Assistant

May 2024 - Present

Fixel Institute of Neurological Diseases - Gainesville, FL

- Room and take vitals of patients with movement disorders
- Support patient wellbeing by taking care of their emotional needs

## Leadership Experience

### Presidential Host & University Ambassador

December 2023 - Present

Florida Cicerones - Gainesville, FL

- Selected out of 700+ applicants to represent the university as an Ambassador
- Serve President Fuchs at the Powell University House and President's Suite
- Provide campus-wide tours for prospective students

### Assistant Director of Programming

June 2021 - Present

Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership Foundation - Melbourne, FL

- Advise leading high school students across Florida on bringing community service to their community
- Motivate students to advocate for community issues by assessing their community's needs
- Coordinate with committee through the year to plan camp hosting hundreds of high school students
- Oversee students through the overnight camp guiding them throughout the experience while maintaining their safety

## Involvement

University of Florida: Indian Student Association, Gator Refugee Medical Relief