

Researcher Profile:



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WHAT HAS BEEN YOUR PROUDEST ACCOMPLISHMENT IN RESEARCH?

We are publishing a substantial report for the Charlotte Mecklenburg Public Health Department and I'm the first author for them. More importantly, we've met and presented our work to our health representatives, Alma Adams and Jeff Jackson. Being able to create the research to support the representatives was incredible because we realized that we are contributing to change in our state.

HOW HAS RESEARCH CONTRIBUTED TO YOUR UNDERGRAD EXPERIENCE?

It's allowed me to be more confident in my capability to push myself and hold myself accountable. I've learned different ways to write with quantitative depth and now qualitative data. Being able to use both of those methods is something I can use in my other courses or in future iterations of this ongoing project.

ADVICE FOR SOMEONE WHO WANTS TO PURSUE RESEARCH WITH OUR?

Stay curious! Find what you're passionate about, but stay open to other possibilities. Once I got involved in this project, it changed my perspective on career opportunities with research. Stay confident in yourself because it's hard to put yourself out there. You'll go farther than you think!