

Charlene Kormondy

Education	University of Central Florida Bachelor of Science in Environmental Studies Major: Environmental Studies GPA: 4.0	Orlando, FL May 2014
Experience	UCF Political Ecology Laboratory <i>Undergraduate Research Assistant</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Assist Dr. Peter Jacques with his research on climate change skepticism• Participate in weekly lab meetings and discussions• Presented individual research on measuring the international value of sea turtles at the 2013 UCF Showcase of Undergraduate Research Excellence	Orlando, FL Jan 2013-Present
	Burnett Honors College <i>Student Assistant</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Provide extensive information about the Honors College to prospective students and their families both in person and on the phone• Perform general office duties such as inputting data, answering phone calls, and scheduling appointments	Orlando, FL Nov 2011-Present
	Sierra Club <i>Intern</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Worked on the Sierra Club's campaign to protect Florida's waters by advocating for the use of Numeric Nutrient Pollution Standards and strong fertilizer ordinances• Assisted with educational outreach events for the Orlando community	Orlando, FL May-Aug 2013
	UCF Unifying Theme <i>Team Member</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Presented an Environmental Ethics Film Series and invited guest speakers to UCF in order to promote an interdisciplinary approach to solving environmental problems• Led focus groups to improve the Knight's Earth phone application	Orlando, FL Aug 2012-Apr 2013
	Leadership Experience	President's Leadership Council <i>Council Member</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Serve as an ambassador for the University of Central Florida and the Office of the President• Help host university functions and interact with distinguished guests of the university
	UCF Honors Orientation <i>Peer Ambassador</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Introduced incoming students to the University of Central Florida and the Burnett Honors College at the Honors Orientation• Assisted students in planning their freshman year schedules	Orlando, FL Summer 2011, 2012, & 2013
	Honors Congress <i>Social Committee Member</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Planned activities for Honors students to enable them to get to know each other and to promote among them a sense of identification with the Honors College• Facilitated events from set up to clean up	Orlando, FL Jan 2011-Dec 2012

**Community
& Global
Involvement**

2012 President's Scholars Program

Study Abroad Participant

- Studied abroad in a service learning program in the islands of St. Kitts & Nevis
- Constructed a shadehouse for Clarence Fitzroy Bryant College in St. Kitts
- Conducted oral history interviews in Nevis to preserve knowledge of various sectors of agriculture
- Participated in a panel discussion in the Nevis Department of Agriculture to help promote networking between different agricultural sectors

St. Kitts & Nevis
Jun-Jul 2012

UCF Service Learning Showcase

Student Presenter

- Presented an overview of the shadehouse construction project that was built in St. Kitts as part of the President's Scholars Program
- Won the Economic Sustainability scholarship and the STEM award

Orlando, FL
Apr 2013

UNESCO Conference on Environmental Policy Formulation and Planning in the Caribbean Region

Conference Speaker

- Traveled to the island of Nevis as a UNESCO Conference delegate to speak on behalf of the UCF President's Scholars
- Presented our work on agricultural sustainability and explained how hydroponic farming inside of a shadehouse is a viable climate change adaptation strategy for small island nations

Nevis
May 2013

Honors Educational Reach Out (Green HEROs)

Volunteer

- Participate in various "green" projects around Orlando
- Volunteer at the UCF Arboretum, the Orlando Wetlands Festival, and A Grateful Mind International community garden in Holden Heights

Orlando, FL
Jan 2013-Present

UCF Alternative Spring Break Program

Volunteer

- Volunteered at Pelican Island National Wildlife Refuge for a week during spring break
- Participated in landscaping projects, beautification, and clearing of invasive species

Orlando, FL
Mar 2013

Honors Congress

Volunteer

- Participated in multiple Cocoa Beach clean ups
- Collected cans to feed low income families

Orlando, FL
Sep 2010-Sep 2012
Oct 2010

Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID)

AVID Teacher

- Taught AVID lesson plans to third graders at Pineloch Elementary
- Interacted with students in an underserved school to inspire them to pursue higher education

Orlando, FL
Sep-Nov 2010

**Honors and
Awards**

2013 Order of Pegasus, UCF's most prestigious student award
2013 Women's Executive Council 1972 Scholarship Recipient
2013 Founders' Award Scholar for Undergraduate Studies
2012 Founders' Award Scholar for the College of Engineering and Computer Science
2011 William Palm Family Engineering Scholarship Recipient
President's Honor Roll, Dean's List, Pegasus Gold Scholar