

Priya Raja

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EDUCATION

Baylor University- M.S Medical Science

Aug 2026- July 2027

University of Texas at Austin Austin, Texas B.S Psychology

Aug 2023- Jun 2026

University of Texas at San Antonio (UTSA) San Antonio, Texas B.A Psychology

Aug 2022- May 2023

Awards & Honors: Texas Folklife Apprenticeship Program Awardee, Honor Roll at UTSA

Certifications: Dental Assistance Certification, BLS/CPR Certification

WORK & SHADOWING EXPERIENCE

Dental Shadowing- Dr. Mohan Raj Jaganathan DDS BDS MPA; San Antonio, TX | 11hrs/week

May 2024-Aug 2025

- Analyzed cosmetic dentistry workflows to understand patient experience, operational efficiency, and care delivery
- Supported patient dental education and assisted with dental lab preparation

Student Dental Assistant- Dr.Sweta Tailor DDS PLC; Austin, TX

Jul 2024- Mar 2025

- Assisted in sterilization of dental instruments and equipment, ensuring compliance with infection control standards.
- Aided front office operations, including scheduling appointments, verifying insurance, and managing patient records.
- Prepared treatment rooms and set up equipment for dental procedures, ensuring everything was ready for the dentist's use.
- Assisted with dental procedures, including suctioning, prepping materials, and assisting during exams.

Administrative Consultant- Community First Health Plans; San Antonio, TX

Jan 2023- Aug 2023

- Verified provider credentialing documentation to ensure compliance with Community First Health Plans (CFHP) policies
- Updated Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments records for 1,900+ participating clinics and hospitals nationwide
- Managed independent workflows while coordinating virtually with clients and internal teams to maintain operational continuity

Undergraduate Researcher- UTSA's Dep. of Neuroscience; San Antonio, TX | 5hrs/week

Aug 2022 - Aug 2023

- Conducted neuroscience research in Dr. Savelli's lab examining navigational place and grid cell systems
- Investigated subcortical and cortical contributions to spatial and nonspatial representations within the hippocampal formation

UTHSCA Standardized Patient Program- San Antonio, TX

Jun 2022- Nov 2022

- Performed standardized patient roles by delivering scripted symptoms, behaviors, and emotional responses
- Evaluated 100+ medical and nursing students on clinical communication and examination skills under physician supervision

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

Food Pantry Volunteer- Micah 6 of Austin; Austin, TX | 4hrs/week

Aug 2023-present

- Facilitating pantry flow by preparing food packages, distributing meals to unhoused community and managing setup/closing

Cerebral Palsy Awareness Transition Awareness (CPATH)- The Green Machines; Austin, TX | 4hrs/week

Aug 2023-present

- Helping individuals affected by Cerebral palsy take part in soccer with "Power Chairs" and assisting with any difficulties

EXTRACURRICULAR

Philanthropy Committee- Texas Pre-Dental Society; Austin, TX | 5 hrs/ week

Aug 2024 - May 2025

- Deliver pediatric dental care to rural elementary students through Kids Tooth Team Outreach via mobile clinic services
- Secure \$200K+ in funding by engaging local Austin dentists to expand access to dental healthcare
- Coordinate small-group information sessions, workshops, and community engagement activities

External Hospitality Director- Jhalak Dance Competition; Austin TX | 4 hrs/wk

Jun 2024 - Present

- Manage external team & judge logistics, including travel, housing, and on-site support, to ensure a seamless competition
- Serve as the primary liaison between external guests and internal teams, enabling clear communication & rapid issue resolution

Logistics Director & Dancer- UT Saaya; Austin, TX | 15 hrs/ week

Aug 2023 - Present

- Oversee travel, housing, and budget logistics spreadsheets to keep competition operations organized and on budget
- Perform as a competitive dancer on UT Austin's premier Bollywood dance team, achieving national-level for the past 3 years

SKILLS

Clinical Skills: Dental Surgical Assistance, Dental Sterilization, Animal Surgical Assistance, Anesthesia Monitoring, Animal Handling, euthanasia procedures

Languages: Fluent English, Fluent Tamil, Beginner Spanish (speaking and reading)

Software & Tools: Microsoft Office, Google Workspace, Wix, Weebly, basic Squarespace, Digital Social Media Promotion

Administrative & Systems: Scheduling and Calendar Management (Calendly), Electronic Record Systems