

# KARLA PEREZ

## CONTACT

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## EDUCATION

### Villanova University

Honors Program  
B.A. Psychology & Political Science  
(Pre-Law Track)  
Class of 2028 GPA: 3.7

### Perth Amboy High School

High School Diploma  
Class of 2024 GPA: 4.3

## AWARDS & CERTIFICATIONS

- National Finalist, Youth Entrepreneurship Program – Oct 2024
- Deans list - Fall 2024, Spring 2025
- Seal of Biliteracy Certificate- May 2024

## SKILLS

- Leadership & Mentorship
- Public Speaking & Community Engagement
- Critical Thinking & Strategic Planning

## LANGUAGE

- English (proficient)
- Spanish (proficient)



## WORK EXPERIENCE

### SEEDS Student Advisor – Summer 2025

Mentored middle school students in academic prep and boarding school readiness. Led tutoring sessions, non-academic electives, facilitated workshops geared to preparing students for the transition to high school and taught dance classes as sports activities. Supported teachers and worked 1-on-1 with students

### Community Interpreter Intern – Aug 2024 – Dec 2024

Interpreted legal consultations and asylum cases (Spanish/English)  
Translated legal documents, intake forms, and court materials

### Youth Entrepreneurship Intern – Nov 2023 – Oct 2024

Created and pitched a business proposal at regional and national competitions. Gained experience in public speaking, business strategy, and innovation

### Volunteer, Mobile Family Success Center – Nov 2023 – Aug 2024

Assisted at events focused on child workshops, resume writing, and budgeting. Supported community families through interactive programming

### Research Assistant – Juvenile Correctional Facility CRIPA

CUNY John Jay College of Criminal Justice (Remote) | Aug 2025 – Present

Conduct content coding and data analysis of DOJ CRIPA juvenile correctional facility findings. Support research on constitutional violations, facility standards, and juvenile justice reform.

## EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

### Latin American Student Organization (LASO) - (E-Board Member

I serve as a liaison between first-year students and the organization.

### Pre-Law Society - Member

As a member of the Pre-Law Society, I actively participated in events and discussions related to law and legal careers, gaining insights into the legal profession.

### Villanova Leadership Program

Engaged in a semester-long leadership development series and earned a Certificate of Leadership upon successful completion of program requirements.