

NAISHA MERCURY

CLASS OF 2022

STUDENT PROFILE

Hometown: Charlotte, NC

Undergraduate Major: Health Service Management

Career Aspirations: Medical Malpractice Lawyer

Professional School: Elon University School of Law

What's been your favorite part of the journey to apply to professional schools?

Pressing submit on my law school applications and receiving acceptance letters!

How did you prepare yourself for the process of applying to schools?

I prayed and ask God to guide me in the direction that he wants to me go. I also had the support of family, friends, and professors.

Looking back, what advice would you give to students who are interested in professional schools? What do you wish you had known earlier?

I wish I would have started studying for the LSAT my junior year of undergrad. My advice for students is to make sure you start building up your GPA from freshman year, I made sure I did that, and it worked out in my favor. Having a high GPA helped balance out my LSAT score because I am not a good test taker.

What services or organizations would you recommend pre-professional students utilize?

Organizations that are a part of their majors, and organizations that they feel fit their personality and aspirations.

What were some of the challenges you came across when preparing to apply to schools (what was tougher than you expected)?

The Law School Admission Test (LSAT) was the hardest part of my law school admissions journey because it was hard to balance with school and my extracurricular activities, but I made it through.

What organizations were you involved in as an undergraduate student?

- Resident Advisor
- Vice President of Future Healthcare Executives
- Student Conduct Board Chair
- Pirate Navigator
- Pre-Law Society

What type of shadowing did you do?

- Intern at ECU Physicians -Spring 2022
- Shadowed JoLlisa Drayton ESQ and public defender at Gaston County Courthouse -Summer 2021

What type of volunteering did you do?

- Events through being a RA.

Did you do research? If so what was the topic?

Yes, I did. Implicit Bias Within Healthcare Against Patients - 10/1/20

What was your most rewarding experience at ECU?

Serving as a campus leader and a role model to others.

Any other advice, recommendations, suggestions, or comments?

Thank you, East Carolina University for a wonderful 4 years.