

# Travis Pearson

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## SUMMARY

Detail-oriented intern enthusiastic about contributing to compliance team efforts. Currently pursuing an Accounting degree at the University of Illinois, with hands-on experience in tax filing and preparatory tasks. Proven success maintaining accuracy in tax-related processes and collaborating effectively with senior accountants. Eager to support diverse financial activities, ensuring efficient workflow while resolving jurisdictional issues. Committed to continuous learning and improving financial operational practices within a supportive team environment.

## EDUCATION

### Bachelor of Science in Accounting

University of Illinois GPA: 3.0

2026

Champaign, IL

**Coursework:** Intermediate Accounting I, Corporate Finance, Business Statistics, Federal Income Taxation

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

- **Microsoft Office:** Excel, Word, PowerPoint
- **Tax Software:** TurboTax, H&R Block
- **Statistical Tools:** SPSS, R
- **Data Analytics Tools:** Tableau, SQL
- **Accounting Standards:** GAAP, IFRS
- **Collaboration Tools:** Slack, Microsoft Teams
- **Presentation Tools:** Prezi, Google Slides
- **Project Management Tools:** Trello, Asana
- **Communication Tools:** Email, Chat
- **Research Tools:** Google Scholar, JSTOR

## SKILLS

- Microsoft Excel
- Tax Compliance
- Data Analysis
- Documentation Management
- Research Skills
- Client Communication
- Team Collaboration
- Problem Solving
- Attention to Detail
- Project Coordination
- Time Management
- Presentation Skills
- Critical Thinking
- Regulatory Knowledge
- Reporting Skills

## EXPERIENCE

### Tax Compliance Assistant

Brighton Financial Services

January 2025 - Present

Chicago, IL

Providing support to lead accountants in tax compliance strategies while actively engaging in various return preparation techniques.

- Assist in preparing and filing tax returns for individuals and businesses.
- Maintain detailed records of tax payment transactions and relevant documentation.
- Collaborate with colleagues to address client inquiries regarding taxing jurisdictions.
- Prepare month-end reports summarizing completed tax filings.

### Intern

Greenfield Accounting Firm

June 2024 - December 2024

Peoria, IL

Supported seasoned accountants with document preparation and compliance strategies focusing on effective execution.

- Aided in the development of accurate tax filings and necessary documentation.
- Conducted thorough research on state and federal tax regulations.
- Assisted proactively in organizing client records and assembling monthly summaries.
- Strengthened communication lines to ensure clarity in financial expectations.

### Volunteer Tax Preparer

VITA Program

January 2024 - April 2024

Springfield, IL

Volunteered to assist low-income communities by preparing and filing tax returns under professional supervision.

- Worked closely with clients during tax preparation sessions, ensuring accurate reporting.
- Educated clients about their tax obligations and refunds.

- Collected and managed sensitive documents carefully, upholding confidentiality standards.
- Established strong rapport with participants, which fostered community trust.

## **LEADERSHIP & AWARDS**

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- Dean's List for two consecutive semesters for high academic performance.
- Outreach Excellence Recognition awarded for volunteer contributions to VITA program.

## **CERTIFICATIONS**

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- Certified Tax Preparer 📅 2026
- Financial Planning Certificate 📅 2025

## **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

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- Member of Accounting Society at University of Illinois, participating in workshops and networking events.
- Active participant in campus finance seminars and student-led workshops enhancing practical skills.

## **LANGUAGES**

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- English (Native) • Spanish (Intermediate)

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

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**Work Status** : Authorized to work in United States. No sponsorship required.

## **REFERENCES**

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AVAILABLE ON REQUEST