

# ADAM KASTI

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## EDUCATION

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**University of Richmond**, Richmond, VA

May 2027

Bachelor of Arts, Political Science, Leadership Studies

**Cumulative GPA: 4.00/4.00**

Honors: Omicron Delta Kappa, Phi Eta Sigma, Mortar Board, Phi Alpha Theta,  
Pi Sigma Alpha, Richmond Scholars, Richmond College Metcalf Prize

## EXPERIENCE & RESEARCH

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**Political Theory Research**, Tampa, FL; Richmond, VA

May 2025 - Present

*Summer Research Fellowship: Tocqueville, Democracy, and Empire; Honors Thesis: Tocqueville and COVID-19*

- Read and analyze primary sources and secondary literature
- Connect events and other observations to political theory and writings
- Draft research proposals, write and present about observations

**Araneum: Richmond Journal of American and Global Affairs**, Richmond, VA

February 2025 - Present

*Co-Editor-in-Chief*

- Review and select articles, essays, and current event articles for peer review process and publication
- Update the website for the journal, including blog interviews with previously-published authors
- Catalogue undergraduate political science journals statewide and nationwide to encourage submissions to the journal as part of the journal's three-year plan

**Richmond Scholars Program**, Richmond, VA

January 2025 - Present

*Head Recruitment Ambassador (Spring 2026), Recruitment Scholar Ambassador (Spring 2025)*

- Interview prospective Richmond Scholars for admission to the program
- Communicate with finalists, providing information about the university and personal experiences
- Plan and coordinate activities for Scholar Snapshot, where finalists were invited to campus for several days

## CAMPUS INVOLVEMENT

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**University of Richmond Video Game Orchestra (URVGO)**, Richmond VA

March 2024 - Present

*Founder, President, Arranger, Conductor*

- Collaborate with peers, student organization office, and music department to create and run the organization
- Arrange music for the ensemble to play, wrote original story for Fall 2025 Concert, "The Hero's Journey"
- Direct rehearsals and conduct the orchestra, in preparation for end-of-semester concert

**University Wind Ensemble**

September 2023 - Present

*Principal Clarinet, Band Assistant*

- Perform advanced band literature, which includes several solos
- Set up and take down spaces for weekly rehearsal, distribute music to players in ensemble

**Richmond College Student Government Association**, Richmond, VA

September 2023 - April 2026

*Senator*

- Campaigned for election and won one of seven available seats per class
- Updated student government website
- Participated in Constitutional Review Task Force, made suggested constitutional amendments
- Approved contingency funding requests for campus organizations

## SKILLS & INTERESTS

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Technical: Office 365, R

Other Skills: Writing, Editing, Public Speaking, Website Management, Music Composition, Music Arrangement

Interests: Political Theory, Politics and Current Affairs, History, Music Performance, Music Composition, Gaming