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Christopher Marcell is a master’s student focusing on clinical social work with clients in Mississippi who are affected by mental illness, addictions and recovery, and/or offender reintegration status. His field placement was doing clinical rotation in a behavioral health hospital where he provided mental health interventions to adolescent, adult, and geriatric patients. He plans to work for licensed clinical social worker after graduation in 2020. Chris sees himself as poised in a key time and place to apply social work standards in work with those who have been oppressed, marginalized, or historically impoverished. As a Verne LaMarr Lyons Memorial recipient, he will continue focusing work on health disparities and accessibility to treatment. Chris is a 2018 - 2020 recipient of the Nellie B. Hutchison academic scholarship, Mississippi Society for Social Work Leadership in Health Care scholarship, and The Golden PRIDE award.
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