Lori Trescone participated in the Biomedical Research Program at The University of Arizona. She was supervised by Dr. N. Andrew Groves and Dr. James Collins. UAB’s Comprehensive Metabolomics Laboratory. Her project focused on "β-Cell Compensation and Type 2 Diabetes" and she presented this work at the UAB Undergraduate Research Symposium. Her research project was titled: "My BIG Fat Math Model: An Introduction to the Theoretical Biology Institute (MTBI) at Arizona State University under the mentorship of Dr. David T.udes and Dr. Stephen H. Strogatz. She enjoyed the "world of academia in the Ivy League" and felt this was "an extraordinary and unselfish team to be honored with the William J. Villa Outstanding McNair Scholar Award."
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One Year Later: Alumni Reflection with Lizaveta Arévalo

Lizaveta Arévalo
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From developing a research project to presenting my work at national conferences, I’ve been able to immerse myself in the field of labor and workforce issues. I’ve been able to gain valuable experience in academic research, writing, and public policy.

Lizaveta graduated with honors in Political Science from UCSB and went on to attend Stanford University Law School. She is now an attorney and policy analyst at the Center for American Progress in Washington, D.C., where she works on immigration and labor policy issues.

Lizaveta’s path to success was not without challenges. Like many McNair scholars, she faced obstacles and setbacks along the way. However, she remained committed to her goals and pursued them with determination.

Lizaveta’s story is a testament to the power of the McNair Scholars Program. The program provided her with the support, mentorship, and resources she needed to succeed. Lizaveta is now a strong advocate for the program and encourages others to join.

Lizaveta encourages aspiring McNair scholars to stay focused and committed to their goals. She advises them to seek out mentors who can provide guidance and support. She also encourages them to take advantage of the resources and opportunities available to them.

Lizaveta’s advice to McNair scholars is to believe in themselves and their abilities. She reminds them that they have the power to achieve their dreams.

Lizaveta’s story is one of triumph and resilience. It is a story of hard work, determination, and success. Lizaveta is an inspiration to all McNair scholars and a testament to the power of education.