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I've always wanted to share the universe's wonders, and Washburn helped me do that by volunteering at the Crane Observatory. The physics department is small, but I expanded outreach by connecting with the physics and engineering club, building a stronger team. Balancing sports and academics was challenging, but Washburn's support system made it manageable. Before Apeiron 2024, I had never given an oral presentation on my physics work, but the event was a success, and I finally felt I belonged in the field. This summer, I'll intern with SETI Breakthrough at Berkeley, searching for extraterrestrial life. Next, I plan to pursue a master's in theoretical cosmology at Heidelberg University (pending acceptance) with the goal of earning a PhD in gravitational wave studies within a cosmological framework.