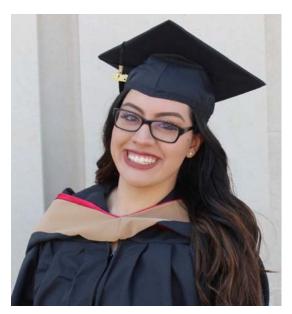
Victoria K. Bañuelas – Daughter of Marco A. Bañuelas, Plano Fire Department



Victoria earned a bachelor's degree in Exercise Sport Science and minors in Biology and Chemistry from Texas Tech University in 2015. During her undergraduate career, Victoria founded Texas Tech's first-ever studentrun research program dedicated to provide minority students get research opportunities. Victoria herself is a two time <u>published researcher</u>, first in the Journal of Occupational and Environmental Medicine (JOEM) and second in, Human Factors: The Journal of Human Factors and Economics Society. Apart from being an outstanding scholar, Victoria has devoted over 2,500 hours of community service to her local community. Some of her favorite volunteer engagements include assisting at the Free Clinic, tutoring students and serving on medical mission trips.

Victoria has received numerous civic, academic and buisness awards including a merit scholarship to one of two programs in the nation to offer a Master in Business Administration program with a focus in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics. Since graduating with her STEM, MBA Victoria helped launched a technology start-up called <u>ResuMakers</u>. Using data and algorithms her team create a digital resume assistant that could help everyone from young students, to even ESL job seekers craft competitive and compelling resumes tailored to their specific industries and career goals. The company's unique service gained popularity and Victoria and her team became 1 of 6 companies selected to receive funding through the <u>TTU Innovation Hub at Research Park</u>.

Today, Victoria resides in the DFW area, where she enjoys watching movies, traveling, and spending time with family. A fun fact that Victoria would like people to know about her is that she has a deep love for dance. At just three years old Victoria started training in classical ballet. Although, Victoria has had a total of four knee surgeries she still enjoys dance and was even apart of the Texas Tech official Hip Hop Dance Team, Dancers with Souls.

In the future, Victoria hopes to attend professional school and pursue a career in medicine with a focus in sports rehabilitation. In the meantime, Victoria remains an active civic leader in her community, serving as a mentor to students and a dedicated assistant basketball coach for the youth recreational league.

