

Application Form

Introduction

Applications will remain on file for a **one-year period**. You are welcome to re-apply at that time if you are still interested and have not been appointed to serve.

Please Agree with the Following Statement

I hereby acknowledge that the information I provide in this application is subject to disclosure pursuant to the North Carolina Public Records Laws, and that I provide the information contained in this application freely and voluntarily, and that I consent to such disclosure pursuant to the North Carolina Public Records Laws, and that I waive, release and discharge the City of Raleigh, its agents, employees and elected and appointed officials, from any liability related to disclosure of any information provided herein.

I Agree

Profile

_____ Damien _____ Gu _____
Prefix First Name Middle Initial Last Name Suffix

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Primary Phone

Home Address

Suite or Apt

City

State

Postal Code

_____ Software Engineer _____
Employer Job Title

If uncertain about your Council District, visit the RaleighNC.gov and search by your address in the "**Find Your Services by Address**" section. Your council district will be displayed directly below the picture of your Council Member.

What district do you live in? *

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Which Boards would you like to apply for?

Fair Housing Advisory Board: On Agenda

Damien Gu

How did you hear about this application processes?

Council member

Interests & Experiences

Please tell us about yourself and why you want to serve.

Why are you interested in serving on a board or commission?

Councilmember Mary Black nominated me for this board. I grew up in Raleigh and attended all Wake County Public Schools, including Ligon Middle School and Enloe High School. I completed Raleigh Citizen Leadership Academy last Spring. I've spoken multiple times at city council meetings and would love the opportunity to serve Raleigh. Housing is one of the most important issues that Raleigh is facing and it is important that our residents have a fair chance at housing.

Please describe your work, education and volunteer experience in the following sections or optionally upload a resume.

Work Experience

Education

Volunteer Experience

[Damien_Gu_Resume.pdf](#)

Upload a Resume

Upload any additional documentation

Demographics

Demographics - Voluntary - Not Required

Disclaimer: This Demographics Section of the Application is **not required** and by completing it, I do so **voluntarily** and acknowledge that the information I provide in this application is subject to disclosure pursuant to the **North Carolina Public Records Laws**, and that I provide the information contained in this application **freely and voluntarily**, and that **I consent** to such disclosure pursuant to the **North Carolina Public Records Laws**, and that **I waive, release and discharge** the City of Raleigh, its officers, officials (elected and appointed), employees and agents, from any liability related to disclosure of any information provided herein.

Purpose: Raleigh City Council Resolution No. 302(1986) establishes a policy that City Boards and Commissions be representative of the City's residents. The following **voluntary** questions are asked with the goal of meeting this policy and ensure diverse representation on City Boards and Commissions.

Damien Gu

Which age group describes you?

22 - 30

Gender:

Male

Ethnicity:

No, not Hispanic, Latino or Spanish origin

Sexual Orientation:

Heterosexual

For the following question, how would you define your race?
Please consider the following sub-groupings for race:

- Asian: (Cambodia, China, India, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Pakistan, the Philippine Islands, Thailand, and Vietnam)
- Black or African American: (Haitian, Jamaican, Nigerian, Somali)
- Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander: (person having origins in any of the original peoples of Hawaii, Guam, Samoa, or other Pacific Islands)
- White: (Irish, German, English)

You may select more than one.

Race *

Asian

Marginalized communities include those who have been [historically excluded](#) from involvement in our cities, as well as those continuing to face other barriers to civic participation. This includes those marginalized by factors like race, wealth, immigration status, and sexual orientation.

For the following question, do you identify as part of a marginalized group? If so please list and consider the following examples for marginalized groups:

- veterans
- seniors
- hearing, visually, and physically challenged persons
- women and girls
- formerly incarcerated people

Marginalized Group

Board Specific Criteria


Accurate and Complete

Please Agree with the Following Statement

I hereby certify and affirm that all of the information provided by me in this application (or any other accompanying or required documents) is correct, accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that the falsification, misrepresentation or omission of any facts in said documents may be cause for disqualification of my application or my immediate removal from a board or commission.

I Agree

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

North Raleigh Endodontics, Information Management Director – Raleigh, NC Jun 2023 – Aug 2023

- Managed and maintained office IT infrastructure, patient data tools and systems
- Collaborated with office staff to provide technical support, guidance, and training

Veradigm (formerly Allscripts), Software Engineer – Raleigh, NC Mar 2021 – Apr 2022

- ZappRx specialty prescription management software (Python, Django)

IBM, Software Engineer – Raleigh, NC Jul 2017 - Jun 2020

- IBM Care (Java, Angular, MongoDB)
 - Integrated Slack and email notifications for Care Session status updates, account admin requests, and onboarding to IBM Care
 - Implemented Net Promoter Score (NPS) feedback form and issue reporting
 - Enhanced Asset Resource Management (ARM) integration directly in Care Sessions
- IBM Cloud Private, IBM Multicloud Manager, IBM Cloud Paks (Kubernetes, Docker, OpenShift)

Intelligent Automation Inc., Software Engineering Intern – Rockville, MD May 2016 - Aug 2016

- Integrated GNU Radio software development toolkit into IAI's Radio Application Programming and Interface Development Tool (RAPID) software
- Parsed GNU Radio XML files for parameter data and generate corresponding RAPID modules while maintaining compatibility with original modules (Python, C++, Ubuntu)

Shaw University/U.S. EPA, Research Apprentice – Raleigh, NC Aug 2010 - May 2014

- Developed a CSI-genre computer video game. Designed and implemented the algorithm for tasks such as GUI, object interaction, and switching levels (JavaScript, Unity3D)
- Researched Mobile Toxicokinetic Modeling/Simulation at the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in Research Triangle Park (RTP) (Math Minion, Berkeley Madonna)

EDUCATION

University of North Carolina – Chapel Hill, NC Aug 2014 – May 2017 (Graduated 1 Year Early)

- Bachelor of Science (BS) Computer Science (GPA 3.4)
- Honors Carolina Program, Dean's List, Will Froelich Fellowship, Carolina Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship, Carolina Research Scholar, Phi Beta Kappa Society (ΦBK)

National University of Singapore FASStrack Asia Study Abroad – Singapore Summer 2015

- Economic Issues in the Developing World and Understanding China: Past and Present

William G. Enloe Magnet High School – Raleigh, NC Aug 2010 - May 2014

- Rank 4/550 (GPA 5.50 weighted), ACT: 34, SAT II Math: 800, SAT II Physics: 800
- Freshman Class Vice President, Sophomore Class Vice President, National AP Scholar, Science Olympiad Nationals, Varsity Swimming Team, Key Club, National Honor Society, Math Tutor

SKILLS AND LANGUAGES

- **Proficient:** Python, Java
- **Previous Experience:** SQL, Angular, MongoDB, JavaScript, XML, HTML5, CSS3, C#, C/C++
- **Tools & Operating Systems:** Eclipse, PyDev, Visual Studio Code, Atom, Visual Studio, Git, GitHub, JIRA, Slack, Unity3D, Windows, Ubuntu/Linux

POLITICAL EXPERIENCE

2024 Democratic National Convention (DNC) Joe Biden North Carolina Congressional District 13 Delegate
changed to Kamala Harris Delegate
2024 NCDP Platform and Resolutions Committee Congressional District 13 Representative
2024 Reeves Peeler for Raleigh City Council Volunteer
2024-2025 Young Democrats of North Carolina (YDNC) Disability Caucus Chair
2023-2025 Wake County Precinct 18-01 Vice Chair
2023-2025 Progressive Caucus of NCDP Assistant Treasurer
2023-2024 Disability Issues Caucus of NCDP 1st Vice President
2023 Nate Baker for Durham City Council Volunteer
2021-2025 Wake County State Executive Committee (SEC) Member
2021-2022 Wake County Precinct 02-05 Vice Chair
2021 Wake County Representative to NCDP Congressional District 4 Executive Committee
2020-2022 Young Democrats of North Carolina (YDNC) Congressional District 4 Representative
2020-Lifetime Member of Asian American and Pacific Islanders (AAPI) Caucus of NCDP
2020 Democratic National Convention (DNC) Bernie Sanders North Carolina At-Large Delegate
2019-2020 Bernie Sanders for North Carolina Volunteer Organization Founder
2019-2020 Bernie Sanders Social Media Team Moderator, Texting Team Moderator, Students for Bernie
Team Moderator, Literature Captain, Bernie Victory Captain, sent over 2.6 million texts for Bernie Sanders