



Congratulations to the seniors graduating from the University Honors Program this spring. We are proud of your accomplishments and wish you the best in your next adventure.

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## College of Agriculture & Life Sciences



### Justin Biggerstaff

Norwalk, IA

Animal Ecology

**Honors Project:** The Effect of Climate Change on Tree Swallow Breeding Phenology in Central Iowa

**Moment of pride:** Getting the opportunity to get published in 2 scientific papers

**Post-grad plans:** Graduate school, after a gap year



### Bennett Fate

Glen Ellyn, IL

Environmental Science (AGLS), Biology (AGLS)

Minor in Spanish

**Participation & Awards:** Stewart Research Grant Recipient, Student Enrichment Grant Recipient

**Honors Project:** Investigating the Effects of Varying Biochars on Seedling Root Rot in Soybean Plants Inoculated with *Pythium sylvaticum*

**Moment of pride:**

**Post-grad plans:** Working for the Bureau of Land Management in Oregon



### Abigail Fowler

Cedar Rapids, IA

Microbiology

Minor in Global Health

**Participation & Awards:** Mentor Grant Recipient

**Honors Project:** Characterizing the Growth and Differentiation of Adult Hippocampal Progenitor Cells on Gelatin Scaffold

**Moment of pride:** Being copresident for the ISU Pre-Health Conference for two years and serving as a mentor in my lab

**Post-grad plans:** I will be attending Boston University's Program in Biomedical Sciences to pursue my PhD



### Alexandria Geary

Buda, IL

Animal Science

Minor in Microbiology

**Honors Project:** Use of Biologically Relevant Enrichment to Improve Nursery-Aged Pig Weaning Transition

**Moment of pride:** Placing 6th in trampoline at the National Association of Intercollegiate Gymnastics Clubs national meet

**Post-grad plans:** Attending Veterinary School at Lincoln Memorial University in Tennessee



### Jonah Gray

Ames, IA



### Seth Harbecke

Sycamore, IL



Environmental Science (AGLS), Agronomy  
 Minor in Sustainability  
**Participation & Awards:** Mentor Grant Recipient  
**Honors Project:** Temperature Sensitivity of N<sub>2</sub>O Production in Response to a Changing Climate and Agricultural Drainage  
**Moment of pride:** 4 years as an improv comedian in Grandma Mojos  
**Post-grad plans:** Phd in Ecology at Pennsylvania State University



Biochemistry (AGLS)  
 Minor in Agronomy  
**Participation & Awards:** UHP Grant Recipient  
**Honors Project:** Simple Sugar-Based Fertilizer Impacts on Corn Growth and Nutrient Content  
**Moment of pride:** President of Students for Salt Company  
**Post-grad plans:** Returning home to farm



**Karly Jans**  
 Clutier, IA  
 Biology (AGLS), Animal Ecology  
**Participation & Awards:** UHP Grant Recipient, Student Enrichment Grant Recipient  
**Honors Project:** Investigating Job Satisfaction in Iowa Veterinary Clinics  
**Moment of pride:** Presenting my research on mental health in veterinary clinics at multiple conferences.  
**Post-grad plans:** Iowa State College of Veterinary Medicine



**Emma Kelley**  
 Central City, IA  
 Animal Science  
 Minor in Agronomy  
**Honors Project:** Examining the Impact of Heat Stress on the Diaphragm  
**Moment of pride:** Equestrian Club - Eventing Team Co-Public Relations Chair  
**Post-grad plans:** Master's at Virginia Tech or Texas A&M in Muscle Physiology



**Brier Klossing**  
 Mount Pleasant, IA  
 Biology (AGLS), Animal Ecology  
**Participation & Awards:** FHP Leader  
**Honors Project:** Analyzing the Coyote-Fox-Domestic Cat Relationship  
**Moment of pride:** Receiving the NOAA Hollings scholarship  
**Post-grad plans:** Texas State University, Master's of science in conservation and population biology



**Hannah Kramer**  
 Dubuque, IA  
 Horticulture  
 Minor in Entrepreneurship  
**Honors Project:** Determining the Effectiveness of an Isotridecanol Additive on Reducing Fertilizer Concentrations for Greenhouse Crop Production  
**Moment of pride:** Vice-President of Horticulture Club  
**Post-grad plans:** Master's of Horticultural Science at Iowa State



**Kamryn Lesle**  
 Manning, IA  
 Animal Science  
**Honors Project:** Effect of Fecal Microbiota Transplant on Sow and Piglet Microbiome  
**Moment of pride:** My capstone project  
**Post-grad plans:** Internship in Animal Science and potentially vet school or graduate school



**Jaime Lyke**  
 Schaumburg, IL  
 Animal Science  
**Honors Project:** The Evolution of Veterinary School Hopefuls  
**Moment of pride:** Animal Science Peer Mentor  
**Post-grad plans:** Attending UIUC Veterinary Medical School Fall 2023



**Megan Marchese**  
 East Moline, IL  
 Animal Science  
**Honors Project:** Effects of Transportation Stress



**Alex McDougall**  
 Melvin, IA  
 Agricultural & Life Sciences Education  
 Minor in Agronomy



on the Development of Leaky Gut Syndrome in Cattle

**Moment of pride:** Being an undergraduate research assistant

**Post-grad plans:** Iowa State Veterinary School



**Honors Project:** Lesson Materials for Inclusivity in Career and Technical Education Classrooms

**Moment of pride:** CALS Student Council Awards Committee Chair, Ag Ed Club President

**Post-grad plans:** Ag Teacher/FFA Advisor at Humboldt High School



**Joan Meis**

**Le Mars, IA**

Microbiology

Minor in Emerging Global Diseases

**Participation & Awards:** FHP Leader, Honors Ambassador

**Honors Project:** The Role of Bacteria in Drosophila Immune System Development

**Moment of pride:** Working in Dr. Ryan Smith's Medical Entomology lab

**Post-grad plans:** Masters in Speech Language Pathology



**Bailee Morris**

**Danville, IA**

Animal Science

Minor in Leadership studies

**Honors Project:** An Investigation Into Biofilms and Their Impact on Animal Reproduction

**Moment of pride:** Co-chairing the Midwest Symposium for the Pre-Vet Club and having a successful event with attendees from 6 different states

**Post-grad plans:** Veterinary school at Iowa State University



**Sydney Paris**

**Mansfield, IL**

Microbiology

**Participation & Awards:** Honors Peer Advisor

**Honors Project:** Improving Resources for Domestic Abuse Survivors within Iowa State University and in the Ames Community

**Moment of pride:** Receiving the Wallace E Barron All-University Senior Award

**Post-grad plans:** Veterinary school at Cornell University



**Elizabeth Parra**

**Estero, FL**

Animal Science

**Participation & Awards:** FHP Leader

**Honors Project:** Measuring the Presence of Neutralizing Antibodies to Determine the Efficacy of a PRRSV Subunit Vaccine

**Moment of pride:** Working on research with Dr. Suzanne Millman to improve the lives of laying hens

**Post-grad plans:** University of Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine



**Gale Prow-Miele**

**Phoenix**

Biology (AGLS)

Minor in Animal Science

**Honors Project:** Ace Project

**Moment of pride:** Being a part of the Ace Project and training my own service dog

**Post-grad plans:** Work as a lab technician for a year and then start a master's in animal nutrition



**Kseniya Ratneva**

**Buffalo Grove, IL**

Animal Science

Minor in Biology

**Participation & Awards:** FHP Leader

**Honors Project:** Inside A Dog's Mind

**Moment of pride:** Being an FHP Leader and working with the service dogs in-training through the ACE project

**Post-grad plans:** Attending UW Madison School of Veterinary Medicine to pursue mixed animal vet medicine



**Jordan Rindels**

**Rockford, IL**

Animal Science



**Carlie Seufferer**

**Jewell, IA**

Biology (AGLS)



Minor in General Business

**Participation & Awards:** FHP Leader, FHP Undergraduate Assistant

**Honors Project:** Improving Animal Welfare Through Outreach

**Moment of pride:** Being a UA for the Honors Program! It was amazing to help grow and rebuild the community post-COVID and is something I will always be proud of.

**Post-grad plans:** Pursuing a PhD in Nutritional Sciences at the University of Illinois Urbana Champaign



**Honors Project:** Benefits of Pacemakers in Patients with Diagnoses Other Than Arrhythmias

**Moment of pride:** Involvement with Kappa Delta Sorority and serving as an Army National Guard medic while also a full-time student

**Post-grad plans:** Medical School



**Elizabeth Smith**

**Waterloo, IA**

Environmental Science (AGLS)

Minor in Sustainability

**Honors Project:** Developing Techniques for Improving Rooting Volume in Kamuli District, Uganda

**Moment of pride:** Interning with the Office of Sustainability since my sophomore year

**Post-grad plans:** Pursuing a dual master's program in Community & Regional Planning and Sustainable Agriculture at Iowa State



**Kristin Van Buren**

**Loretto, MN**

Animal Science

**Honors Project:** Factsheets On Pitbulls and Expectations When Adopting from an Animal Shelter

**Moment of pride:** Graduating Summa Cum Laude

**Post-grad plans:** Currently in the job search process



**Lilly Welsh**

**Epworth, IA**

Environmental Science (AGLS), Global Resource Systems

Minor in Sustainability

**Participation & Awards:** FHP Leader

**Honors Project:** Using Black Walnut Tree Rings as an Indicator of Water Table Levels

**Moment of pride:** Interning at an agricultural cooperative in Spain

**Post-grad plans:** Working as a Water Resources Coordinator at HDR in Des Moines



**Erin Zeka**

**Fort Dodge, IA**

Biology (AGLS)

**Honors Project:** Effects of Singing on Spatiotemporal Parameters During Complex Walking Tasks

**Moment of pride:** Being involved in Dr. Stegemoller's research lab since starting through the First-Year Honors Mentor Program

**Post-grad plans:** Working in a research lab while deciding on a graduate school program

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## Ivy College of Business



**Ellie Braksiek**

**Cedar Rapids, IA**

Accounting, Marketing

**Honors Project:** Importance of Financial Literacy in our Education System

**Moment of pride:** Finishing all the requirements for the Honors Program and my involvement in the Ivy College of Business

**Post-grad plans:** Position with PwC



**Morgan Hawkins**

**Iowa City, IA**

Management, Entrepreneurship

Minor in Psychology

**Participation & Awards:** FHP Leader

**Honors Project:** The Impacts of Gender-Based Language

**Moment of pride:** Serving as the student marshal for the Ivy College of Business at the graduation ceremony

**Post-grad plans:** Sales District Leader for PepsiCo



**Alison Hendrix**

Sioux Falls, SD

Marketing

**Honors Project:** Orphanage Trafficking

**Moment of pride:** Being selected as one of the Outstanding Senior Marketing Students

**Post-grad plans:** Marketing research internship and Kent Corporation



**Kayla McCormick**

Steward, IL

Accounting

Minor in Agricultural Business

**Honors Project:** Experience of Current and Aspiring Certified Public Accountants (CPAs)

**Moment of pride:** Helping new students transition to Iowa State in my roles as a Cyclone Aide and Business Learning Team Peer Mentor

**Post-grad plans:** Iowa State MAcc Program



**Sydney Pantini**

Creston, IA

Marketing, Management

**Participation & Awards:** UHP Grant Recipient

**Honors Project:** Perceptions of Warmth and Credibility of Virtual Assistants

**Moment of pride:** Receiving an University Honors Program research grant

**Post-grad plans:** Master's in higher education student affairs at Iowa State



**Jillian Schulte**

Keota, IA

Marketing

Minor in Management, Sales Certificate

**Honors Project:** Panic at the Grocery Store! What is Panic Buying, and How Does it Affect You as a Consumer?

**Moment of pride:** Winning the MKT 342 Pella Sales Competition and being named an outstanding senior in marketing

**Post-grad plans:** HNI Developmental Training Program



**Elizabeth Voegeli**

McCook Lake, SD

Finance, Management

Minor in Apparel, Merchandising, & Design

**Honors Project:** The Negative Impacts of Destructive Leadership on the Individual and the Organization

**Moment of pride:** Completing my research project

**Post-grad plans:** To be determined!



**Lauryn Woerdeman**

Ankeny, IA

Management

Minor in Sociology

**Honors Project:** The Psychological Contract: Iowa State and COVID

**Moment of pride:** Graduating in three years and studying abroad

**Post-grad plans:** Working as an associate project manager for Turnberry Solutions in Des Moines, IA

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## College of Design



**Brandon Edwards**

Peoria, IL

Architecture Professional Degree

Minor in Spanish

**Participation & Awards:** Mentor Grant Recipient

**Honors Project:** Quantifying the Bubble: From



**Lucy Hawblitzel**

Western Springs, IL

Graphic Design

**Honors Project:** Creating an Information Driven Packaging Design for Kombucha

**Moment of pride:** Making my own Kombucha brand and being on the design social club

Analog Form Finding to Digital Representation

**Moment of pride:** Studying abroad in Italy and passing Comedy College

**Post-grad plans:** Working in Industry

executive team

**Post-grad plans:** Working as a Visual Design Analyst at Avana in Chicago



**Megan Kavlock**

**West Des Moines, IA**

Architecture Professional Degree

Minor in Horticulture

**Honors Project:** Wayfinding and Branding The Great American Rail Trail

**Moment of pride:** Becoming a certified yoga instructor and teaching at State Gym

**Post-grad plans:** Working as a Landscape Designer at Artis in Austin, TX



**Ryann Kullmann**

**Upper Dublin, PA**

Industrial Design

Minor in General Business

**Participation & Awards:** FHP Leader

**Honors Project:** The Necessary Interaction Between Designers and Engineers

**Moment of pride:** Being a Salt Company leader, as well as a peer mentor for design students.

**Post-grad plans:** Salt Coordinator at Cornerstone Church of Ames



**Lindsey Reyes**

**Mahtomedi, MN**

Art: Integrated Studio Arts

**Participation & Awards:** UHP Grant Recipient

**Honors Project:** On Moonlight's Edge

**Moment of pride:** My growth as an artist

**Post-grad plans:** Applying for a TA position teaching art through Artist Year



**Kalie Sigman**

**Dubuque, IA**

Interior Design

Minor in Urban Studies

**Honors Project:** Architectural Reflections: A History of Maltese Nobility During an Age of British Influence

**Moment of pride:** Forming a close relationship with an admired faculty member who has helped with advice, research, and making connections outside of the university

**Post-grad plans:** Working as an interior designer with Hirsch Bedner Associates in San Francisco



**Samuel Torrens**

**Schaumburg, IL**

Architecture Professional Degree

Minor in Urban Studies

**Honors Project:** Is 3D Printed Concrete an Economical Construction Method?

**Post-grad plans:** Architectural Designer at ASK Studio in Des Moines, IA



**Kyra Troendle**

**Madrid, IA**

Community & Regional Planning

**Honors Project:** Integrating Nature Education and Park Play in Small Towns

**Moment of pride:** Being a student ambassador for the College of Design

**Post-grad plans:** Master of Historic Preservation at the University of Colorado Denver

## College of Engineering



### Nathan Butler

Riverside, IA

Mechanical Engineering

Minor in Computer Science, Cyber-Physical Systems

**Honors Project:** Systems Engineering Toolbox Development within Context of Lunar Robot

**Moment of pride:** My time with the Cardinal Space Mining Club - it's been very rewarding to see everyone's hard work pay off over the years

**Post-grad plans:** Obtain my M.S. in Robotics



### Matthew Decker

Philo, IL

Civil Engineering

Minor in Economics

**Participation & Awards:** FHP Leader

**Honors Project:** Synopsis on the Affects of CSB-18-167

**Moment of pride:** CCEE Undergraduate Researcher-Best Undergraduate Research Project

**Post-grad plans:** Project Engineer with Alberici Constructors-Hampton VA



### Adam Eichhorn

Ames, IA

Materials Engineering

Minor in Spanish Language and Culture for Professions, Nondestructive Evaluation

**Participation & Awards:** FHP Leader, Mentor Grant Recipient, UHP Grant Recipient

**Honors Project:** The Effects of pH and Surfactant on the Stability of BaTiO<sub>3</sub> Nanoinks

**Moment of pride:** 1st Trombone Captain in the Cyclone Marching Band

**Post-grad plans:** Attending University of Michigan - Ann Arbor for Materials Science & Engineering



### Jaden Forde

Denver, IA

Software Engineering

Minor in Cyber Security Engineering

**Honors Project:** Visualization of Engineering Statics Concepts to Assist Student Learning

**Moment of pride:** Leading the Robotics Club to compete at the Autonomous Snowplow competition in Minneapolis and placing 5th

**Post-grad plans:** Software Engineer at John Deere



### Arvid Gustafson

Iowa City, IA

Software Engineering

Minor in Mathematics, Economics

**Honors Project:** A Federated Machine Learning System that Protects Privacy and Defends against Poisoning Attacks

**Moment of pride:** Involvement in the Web Development Club

**Post-grad plans:** Position with Federated Mutual Insurance in Owatonna, MN



### Abigail Hammer

Bettendorf, IA

Aerospace Engineering

Minor in Computer Science

**Participation & Awards:** Mentor Grant Recipient, Student Enrichment Grant Recipient

**Honors Project:** Exploiting Assume-Guarantee Contract Patterns to Optimize the Discovery of Design-Space Dependencies

**Moment of pride:** Published author; student employee of the year; internships at NASA, Boeing, and Collins Aerospace; and head peer mentor for Aerospace Engineering

**Post-grad plans:** Carnegie Mellon University, Computer Science PhD program



### Khanh Hoang

Des Moines, IA

Aerospace Engineering

**Participation & Awards:** Mentor Grant Recipient, UHP Grant Recipient



### Joshua Holtzleiter

Burnsville, MN

Mechanical Engineering

Minor in Spanish

**Participation & Awards:** Mentor Grant Recipient.



**Honors Project:** Autonomous Flight for a Quadcopter Drone

**Moment of pride:** Being a member of the Make to Innovate: Boeing Experimental Flight Development team

**Post-grad plans:** MS in Aerospace Engineering at Iowa State University



Honors Ambassador

**Honors Project:** Development and Characterization of a Condensation-based Device for Collecting Aerosolized Nanoparticles

**Moment of pride:** Obtaining a leadership position in the Supplemental Instruction Program

**Post-grad plans:** Working in Industry



**Shawn Husgen**

Rochester, MN

Chemical Engineering

Minor in Biomedical Engineering

**Participation & Awards:** FHP Leader, Mentor Grant Recipient

**Honors Project:** Reducing the Size of Polyanhydride Nanoparticles for Sustained Release Kinetics

**Moment of pride:** Member of CBE Department's Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee

**Post-grad plans:** Consultant Engineer at FM Global



**Mira Johnson**

Huxley, IA

Civil Engineering

**Participation & Awards:** Mentor Grant Recipient

**Honors Project:** Stretchable Capacitive Strain Sensors for Civil Engineering Applications

**Moment of pride:** The connections and friends that I've made in ASLE

**Post-grad plans:** Structural Engineer at AECOM in Des Moines, Iowa



**Andrew Larkin**

Council Bluffs, IA

Biological Systems Engineering

Minor in None

**Participation & Awards:** FHP Leader

**Honors Project:** Wall-E Trash Towers: An Exploration of Modern Day Waste Production

**Moment of pride:** Leader of Philanthropy Committee

**Post-grad plans:** Seeking a position with an environmental consulting company



**Aline Milach Teixeira**

Johnston, IA

Chemical Engineering

Minor in Biochemistry

**Participation & Awards:** FHP Leader, FHP Undergraduate Assistant

**Honors Project:** Investigating the Septu Antiphage Defense System

**Moment of pride:** Being an FHP leader and Honors UA (and Emily's Snapchat BFF)

**Post-grad plans:** PhD in chemical engineering at the California Institute of Technology (CalTech)



**Andrew Mord**

Cedar Falls, IA

Mechanical Engineering

Minor in Music Technology

**Participation & Awards:** Mentor Grant Recipient

**Honors Project:** Concentration-dependent Structural Evolution of Electrostatically-levitated Sodium Sulfate Solution Drop Using in Situ Micro Raman Spectroscopy

**Moment of pride:** Releasing my own album and interning for NASA!

**Post-grad plans:** Working for NASA in Virginia this summer and then at John Deere



**Isaac Petersen**

Cedar Rapids, IA

Mechanical Engineering

**Participation & Awards:** Mentor Grant Recipient

**Honors Project:** Design Exploration for a Fully Articulated Human Finger Model of Hand Prosthetics

**Moment of pride:** My four years of involvement with the Cardinal Space Mining Club and leading the team to win 2nd place at the NASA Lunabotics Competition as the systems lead

**Post-grad plans:**





**Connor Ryan**

**Underwood, IA**

Electrical Engineering

**Honors Project:** Software-Defined Radio Imaging Radar

**Moment of pride:**

**Post-grad plans:** Electrical Research Engineer at Lockheed Martin Advanced Technology Laboratories



**John Scalise**

**Mequon WI**

Mechanical Engineering

**Honors Project:** Drivetrain Design of a Lunar Mining Robot

**Moment of pride:** Space Mining Club Mechanical lead

**Post-grad plans:** Mechanical design engineering at PAR Systems in the Twin Cities



**William Sibilski**

**Ramsey, MN**

Aerospace Engineering

Minor in Astronomy & Leadership Studies

**Participation & Awards:** FHP Leader, Mentor Grant Recipient

**Honors Project:** To Leave or To Stay

**Moment of pride:** Joining the Acacia Fraternity, which has really affected my time here at Iowa State

**Post-grad plans:** Systems Test Engineer with Raytheon Missile and Defense in Tucson, AZ



**Katie Wyatt**

**West Des Moines, IA**

Industrial Engineering

Minor in General Business

**Participation & Awards:** Mentor Grant Recipient

**Honors Project:** Predicting Urgency of Echocardiograms at Mayo Clinic for Improved Scheduling

**Moment of pride:** My time as a Cyclone Aide and receiving second place in an international simulation competition for IE 413

**Post-grad plans:** Business Process Analyst at Principal Financial Group



**William Zogg**

**Blue Grass, IA**

Computer Engineering

**Honors Project:** Visualization of Machine Learning Accelerator

**Moment of pride:** Serving as tenor sax captain in the Cyclone Marching Band

**Post-grad plans:** Pursuing an M.S. in Computer Engineering at Iowa State



**Joe Zuber**

**Marengo, IA**

Computer Engineering

**Honors Project:** Understanding the environment with LIDAR

**Moment of pride:** Student Government Engineering Senator 2021-22

**Post-grad plans:** Pursuing an M.S. in Computer Engineering at Iowa State

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**College of Human Sciences**



**Nayeli Acosta-Aviles**

**Santa Isabel, Puerto Rico**

Apparel, Merchandising, and Design

Minor in Entrepreneurship and Textile Design

**Honors Project:** Boriquen

**Moment of pride:** Design Director for The Fashion Show

**Post-grad plans:** Still being decided



**Brooklyn Bakke**

**Carroll, IA**

Kinesiology & Health

Minor in Spanish

**Honors Project:** Taking Action Against Diabetes in Native Americans: A Systematic Review

**Moment of pride:** My honors project research and class presentation

**Post-grad plans:** Chiropractic School at Parker University in Dallas, TX



**Alli Gustafson**



**Sudhan Kifaul**



**Ann Gustafson**

**Ankeny, IA**

Elementary Education

Minor in Learning Technologies

**Honors Project:** Effectiveness of Literacy Curriculum in K-2 Education

**Moment of pride:** Serving as a Technology Integration Specialist at Zearing Elementary

**Post-grad plans:** Teaching in an elementary classroom and being the Girls Tennis coach at Ankeny Centennial High School



**Sydney Krieger**

**Hastings, MN**

Event Management

Minor in Spanish

**Honors Project:** The Ugly Truth of Imperfect Foods; The Effect of Undesirable Food Qualities on a Consumer's Intention to Purchase

**Moment of pride:** Getting to perform at Carnegie Hall with the Iowa State Singers

**Post-grad plans:** Corporate events management position in the Twin Cities



**Priscilla Lee**

**Schaumburg IL**

Kinesiology & Health

**Honors Project:** Working Memory Difference Between Monolingual and Bilingual Learners

**Moment of pride:** Presenting my research at the state capitol

**Post-grad plans:** Applying to medical school



**Erin Lowe**

**West Des Moines, IA**

Elementary Education

Minor in Learning Technologies

**Honors Project:** Supporting K-3 Students Who Struggle in Mathematics

**Moment of pride:** My academic accomplishments, being Cyclone Alley codirector, and service on the Student Alumni Leadership Council executive committee

**Post-grad plans:** 3rd Grade Teacher at Hillis Elementary in Des Moines, IA



**Audrey McMillan**

**Victoria, MN**

Apparel, Merchandising, and Design, World Languages & Cultures

Minor in General Business

**Honors Project:** Consumer-Driven Strategies for Increasing Innovate 1858's Market Penetration and Long-Term Brand Reach

**Moment of pride:** Role as a Managerial Producer for The Fashion Show

**Post-grad plans:** Assistant Merchant for Abercrombie & Fitch at their Global Home Office



**Alex Mohr**

**Denison, IA**

Kinesiology & Health

Minor in Nutrition

**Honors Project:** The Pressure of Returning Athletes to Play Post-Injury

**Moment of pride:** Graduating Summa Cum Laude

**Post-grad plans:** Attending physical therapy school at DMU in Des Moines



**Hana Qamhieh**

**Ames, IA**

Kinesiology & Health

**Honors Project:** The Effects of Group Therapeutic Boxing on Mobility in Persons with Parkinson's Disease

**Moment of pride:** Undergraduate research in the neurophys lab

**Post-grad plans:** Medical school at Des Moines University



**Emma Roush**

**Keswick, IA**

Kinesiology & Health

**Honors Project:** Development of a Functional Myoelectric Prosthetic Device from a 3D Printed Hand Prototype

**Moment of pride:** Being involved on the bionics research team with Dr. Haen

**Post-grad plans:** Physician's Assistant School



**Yara Salti**



**Megan Sapita**



**Ames, IA**

Kinesiology & Health

**Honors Project:** Effects of Group Therapeutic Boxing on Motor Symptoms for People with Parkinson's

**Moment of pride:** Being a peer mentor for the freshman Kinesiology learning community

**Post-grad plans:** Working as a Patient Care Tech at Mary Greeley Medical Center during my gap year for medical school



**Sycamore, IL**

Kinesiology & Health

Minor in Psychology

**Honors Project:** The Effects of Outreach Groups on the Overall Health of Person with Parkinson's Disease

**Moment of pride:** My honors project research with Dr. Elizabeth Stegemoller

**Post-grad plans:** Attending Physical Therapy School



**Emma Schluttenhofer**

Clarion, IA

Elementary Education

Minor in Endorsements in Reading and Language Arts

**Honors Project:** Critical Literacy for Elementary Children

**Moment of pride:** Completing the Honors Program

**Post-grad plans:** Find a teaching job in a small rural district



**Pauline Scribano**

Norwalk, IA

Nutritional Science (H Sci)

Minor in Microbiology

**Participation & Awards:** UHP Grant Recipient

**Honors Project:** Resistant Starch and DNA Methylation in Diabetic Rats

**Moment of pride:** Academic achievements

**Post-grad plans:** Study abroad in Japan and then starting work



**Jennessa Sharratt**

Fort Eustis, VA

Dietetics (H Sci)

Minor in None

**Honors Project:** The Use of Technology to Deliver Virtual Grocery Store Tours

**Moment of pride:** Outstanding Dietetic Student Award in 2022 from the Iowa Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics

**Post-grad plans:** Masters of Clinical Nutrition at University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics



**Sura Smadi**

Ames, IA

Kinesiology & Health, Music (Curriculum)

**Participation & Awards:** FHP Leader, UHP Grant Recipient, Honors Ambassador

**Honors Project:** Salivary Cortisol Levels of Marching Band Members

**Moment of pride:** Leadership position in marching band, being an FHP leader, completing two unrelated degrees, and continuing to be involved music after high school while growing my love for science

**Post-grad plans:** Applying to medical school and spending the year working in the health field and traveling



**Mackenzie Thompson**

Grimes, IA

Kinesiology & Health

Minor in Psychology

**Honors Project:** Complex Gait and Singing in Healthy Young Adults

**Moment of pride:** Earning the Germaine G. Guiot Senior Award

**Post-grad plans:** PhD in Occupational Therapy at Colorado State University



**Caroline Wallace**

Eagan, MN

Apparel, Merchandising, and Design

**Honors Project:** Puppetry as Fashion Communication

**Moment of pride:** Attending and exhibiting at the International Textile and Apparel Association

**Post-grad plans:** Undecided

## College of Liberal Arts & Sciences



### Allison Abel

Byron, IL

Biological/Pre Medical Illustration

Minor in Microbiology

**Participation & Awards:** UHP Grant Recipient

**Honors Project:** 3D Models as a Tool for Learning Dogfish Shark Anatomy: An Analysis of Student Satisfaction

**Moment of pride:** My involvement in the Biological and Premedical Illustration Club

**Post-grad plans:** Scientific Illustrator at iso-form



### Kiernan Adair

Johnston, IA

Genetics (LAS)

Minor in Psychology

**Honors Project:** Role of Gap Junction Proteins on Left-Right Axis Development in Zebrafish

**Moment of pride:** Helping students develop their research projects as a TA in Biology 423L

**Post-grad plans:** Pursuing a Master's Degree in genetic counseling



### Brianna Baker

Kingsley, IA

Psychology

**Honors Project:** Effects of Second Language Learning on Anxiety and Depression

**Moment of pride:**

**Post-grad plans:** Begin my master's program in neuropsychology in the UK



### Jacob Beattie

Pleasant Hill, IA

Mathematics, Computer Science

**Honors Project:** Information, AI, and their Application to Card Games

**Moment of pride:** Successfully earning 2 degrees and being treasurer of the Math Club

**Post-grad plans:** Interning at Kingland



### Claire Beaudry

Cook, MN

Philosophy

Minor in Philosophy and Classical Studies

**Participation & Awards:** FHP Leader, Mentor Grant Recipient

**Honors Project:** The Unpainted and Painted Sculptures of Antiquity

**Moment of pride:** Socrates Scholarship Recipient, Eta Sigma Phi Latin Society

**Post-grad plans:** Find out what I want to be when I grow up!



### Emma Brady

Grayslake, IL

Geology

**Participation & Awards:** FHP Leader, Mentor Grant Recipient

**Honors Project:** Science Hall Display Case Redesign

**Moment of pride:** Marching Band Student Staff Member, Tau Beta Sigma National Band Service Sorority President, and Outstanding Undergraduate Award Recipient in the Geology Department

**Post-grad plans:** Employed with the Applied Geomorphology Lab at Iowa State



### Makenna Brunson

Hagerstown, MD

Psychology, Women's and Gender Studies

**Participation & Awards:** FHP Leader

**Honors Project:** Reachable Minds

**Moment of pride:** Being able to teach FHP twice!



### Kathryn Burns

Dubuque, IA

Political Science, World Languages & Cultures

Minor in Women's and Gender Studies

**Honors Project:** Media and Political Party Polarization

**Moment of pride:** My roles with Kappa Delta Sorority, Student Alumni Leadership Council, and as a Carrie Chapman Catt Legacy of Heroines Scholar

**Post-grad plans:** Work on a campaign



**Gabrielle Finberg**

**St. Ansgar, IA**

Biology (LAS)

Minor in Pharmacology and Toxicology

**Honors Project:** Thermastop rt-PCR Analysis

**Moment of pride:** President of Friends of MSF

**Post-grad plans:** Medical School



**Reece Gardner**

**Mount Pleasant, IA**

Biochemistry

Minor in Pharmacology and Toxicology

**Participation & Awards:** Mentor Grant Recipient

**Honors Project:** Preventing Aspartimide Formation using a Thioimidate as a Protecting Group

**Moment of pride:** Graduating with my sanity left somewhat intact

**Post-grad plans:** Pursuing a PhD in chemistry at the University of Wisconsin-Madison



**Benjamin Goodall**

**Cedar Rapids, IA**

Computer Science, Mathematics

**Honors Project:** Molecular Programming Teaching Tool and Serious Games

**Moment of pride:** Developed a small game for my honors project

**Post-grad plans:** Work for QCI in West Des Moines as a software developer



**Emily Gress**

**Bennington, NE**

Biology (LAS)

Minor in Animal Science

**Participation & Awards:** FHP Leader, Honors Ambassador

**Honors Project:** The Effects of Biological Sex on Heat Stress-Mediated Alterations in Protein Synthesis

**Moment of pride:** My involvement in Best Buddies and the relationships we have been able to facilitate

**Post-grad plans:** Applying to physical therapy school



**Peyton Hamel**

**Littleton, CO**

English

Minor in Biology

**Participation & Awards:** FHP Leader, Mentor Grant Recipient, Outstanding FHP Scholarship Recipient

**Honors Project:** The Modern Retelling of Frankenstein

**Moment of pride:** Research fellowship in Idaho for molecular biology

**Post-grad plans:** Developing a comprehensive short story writing portfolio



**Jamie Hefley**

**Rochester, IL**

Biological/Pre Medical Illustration

**Honors Project:** Illustrations for DNR Water Trail Interpretation Panels

**Moment of pride:** President of the biological/pre-medical illustration club

**Post-grad plans:** Painting murals for the Humane Society in Oahu, Hawaii, and applying for graduate school



**Nethmi Hewage**

**Matara, Sri Lanka**

Chemistry

Minor in Mathematics

**Honors Project:** Synthesis, Crystal Structure, and Transport Properties of Ag<sub>6</sub>Ge<sub>10</sub>P<sub>12</sub>-xAs<sub>x</sub>

**Moment of pride:** Being named a Goldwater



**Evan Hilton**

**Des Moines, IA**

Computer Science, Bioinformatics & Computational Biology

**Honors Project:** For a Better Vote: Assessing Alternative Voting Systems

**Moment of pride:** My performance on the



**Moment of pride:** Being named a Goldwater Scholar

**Post-grad plans:** Chemistry PhD at Columbia University, New York City



Putnam Mathematical Competitions

**Post-grad plans:** Job search!



**Alex Huynh**

**Des Moines, IA**

Computer Science, Mathematics

**Honors Project:** Investigating Skin Cancer Diagnosis with Machine Learning: A Comparative Study of Feature Selection and Feature Extraction Techniques

**Moment of pride:** Graduating with a 4.0 GPA, securing an internship every summer, and passing some crazy hard classes

**Post-grad plans:** Software Engineer at Veeva Systems



**Francesca Johnson**

**Harper, IA**

Public Relations

Minor in Leadership Studies and Speech Communication

**Honors Project:** Crafting Your Personal Brand

**Moment of pride:** Serving as president of ISU's Public Relations Student Society of America

**Post-grad plans:** Human Resources Specialist at Baker Group in Ankeny



**Abigail Keiser**

**Cedar Falls, IA**

Biology (LAS)

Minor in Spanish

**Participation & Awards:** FHP Leader, UHP Grant Recipient

**Honors Project:** The Effects of Footwear and Barefoot Conditions on Balance Performance in Slacklining

**Moment of pride:** Being a member of Phi Beta Kappa during my Junior year and the scope of what I've accomplish: history, translation, and economics courses in the Spanish language; research both in and outside of my field of study, including in printmaking design

**Post-grad plans:** Physical Therapy School



**Zoey McEvoy**

**West Des Moines, IA**

Linguistics, Mathematics

Minor in TESL

**Honors Project:** University Level Spanish Students' Perception of Stop Consonants In-context and Isolation

**Moment of pride:** Becoming president of No Re-Choir-Ment A Cappella and making lifelong friends.

**Post-grad plans:** Teach English in Japan through the JET program



**Emma Miller**

**Iowa City, IA**

Genetics (LAS)

Minor in Psychology

**Honors Project:** Testing the Impact of tp53R216W on Proliferation

**Moment of pride:** Being a Genetics Peer Mentor and helping incoming students

**Post-grad plans:** Genetic Counseling



**Delaney Murphy**

**Carson, IA**

Criminal Justice, Psychology

Minor in Sociology

**Honors Project:** Consent on a College Campus: Do People Recognize It?

**Moment of pride:** My honors project research conducted with Dr. Bouffard

**Post-grad plans:** Working while preparing for graduate school



**Rebekah Muta**

**Ankeny, Iowa**

Psychology, Criminal Justice

Minor in French, Political Science, Sociology, Philosophy, and Women and Gender Studies



**Erika Nelson**

**Cedar Rapids, IA**

Chemistry, Microbiology

**Participation & Awards:** Mentor Grant Recipient



**Participation & Awards:** FHP Leader

**Honors Project:** The Different Effects of Incarceration on Older Populations

**Moment of pride:** Being in Phi Beta Kappa and Cardinal Key Honor Societies

**Post-grad plans:** Law school (institution to be determined)



**Honors Project:** Investigation into Morphological Characteristics, Host Range, and Viral Infection Parameters of *Erwinia persicina*

**Moment of pride:** Phi Beta Kappa Honor Society

**Post-grad plans:** Research Associate for Kemin in Des Moines



**Eva Newland**

**Norwalk, IA**

Journalism & Mass Communication

Minor in Genetics

**Participation & Awards:** FHP Leader

**Honors Project:** The Proposal Process: How Writers Get Their Start

**Moment of pride:** Having two original classes created based on my ideas

**Post-grad plans:** Attending law school to study medical ethics



**Anna Olson**

**Boone, IA**

Journalism & Mass Communication, Political Science

Minor in Women and gender studies

**Honors Project:** The Teaching of Women's History in Iowa High Schools

**Moment of pride:** The Hugh S. Sidey Journalism Award, which included the opportunity to attend the White House Correspondents' Dinner in Washington DC. I also interned in the U.S. Senate and for the Iowa Attorney General.

**Post-grad plans:** Drake Law School to study public interest or media law



**Shawna O'Malley**

**Iowa City, IA**

Biology (LAS)

Minor in Genetics and Economics

**Honors Project:** Genotype Me

**Moment of pride:** My involvement in Pre-Dental Club and my development of a new lab module being implemented into the curriculum at ISU

**Post-grad plans:** Attending Dental School at Harvard School of Dental Medicine in Boston



**Matthew Pealer**

**Cedar Rapids, IA**

Political Science

Minor in History

**Participation & Awards:** UHP Grant Recipient

**Honors Project:** Examining the Relationship between Misinformation and Social Dominance Orientation

**Post-grad plans:** Gap year, after which I plan to attend graduate school



**Natalia Rios**

**San Juan, Puerto Rico**

Political Science, Public Relations

**Honors Project:** Rural Legal Deserts in the U.S.

**Moment of pride:** Harry S. Truman Scholarship and restarting the Political Science Club

**Post-grad plans:** Intern at the Pentagon (Department of Defense)



**Feben Ruscitti**

**Oak Lawn, IL**

Anthropology, Interdisciplinary Studies

Minor in Geology

**Honors Project:** The Effect of Bone Particle Size on the Accuracy of Stable Isotope Analysis in the ISU Paleoecology Lab

**Moment of pride:** National Liberal Arts Honors Society (Phi Beta Kappa) and National Classical Studies Honor Society (Eta Sigma Phi)

**Post-grad plans:** Doing archaeological excavations at Teotihuacan before beginning work in Cultural Resource Management



**Lydia Samuelson**

**Des Moines, IA**



**Julia Sarcletti**

**Waconia, MN**



**English, Technical Communication**

Minor in Biology

**Participation & Awards:** FHP Leader, Mentor Grant Recipient

**Honors Project:** Honey Bee Diversity

**Moment of pride:** Writing a full-length silent theater production that will soon be performed on a weekly basis

**Post-grad plans:** Production Director at a Summer Camp



**Curriculum & Instruction, Sociology (LAS)**

Minor in Leadership Studies and Political Science

**Honors Project:** Plea Bargaining and the Right to Trial by Jury

**Moment of pride:** My time spent as a section leader of the color guard in the Iowa State marching band

**Post-grad plans:** Attending the University of North Dakota School of Law



**Grant Schnoebelen**

**Cedar Rapids, IA**

Economics (LAS), Political Science

Minor in None

**Participation & Awards:** FHP Leader

**Honors Project:** Impact of Recessions and Public Spending on the Price of Road Construction

**Moment of pride:** My honors project research

**Post-grad plans:** Position with the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) to work as a Financial Institution Specialist



**Nicholas Serck**

**Norwalk, IA**

Chemistry

Minor in Animal Ecology

**Participation & Awards:** FHP Leader, FHP Undergraduate Assistant, Mentor Grant Recipient

**Honors Project:** The Synthesis and Study of Planar Chiral Macrocyclic Metacyclophanes

**Moment of pride:** My time as a Chemistry Peer Mentor, an FHP Leader and an undergraduate assistant

**Post-grad plans:** Attending the University of Washington in Seattle to pursue a Ph.D. in chemistry



**Matt Shafer**

**Solon, IA**

Biology (LAS)

Minor in Microbiology

**Participation & Awards:** FHP Leader, Mentor Grant Recipient, Outstanding FHP Scholarship Recipient

**Honors Project:** Creating Curriculum to Inspire Young Scientists

**Moment of pride:** Receiving the Stupka Leadership Award for my involvement with the Stupka Symposium

**Post-grad plans:** ISU Master of Arts in Teaching program



**Ashlan Simpson**

**West Des Moines, IA**

Statistics, Mathematics

Minor in Data Science

**Participation & Awards:** Mentor Grant Recipient

**Honors Project:** Two-Stage Approach to Handwriting Analysis in Forensic Evidence

**Moment of pride:** Phi Beta Kappa Edward Allen Scholar, Cardinal Key Honors Society, president of A Novel Idea, and Treasurer of the Economics Club

**Post-grad plans:** Statistics PhD at University of Michigan



**Joslyn Sperry**

**Norwalk, IA**

Anthropology

Minor in Classical Studies, Religious Studies, Event Management

**Honors Project:** Religious Analysis of Teotihuacan and the Huichol through Symbolic Art

**Moment of pride:** Being invited to join Phi Beta Kappa

**Post-grad plans:** Gap year prior to doing a



**Kennedy Spurlin**

**Hartford, SD**

Biology (LAS)

**Honors Project:** Designing an Optimal mRNA Vaccine for HPIV-3

**Moment of pride:** Leadership in Student for St. Jude, Dance Marathon, and NCORE-ISCORE program

**Post-grad plans:** Still in the works





**Alexis Steinhoff**

Sparta, WI

Biology (LAS), Mathematics

**Participation & Awards:** Mentor Grant Recipient

**Honors Project:** Alternative Splicing of A and D Homeolog Genes during Fiber Development in *Gossypium Hirsutum*

**Moment of pride:** 2 published research articles and 2 others in preparation

**Post-grad plans:** University of Pennsylvania Perelman School of Medicine Ph.D. program in Genetics and Epigenetics



**Dana Thacker**

Johnston, IA

Data Science, Mathematics

Minor in Music

**Honors Project:** Data Analysis of Nursing Program Research Project

**Moment of pride:** 4 years in the Cyclone Marching Band and my leadership role in the alto saxophone section

**Post-grad plans:** Full time position as a data wrangler at Wellmark Blue Cross Blue Shield



**Elise Thrapp**

Bondurant, IA

Geology, Anthropology

Minor in Geographic Information Science

**Honors Project:** Exploitation of Birds by Late Prehistoric Villagers in Central Iowa

**Moment of pride:** Being inducted into the Phi Beta Kappa National Honor Society

**Post-grad plans:** Work for a couple years before applying to graduate school



**Grace Tracey**

Marion, IA

Anthropology, Interdisciplinary Studies

**Participation & Awards:** F21

**Honors Project:** The Feminine Perspective of Death: Classical Greece

**Moment of pride:** Vice President of Operations at my sorority Kappa Alpha Theta

**Post-grad plans:** University of Nebraska-Lincoln Law School



**Hannah Van Sickle**

Cedar Falls, IA

English, Linguistics

Minor in Technical Communications

**Participation & Awards:** Mentor Grant Recipient

**Honors Project:** Reshaping the Sketch Handbook

**Moment of pride:** Service as the Poetry Board Editor for Sketch, the student literary journal, for several years

**Post-grad plans:** Hoping to find a position connected to technical writing or writing center work



**Stephanie Warnstadt**

Sioux City, IA

History, International Studies

Minor in Middle Eastern Studies and International Agriculture

**Honors Project:** Creating Relevant and Relatable Literature for College Students Learning Arabic

**Moment of pride:** Receiving the Excellence in Arabic award

**Post-grad plans:** Attending Law School at Florida International University



**Kathryn Wittrock**

Urbandale, IA

Biochemistry, Microbiology

Minor in French

**Honors Project:** Animal Nutritionists at Iowa State University

**Moment of pride:** Receiving the Wallace E. Barron All-University Senior Award

**Post-grad plans:** University of Iowa Carver



**Nicole Young**

Council Bluffs, IA

English

Minor in Psychology, Technical Communication

**Participation & Awards:** FHP Leader

**Honors Project:** Lineage: A Horror Collection

**Moment of pride:** Receiving Pearl Hogrefe Creative Writing Junior and Senior Scholarships

**Post-grad plans:** Working as a Production

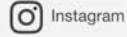
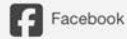
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