

First-Year Honors Program

**Learn Your
Leaders**

2024

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Name: Lilly Albright
Hometown: Des Moines, Iowa
Major(s): Architecture
Minor(s):



What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

I enjoy spending my free time drawing, listening to music, or going on walks on the trails.

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

Someone organized, calm and kind.

What is your dream job?

My dream job would be something that allows me to travel around the world.

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

Will fall asleep anywhere if tired enough.

What is one item on your bucket list?

Visit every continent.

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

I would want to live in Europe, or just anywhere were more walkable.

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?

I enjoy fresh fruit (usually pineapple) or a salted Nut Roll.

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

I would jump into a pool of whipped cream; it seems very fluffy.

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

My favorite TV show is Parks and Rec.

What is a fun fact about you?

I am a huge croc fan and probably wear them too often.

What is your favorite decade of music?

I like the early 2000s-2015s type of pop music.

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Name: Henry Allard

Hometown: West Des Moines

Major(s): Mechanical Engineering

Minor(s): Economics and Philosophy



What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

I really enjoying writing code on a variety of personal projects, playing video games or teaching myself new piano pieces.

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

My ideal co-leader is unique, determined and intelligent.

What is your dream job?

I'd really like to work at NASA or own my own business

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?



Will say yes way too much; also, will probably nerd out about something.

What is one item on your bucket list?

Publishing a video game

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

I would really like to live in Germany, because it would both allow me to travel Europe and it is also quite known for its engineering.

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?

PEANUT BUTTER

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

I want to dive into a pool of Shakespearean poetry.

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

It changes depending on what I watch or read. Right now, I really like the Empyrean series by Rebecca Yarros.

What is a fun fact about you?

I was the team captain of a sailing team in high school and got a letter for it.

What is your favorite decade of music?

The next one

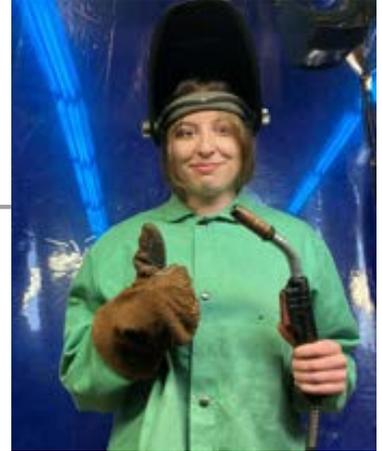
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Name: Katie Allison

Hometown: Lee's Summit, MO

Major(s): Mechanical Engineering

Minor(s): None



What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

I like to hang out with friends, read, and exercise in my free time.

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

My ideal co-leader is organized, hardworking, fun, and has good time management.

What is your dream job?

I would like to work at an engineering firm that works with either aerospace or manufacturing and eventually lead my own projects.

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

I still have decorations from Halloween in my room right now.

What is one item on your bucket list?

I would like to see one of Bill Braun's paintings in person. (His paintings look like they're made of construction paper)

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

I would live in the Outer Banks because I love the beach, and my family vacations there every summer.

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?

My favorite go-to gas station snack is trail mix.

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

I would jump into a pool of noodles.

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

My favorite movie is Top Gun Maverick.

What is a fun fact about you?

One of my hobbies is woodworking.

What is your favorite decade of music?

I really like 80's music.

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Name: Chloe Baker
Hometown: Sioux City, IA
Major(s): Animal Science
Minor(s): N/A



What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

I enjoy playing volleyball, spending time with friends and family, or just doing anything other than homework, especially napping.

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

My ideal co-leader would be responsible, easy-going, optimistic, and organized. I want my co-leader to be a fun person to work with, while also prioritizing the leadership role.

What is your dream job?

I am not completely sure what my dream job is yet, but I know I want to work with and help animals. I also want my job to be different every day and hands-on, because I would hate my life with a “desk job.”

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

Mine would say “dumbest smart person you’ll ever meet.” I am just a little slower with common sense than others at times that my friends and family usually make fun of me for.

What is one item on your bucket list?

One of my bucket list items is to do some type of study abroad in Hawaii. What better time to do that than my college years?

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

I like living in Iowa because I like the slower pace of life and being able to get anywhere in the course of 20 minutes, however, I have considered Montana or North Carolina as I hope to own my own ranch one day and both of these states are beautiful.

What’s your favorite go-to gas station snack?

My favorite go-to gas station snack is either the original Dot’s Homestyle Pretzels or Junior Mints.

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

I would jump into a pool full of cotton candy.

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

My favorite show is either The Office or Reno 911.

What is a fun fact about you?

For some reason, I sneeze every time I walk out into sunlight, which I think I get from my dad because he does it too.

What is your favorite decade of music?

I would say my favorite decade of music is probably 2010’s pop music, because that’s what I grew up with and it gives me strong nostalgia.

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Name: Nick Barber

Hometown: Waverly, Iowa

Major(s): Aerospace Engineering

Minor(s): Computer Science, Mathematics



What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

When I'm not sitting in a study room, I love bouldering, Xbox, playing the piano, singing, and binging the occasional TV show.

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

I'm looking for someone who approaches the job with optimism, has a good sense of organization, can communicate well individually and to a group, has confidence in their authority, and is willing to have fun.

What is your dream job?

Like most Aero majors, my dream job is definitely a position at NASA. Being an astronaut is my final career goal, but I'll take what I can get.

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

Serial Procrastinator

What is one item on your bucket list?

Skydiving! It seems like the ultimate thrill sport, and I can't wait to try it out.

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

Monaco. Amazing vistas, incredible weather, and close enough to go pretty much anywhere in Europe in just a few hours. Plus, at least a few of the super-wealthy yacht owners are probably willing to host guests for a weekend.

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?

Honestly, the original Cheez-Its are hard to beat. Great taste and some nostalgia make them perfect for a road trip.

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

I think Brisk lemonade would be perfect for a pool.

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

Picking my number one TV show definitely isn't easy, but I think Black Mirror on Netflix is absolutely one of my favorites. While it is basically just a collection of mini-movies, the concepts and storylines are (almost) all amazing and I'm convinced every one deserves a full production.

What is a fun fact about you?

I'm a pilot! As of last September, I'm certified to fly small aircraft pretty much anywhere.

What is your favorite decade of music?

While I do love the modern rap scene and quite a few classic songs from the 70s, I think 2010s pop hits have my heart.

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Name: Michael Berg
Hometown: New Brighton MN
Major(s): Cyber Security Engineering
Minor(s):



What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

In my free time I enjoy playing the guitar. I also enjoy playing all sorts of games, video games board games and card games.

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

I think my ideal co-leader is willing to plan ahead but also willing to be flexible when the time is needed.

What is your dream job?

In a perfect world I would become a successful musician. I am a huge fan of hard rock and punk and have been playing guitar for over 11 years.

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

My warning label would definitely be I overthink and struggle with some anxiety.

What is one item on your bucket list?

One item on my bucket list is to travel outside of the USA probably to either Japan or South Korea.

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

If I could live anywhere, I would probably live in New Zealand because I have a good amount of friends from there I have met through playing card games.

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?

I am a huge fan of the butter spindle pretzels for years at this point.

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

I would probably jump into a pool of whipped cream.

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

My favorite TV show is definitely Arcane however I am currently watching One Piece and having more fun with it than I thought I would.

What is a fun fact about you?

I play card games competitively for some money. I have traveled around the country for it and have met people from around the world.

What is your favorite decade of music?

I think my favorite decade would be 2020-current. Bands like Bring Me the Horizon, Yungblud, and Bad Omens have all released incredible albums so far this decade and many smaller bands like Nothing More have popped up and blown me away.

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Name: Abby Bergstrom
Hometown: Rockton, IL
Major(s): Environmental Science
Minor(s): Biology

What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

I love to be outside as much as I can, going for walks or just hanging out. My friends and I like to watch lots of sports, so I've been going to and watching most of the basketball games lately. I also like to read, but definitely go through phases of lots of it and almost none depending on how I'm feeling.

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

Probably someone who is just excited to be there; even if the class or academics in general become stressful, I hope that we are still able to make the class enjoyable.

What is your dream job?

As long as I am surrounded by a pretty landscape, I'm all good, but my dream job would be doing conservation work for the National Park Service either in the United States or at National Parks abroad.

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

Too good at Irish goodbyes.

What is one item on your bucket list?

While there are a lot of places I hope to travel, I think one of my top bucket list trips is an Arctic cruise, or a cruise to Antarctica, either would be super cool.

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

Again, this is difficult to choose, since I hope to live many places in the future, but right now I've been envisioning living in the countryside with rolling hills or mountains and great sunsets. Maybe like Montana or Washington, but the midwest also has some great spots like upper Wisconsin or Michigan.

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?

Mango Naked smoothie, one of those small packs of Pringles, and maybe trail mix.

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

Chocolate soy milk

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

My current favorite movie is Pitch Perfect, it never disappoints. As for books, I just finished the Song of Achilles and while it might not be my all time favorite, I did really love it.

What is a fun fact about you?

I played volleyball for ten years and still try to when I have the time!

What is your favorite decade of music?

The 2010s

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Name: Elliott Bourgeois

Hometown: Fairfax, Iowa

Major(s): Electrical Engineering

Minor(s): German



What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

I enjoy reading, but I spend most of my free time hanging out with my friends or watching films, with friends or alone.

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

Sociable, interesting, and diligent

What is your dream job?

Not entirely sure yet, but hopefully something in Electrical Engineering

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

WARNING: is extensively interested in many things that do not matter

What is one item on your bucket list?

Attend a film festival (Cannes, Berlinale, or Venice)

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

The Pacific Northwest: the picturesque scenery and somewhat temperate climate are very appealing to me.

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?

A Toblerone and, if I had an insurmountable sum of money sitting around, beef jerky.

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

Water at the perfect temperature would be nice. I would say mustard, but that sounds awful.

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

My absolute favorite book is *A Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man* by James Joyce.

What is a fun fact about you?

Footage of me attempting to remove a fencepost with a pickaxe was once aired to the larger Cincinnati metropolitan area.

What is your favorite decade of music?

1970s or 1990s

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Name: Liz Carlson

Hometown: Downers Grove, IL

Major(s): Biology



What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

I enjoy playing videogames on my switch, working out, and cooking soup with my friends!

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

My ideal co-leader is cheerful and has an easy-going sense of humor!

What is your dream job?

I would love to one day be a conservationist, helping create plans to protect animal populations everywhere.

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

Warning! Will talk your ear off about the latest Nintendo Direct.

What is one item on your bucket list?

I would like to one day visit every region of the mainland United States.

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

I would choose to live in Amsterdam. It is a gorgeous city with lots of fascinating architecture, culture, and people. I additionally love the idea of riding a bike to work every day.

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?

Kettle corn flavored popcorners.

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

Orbeez! The rainbow ones, of course.

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

My favorite TV show is called Arcane, which streams on Netflix.

What is a fun fact about you?

I once had a 'pet' owl chick for about a month in 2020. He fell from his nest, and a nearby wildlife rehabilitation center built him a new one in our backyard tree. His name was Woody and loved hissing at us.

What is your favorite decade of music?

The current decade! My favorite artists are ones making music today, like Olivia Rodrigo, Taylor Swift, and Vance Joy.

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Name: Sydney Casey

Hometown: Algona, Iowa

Major(s): Women's & Gender Studies

Minor(s):

What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

Reading, watching shows/movies, and hanging out with friends.

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

Someone who has a good sense of humor, is responsible, and is reliable, so basically not Kristal (Claudio).

What is your dream job?

Working at a non-profit helping people.

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

Caution: she gets way too invested in her hyper-fixations.

What is one item on your bucket list?

Going to a Reneé Rapp and/or Fletcher concert.

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

I would choose to live in the UK or Australia.

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?

Snyder's peanut butter pretzels.

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

An ominous liquid that smells like marshmallows.

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

Heartstopper and Brooklyn 99

What is a fun fact about you?

I hate horror movies.

What is your favorite decade of music?

The 2010s

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Name: Kristal Claudio

Hometown: Caguas, Puerto Rico

Major(s): Biology

Minor(s): Biological/Pre-Med Illustration, Spanish



What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

I like to read (currently reading Chalice of the Gods by Rick Riordan), doing a full face of makeup (no special occasion necessary), crashing on my friend Jake's couch.

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

Sydney Eleanor Casey

What is your dream job?

Doctor of a pro sports team, preferably a soccer team.

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

Sings into TikTok sounds in spontaneous bursts.

What is one item on your bucket list?

Figure out the chain rule (calc)

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

Same neighborhood that my parents live in so that I can go over to their house whenever I want, they can come whenever they want, and I can freeload off their food

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?

Casey's donut holes

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

Baby power

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

It's between Percy Jackson TV series, Shameless, and SKAM (French version, 3rd season)

What is a fun fact about you?

I have a Pedro pascal flag in my room

What is your favorite decade of music?

2010s

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Name: **MAGGIE COWEN**
Hometown: **EAST PEORIA, IL**
Major(s): **BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING**
Minor(s): **N/A**



What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

- Crafting
- Watching Grey's Anatomy

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

- Outgoing
- Driven
- Organized

What is your dream job?

Regenerative Tissue
Engineering

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

WARNING: Will continue to fill free time to comically keep Busy ☺

What is one item on your bucket list?

- Fly an airplane

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

- Texas; family, quality of living, good job opportunities

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?

GOLDFISH and/or TWIZZLERS

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

ummm... is just water an option?

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

Book: **All The Bright Places or The City of Ember**

Movie: **Ice Castles**

TV show: **Grey's Anatomy**

What is a fun fact about you?

I have a coffee mug collection of about 80 mugs

What is your favorite decade of music?

2000s ♥

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Name: Gray Dallaire

Hometown: Leominster Massachusetts

Major(s): Animal Ecology

Minor(s): n/a



What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

I really enjoy Listening and talking about music with one of my close friends from home. I also really enjoy playing video games, recently I have been playing breath of the wild.

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

My Ideal co-leader is energetic with a wanting to design fun classes and stimulate conversation with me and others in the group.

What is your dream job?

My dream job is to work in a National Park out west or on the coast working there as a Wildlife biologist providing research that will be used to create policy for conservation of organisms.

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

VERY SARCASTIC

What is one item on your bucket list?

To hike Danali the highest point in North America

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

I would choose Southern Utah in the middle of the canyons between Bryce Canyon national Park and Zion National Park. I think it gets the perfect weather and it is the most beautiful place in the world with the red rock and the beautiful greenery.

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?

I am a huge fan of combos but I am also a huge fan of spicy chips like talkies on long road trips

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

Oobleck, I feel like it would be scary as when you start to sink it would be hard to get out but I think that would be part of the fun.

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

My favorite Book is Enders game, Favorite movie is a toss up of Empire Strikes back, 2001 A Space Odyssey or Rocky 4. And then for TV it would be Malcom in the Middle.

What is a fun fact about you?

I went sky diving this summer

What is your favorite decade of music?

Either the 70s or 90s, Sinatra and Johnny Cash was peak in the 70s but Billy Joel was electric in the 90s

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Name: **Priyasha Deb (Ri)**

Hometown: **Reading, England**

Major(s): **Biology (pre-med)**

Minor(s):

What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

Playing games and watching anime or other shows

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

Someone who enjoys the same things as me, not too shy and will take upon equal responsibility.

What is your dream job?

Cardio-thoracic surgery.

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

Caution: Kinda awkward and strange.

What is one item on your bucket list?

To go visit as many countries as possible

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

Definitely Mondstadt from genshin impact if we are talking fiction. For non-fiction, probably Italy in a more rural area because the summers there are truly magical.

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?

Not sure maybe some french fries.

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

Pool of orbeez for sure.

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

My favourite movie is: your name (Kimi no na wa)

What is a fun fact about you?

I have never had chicken pox before.

What is your favorite decade of music?

Definitely 2010s

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Name: Katie Ferguson

Hometown: Wheaton, IL

Major(s): Agricultural Studies

Minor(s): World Film Studies

What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

I like to watch classic films (or Farmer Wants a Wife) and ride horses.

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

She has black hair, an amazing smile, and her name is Divya Lidder.

What is your dream job?

TBD but here are my options:

- Stay at home mom
- Film critic or filmmaker
- Anything animals

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

Acts drunk while completely sober

What is one item on your bucket list?

Travel to Ireland

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

Tennessee – I LOVE the culture and the landscape

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?

Pretzel bun sandwich

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

Orbeez

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

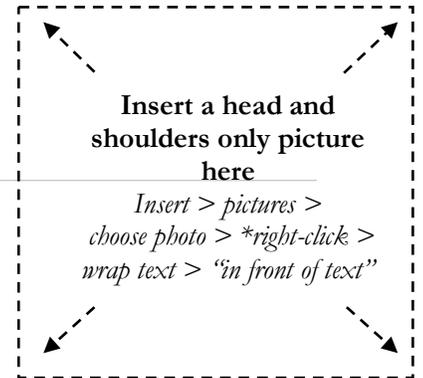
LOTR/Hobbit trilogies

What is a fun fact about you?

I have dual citizenship in the US and Canada (my dad was born in Canada)

What is your favorite decade of music?

Early 2000's pop!!!



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Name: Emma Foley
Hometown: Dallas Center, IA
Major(s): Chemistry
Minor(s): N/A



What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

Hanging out with friends, playing pickleball, and watching movies.

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

Someone who is outgoing, a good-planner, and fun to be around!

What is your dream job?

I'm still figuring out what I want to do but as of right now I want to do something with materials and inorganic chemistry whether that be in research or industry.

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

WARNING: will hit curbs

What is one item on your bucket list?

Take the California Zephyr!

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

Stay somewhere in the Midwest because it's homey and I can experience all four seasons.

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?

Dragonfruit Vitaminwater and Nerd gummy clusters.

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

A giant pool of pillows!

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

TV show: Modern Family

Movie: Parent Trap (1998)

Book: Kafka on the Shore by Murakami

What is a fun fact about you?

I don't have allergies.

What is your favorite decade of music?

70's jazz rock/fusion

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Name: Caleb Frostestad
Hometown: Okoboji, IA
Major(s): Animal Science
Minor(s): Entrepreneurship

What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time? I love to do almost anything outdoors, including fishing, hunting, trapping, camping, or even walking leisurely

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader? Someone who is super friendly, a creative thinker, organized, and has good time management.

What is your dream job? Own and manage my own livestock operation in either northwest or northeast Iowa

If you had a warning label, what would yours say? WARNING: May become aggressive if not fed three times a day.

What is one item on your bucket list? I want to take a trip to Alaska someday.

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why? I would stay in rural Iowa because I love the slower pace of life and the ability to get to know almost everyone who lives around you.

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack? Blue Bunny ice cream sandwich

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of? Those extra large marshmallows that you find in stores during the summer.

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show? The Jack Reacher TV Show

What is a fun fact about you? I write with my left hand and wear size 15 shoe

What is your favorite decade of music? 2020's Country Music

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Name: Caiti Harts

Hometown: Kansas City

Major(s): Computer Science

Minor(s): Cyber Security



What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

Playing chess, reading, inline skating.

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

Kind, easy-going, hard-working.

What is your dream job?

Penetration tester (it's not what it sounds like).

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

No filter.

What is one item on your bucket list?

Go to a Falling in Reverse concert.

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

Gothenburg, Sweden because it's beautiful and I enjoy having rights.

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?

Sour gummy worms.

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

Jell-O.

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

THE LEGO BATMAN MOVIE

What is a fun fact about you?

I'm learning how to ice skate (I am not good).

What is your favorite decade of music?

90s (but 80s is a close second)

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Name: Durotimi Johnson
Hometown: Davenport, IA
Major(s): Electrical Engineering
Minor(s):



What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

- Tutoring friends over math
- Watching YouTube videos about math
- Learning uselessly sophisticated words to hopefully use them at opportune moments in time

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

- Someone who can think up fun and interesting events with me and is sociable. It would also help if he or she majored in actuarial sciences, AKA Matthew Sprout.

What is your dream job?

- Something that involves a heavy amount of math and problem solving, like an RF engineer.

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

- "Contains Red-40 and microplastics".

What is one item on your bucket list?

- Become excessively proficient at math as I feel like math is a skill that would be the best to have mastered.

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

- My go-to answer would be my house since I love relaxing at home without a care in the world. Otherwise, it would be to Florida since I feel like there'd be something interesting every day.

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?

- Hot dogs from Kwik Star.

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

- Glass bottles, so I can test the amount of damage that will be sustained from glass bottles at certain heights.

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

- The Lord of the Mysteries

What is a fun fact about you?

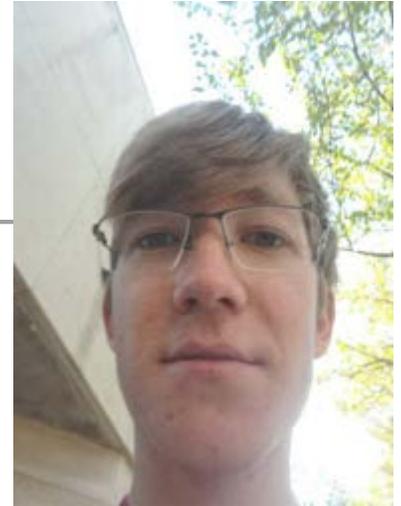
- My mom lost my citizenship once, everything went cattywampus and I had to get another one.

What is your favorite decade of music?

- 2000s solely for Taylor Swift.

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Name: Anderson Keough
Hometown: Oskaloosa, IA
Major(s): Aerospace Engineering
Minor(s): Spanish



What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

Music (I play the oboe), D&D, video games (I play Dark Souls to relax)

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

Fun, friendly, capable of delegating/distributing workload evenly

What is your dream job?

Working at NASA

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

Warning: Easy to get talking, hard to stop

What is one item on your bucket list?

Figure out what to put on my bucket list

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

Some medium-sized town in the Midwest – I kinda like it here, not too loud or too quiet.

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?

Muffin

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

Probably water

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

I'm an above average Star Wars fan

What is a fun fact about you?

I'm actually really funny once you get to know me (Trust)

What is your favorite decade of music?

80's (1880's – Big Tchaikovsky enjoyer)

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Name: Adityaraja (Adi) Kini Alevoor

Hometown: Udupi, India

Major(s): Mechanical Engineering

Minor(s): N/A



What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

- Playing sports (mostly basketball and soccer)
- Spending time with friends
- Relaxing

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

A leader who is willing to serve a mentorship role while being a dependable friend to the class.

What is your dream job?

Either engineering cool things with a big company or becoming a teacher.

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

“Leaves things until the last minute” (I probably got the label made last minute, too)

What is one item on your bucket list?

Cross-country road trip around the US.

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

Antarctica, just because it would be interesting to see how long I'd last.

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?

A pack of Mike and Ike with a can of soda.

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

Gold coins.

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

I enjoy all the books, movies and shows I watch/read, but I recently watched *Cars* again, so let's go with that.

What is a fun fact about you?

I can make a free throw with an underhand shot better than with my normal form.

What is your favorite decade of music?

The 90s.

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Name: Henry Lehman

Hometown: Geneseo Illinois

Major(s): Software Engineering + Spanish

Minor(s):



What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

Playing Volleyball, watching movies, getting ahead on homework, eating apples

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

Cool, funny, kind, likes apples, is a good leader but is open to suggestions,

What is your dream job?

History Teacher because I love learning about history and human interaction. Plus the kids would bring me apples

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

I love Apples and roman numerals.

What is one item on your bucket list?

Eat an apple.

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

I really like the small town I came from. It has a wonderful community and a great highschool for both athletics and academics. Plus I would want to live in a house with an apple tree.

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?

Apple, 100%

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

Apple Juice, duh.

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

Book – Rangers Apprentice Series

Movie – Hunt for Red October

TV show – The Peaky Blinders

What is a fun fact about you?

I secretly like pears.

What is your favorite decade of music?

2010s Pop

Learn Your Leaders 2024!

Name: Emma Lemke

Hometown: Johnston, IA

Major(s): Kinesiology and Health

Minor(s): Human Development and Family Studies



What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

Hammocking, watching movies with friends, going for a walk around Ada Haden.

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

Friendly, welcoming, motivated, understanding, and collaborative.

What is your dream job?

Cardiac Sonographer

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

WARNING: Is a grandma that goes to bed at 10 pm and gets excited over cleaning

What is one item on your bucket list?

Hiking Pikes Peak

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

Colorado because you get warm summers but also have mountains for snowy activities. Also is still relatively close to family :)

What is your favorite go-to gas station snack?

Beef Jerky, Sour Gummy Worms, Muddy Buddies

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

Orbeez!

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

Favorite Movie: Avatar The Way of Water

What is a fun fact about you?

I like to play the ukulele!

What is your favorite decade of music?

80's Music

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Name: Divya Lidder
Hometown: Naperville, Illinois
Major(s): Computer Science
Minor(s): N/A

What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

I love going bouldering/rock climbing, doing crosswords, and when I have time, reading!

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader? Enthusiastic, creative, a bit crazy

What is your dream job? Comedian (I'm not funny)

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

Warning!! The coolest person ever

What is one item on your bucket list?

Bleach my hair platinum blonde

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why? London! I love the UK

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack? Nerds ropes

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of? Marshmallows

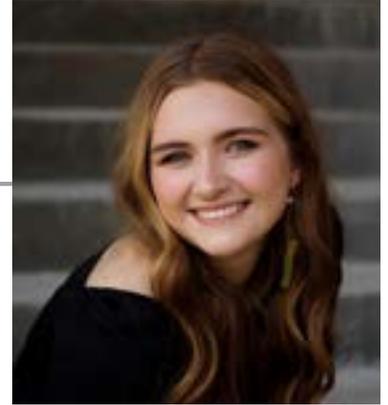
What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show? The Overstory

What is a fun fact about you? I can walk on stilts

What is your favorite decade of music? I love 2010s pop but I'm also partial to 1950s vocal jazz!

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Name: Chloe Louwagie
Hometown: Cottonwood, MN
Major(s): Animal Science
Minor(s): Spanish



What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

Reading and making/watching TikToks

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

Someone who likes to have fun and try something new and exciting.

What is your dream job?

Veterinary Ophthalmologist

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

I'll like your dog more than I'll like you :)

What is one item on your bucket list?

Go on an African safari.

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

Hawaii! I love the heat and beauty.

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?

A bag of popcorn and an iced coffee.

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

Orbeez

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

The duology Dance of Thieves and Vow of Thieves.

What is a fun fact about you?

I can play "My Heart Will Go On" by Celine Dion on the recorder (I'm a little rusty now though)

What is your favorite decade of music?

2010s

Learn Your Leaders 2024!

Name: Addison Lust
Hometown: Des Moines, Iowa
Major(s): Graphic Design
Minor(s): Public Relations



What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

Reading, spending time with family and friends, and snacking!

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

Kind, organized, and creative!

What is your dream job?

Working for Taylor Swift or Harry Styles in Graphic Design or Public Relations :)

But if we're being realistic probably something like a Graphic Design job where I am able to travel and work flexibly!

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

WARNING: coffee addiction

I cannot start my day without a cup of coffee or two

What is one item on your bucket list?

Study abroad in Rome!

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

Somewhere warm! At this point, I don't even care where!! I hate being cold so anywhere that is sunny year-round! Maybe California or Arizona.

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?

Corn nuts and a fountain Dr. Pepper with lots of ice! Sometimes nerd's gummy clusters :)

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

Jell-O, ever since I saw it in Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs, I've dreamed of it!

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

I am rereading The Magnolia Parks series by Jessa Hastings right now so I'll say that! My favorite movie is High School Musical 3 and my favorite show is The Summer I Turned Pretty, if you can't tell I love cheesy romance!

What is a fun fact about you?

I have read 300 books in the past 2 years!

What is your favorite decade of music?

Probably the 2010s, but if I'm being honest it's every year Taylor Swift has put out an album!

Learn Your Leaders 2024!

Name: Brady Lyness

Hometown: Omaha, Nebraska

Major: Meteorology



What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

Playing video games, falling into YouTube black holes, and practicing my clarinet

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

Someone who is hardworking and excited to get creative and have fun as a leader.

What is your dream job?

Working with the National Weather Service or a private company that utilizes meteorological data

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

Warning: "will overthink everything and apologize often"

What is one item on your bucket list?

I'd love to learn how to photograph weather with a nice camera. It'd be so cool to travel around and take pictures of nature.

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

Within the states, probably somewhere in the Midwest where there's a lot of snow. Otherwise, I'd love to live in Ireland or a Scandinavian country like Sweden.

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?

Gardetto's snack mix and SweetTarts Ropes

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

Probably cotton, or anything fluffy like a cloud

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

My Hero Academia

What is a fun fact about you?

I've seen lots of musicals live, but my favorite would be Phantom of the Opera at His Majesty's Theatre in London.

What is your favorite decade of music?

I like almost anything, from 1930's big band to modern progressive rock.

Learn Your Leaders 2024!

Name: Kaylee Maczek
Hometown: Plainfield, IL.
Major(s): Computer Science
Minor(s): Cybersecurity Engineering



What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

1. I like to read! Mostly fiction, and I am currently reading *The Invisible Life of Addie LaRue* by V.E. Schwab.
2. I play video games! I just recently got into gaming, but I enjoy *Minecraft*, *Stardew Valley*, and the Sims.

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

1. Fun to work with
2. Willing to meet outside of meetings
3. Punctual / not procrastinator

What is your dream job?

Something in the Cybersecurity field, I am also interested in criminology so that would be cool as well.

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

Warning: Probably has a stomach ache (I have a gluten allergy)

What is one item on your bucket list?

To travel around the world

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

Colorado or North Carolina, I love skiing, hiking, and just mountain views in general, and I have been to both of those states and loved it.

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?

Baked lays and Heath Bars

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

Orbeer

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

My favorite movie is *Lilo and Stitch!*

What is a fun fact about you?

I really enjoy building Legos and it's a goal of mine to collect all the botanical sets (I have 3).

What is your favorite decade of music?

2000s, 2010s

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Name: Chloe Martin

Hometown: Norwalk, IA

Major(s): Interior Design



What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

Running, hiking, and watching movies

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

Dedicated to creating a positive environment, a similar sense of humor, and a willingness to be open with their frustrations.

What is your dream job?

Interior designer for collegiate or corporate clients. Maybe a track and cross country coach one day!

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

Beware of the dawg

What is one item on your bucket list?

Seeing the redwoods in California or backpacking across Europe

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

I would want to live in New England or the northwest US. I really enjoy time in nature and don't like being hot so somewhere like those regions would be great! Also, there is a lot of ability to travel to surrounding areas with easy access to big cities.

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?

Triple shot mocha or the naked blue machine for a drink and a bag of Gardetto's for the snack!

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

Likely jello, I feel like it would be equally as fun as it looked in Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

Inception or How to Train Your Dragon

What is a fun fact about you?

I learned how to play the unicycle in 4th grade which led me to want to play the tuba simply so I could try and do both at the same time.

What is your favorite decade of music?

Late 2010s

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Name: Mary Matthiesen

Hometown: Spencer, Iowa

Major(s): Biology

What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

Some things that I enjoy doing with my leisure time are snowboarding/skiing and watching the Bachelor.

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

Outgoing, talkative, fun.

What is your dream job?

General Dentist.

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

Terrible driver.

What is one item on your bucket list?

Sky diving somewhere tropical.

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

I would choose to live in Arizona/Utah area because I vacationed there last summer and to this day I think about how beautiful and unique the scenery was!

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?

Nerd Gummy Clusters and Diet coke.

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

Marshmallows!

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

My favorite TV show is Friends.

What is a fun fact about you?

I love to play soccer.

What is your favorite decade of music?

2010 pop hits.

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Name: Libby McMorris

Hometown: Peoria, IL

Major(s): Psychology

Minor(s):



What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

I enjoy hanging out with my friends, working out, and reading.

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

Good communication skills, putting in similar effort/energy, good positive attitude.

What is your dream job?

Working in research or school/sport psychologist.

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

peanut allergy

What is one item on your bucket list?

Road tripping across the US!

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

California because there is so much to do and I think I would fit in.

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?

Diet Coke and white cheddar Cheez-its.

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

Orbeez.

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

My favorite movie is 10 Things I Hate About You.

What is a fun fact about you?

I've played soccer my whole life!

What is your favorite decade of music?

2010s

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Name: Brayden Meints
Hometown: Granger, Iowa
Major(s): Anthropology
Minor(s): History, Middle Eastern Studies



What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

My favorite past times are listening to music, watching movies, and taking naps.

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

Sociable and willing to work with me. I want someone who will be passionate about their own ideas, and fight against mine to ensure it's the best we can.

What is your dream job?

As of now I am unsure. Currently between working to become a museum curator or a journalist. Would love to work a job where I help people, whether home or abroad (would love to travel).

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

“Warning, constantly asleep”

What is one item on your bucket list?

The first thing I can think of for a bucket list item is seeing the aurora borealis.

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

I would love to live in a log cabin somewhere outside of a small town. Living abroad would be cool but anywhere in the US would be best for being close to family for holidays. I love the neighbors I have had growing up, but I also love having a large yard with lots of space for activities.

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?

Sunflower seeds or the Cheese Munchies Mix

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

Probably just water.

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

My favorite movie is La La Land or Singing in The Rain

What is a fun fact about you?

I have a twin sister who is more athletic than me.

What is your favorite decade of music?

Early 2010's indie-folk music or 50-60's anything (Sam Cooke, Etta James, Nat-King Cole, Frank Sinatra etc)

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Name: Kennedy Meyer
Hometown: Houston, Texas
Major(s): English
Minor(s): Technical Communications



What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

When I am done with my work for the day, I really enjoy watching movies, playing games, and reading.

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

Really just someone who is organized and fun to be around!

What is your dream job?

My dream job is to be a published author. In the meantime, lots of editing work!

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

Beware- likes cats more than dogs.

What is one item on your bucket list?

I really want to travel through Europe at some point!

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

Probably somewhere in France on the countryside because it's beautiful there and cost efficient.

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?

Teriyaki or peppered beef jerky, but if it is a Buc-ees in Texas, definitely Dippin' Dots.

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

I would have say Jell-O. I'd have my cloudy with a chance of meatballs moment!

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

I have a lot of favorite books, but I took the Greek and Roman Myth course here last semester, and I really enjoyed The Song of Achilles! My all-time favorite might be Invisible Man by Ralph Ellison- you just have to appreciate the analogies and thought that went into it!

What is a fun fact about you?

I was the goalie for our water polo team in high school.

What is your favorite decade of music?

Definitely the 80s!

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Name: Briley Miller
Hometown: Maquoketa, Iowa
Major(s): Animal Science
Minor(s): General Business



What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

In my leisure time I like to watch Netflix, play tennis, and hangout with friends.

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

My ideal co-leader would be understanding, respectful, responsible, and kind.

What is your dream job?

My dream job would be to travel and work with animals.

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

My warning label would say don't believe her tone. I have a voice that sounds over everything, but I seas I'm not its just my voice!

What is one item on your bucket list?

One item on my bucket list is to travel to Italy for the cats and pasta.

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

If I could live anywhere I would choose Hawaii. It's. Culture fascinates me and I love the beach.

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?

My favorite go to gas stations snacks are cheeseballs, baked potato chips, or a snickers bar.

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

The pool would be filled with money, so I could keep it.

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

I don't read that much. My favorite tv shows are grey anatomy, switched at birth, and once upon a time.

What is a fun fact about you?

A fun fact about me is that I have an exotic miniature pig breed.

What is your favorite decade of music?

My favorite decade of music is 2010.

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Name: Caden Miller

Hometown: Ankeny, Iowa

Major(s): Mechanical Engineering

Minor(s): Energy Systems

What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

Work out, play video/card games, any outdoor activity

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

My ideal co-leader would have a good sense of humor, be decently organized, and be good at improvising. They would also be someone who doesn't just look at this as just a job but is here to have fun.

What is your dream job?

Building and testing prototype vehicles for an automotive or motorsports company

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

Work in progress

What is one item on your bucket list?

Visit New Zealand

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

Colorado- hiking, skiing, off-roading, boating, fishing, beautiful views, good weather, etc.

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?

A blue raspberry slushie, or chili cheese Fritos if the machine is broken.

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

Water

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

Movie- Interstellar

What is a fun fact about you?

I have two black cats at home

What is your favorite decade of music?

1990s or 2010s (I like any decade though)

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Name: Mylie Miller

Hometown: Huxley, Iowa

Major(s): Marketing, Advertising

Minor(s): Spanish



What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

Spending time outside, hammocking with a good book, or playing my guitar.

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

Dependable, creative, good at managing their time, and likes to have fun.

What is your dream job?

I'm still figuring out the dream right now, but I would love to go to law school and potentially open my own law firm at some point.

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

Warning: is directionally oblivious and will follow google maps anywhere.

What is one item on your bucket list?

I would love to go backpacking in Switzerland with my mom and document it all on my old film camera.

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

I would live on the coast of Washington state because it is gorgeous there and it rains all the time which would be my dream.

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?

Pretzel M&Ms or Muddy Buddies

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

Cinnamon Toast Crunch because it is the most superior cereal.

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

Favorite TV show: Gilmore Girls

What is a fun fact about you?

I write songs in my free time and love to play random instruments (like the accordion)

What is your favorite decade of music?

The 80s!

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Name: Allison Miner
Hometown: Johnston, IA
Major(s): Industrial Engineering
Minor(s): None



What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?
Watching movies, playing games, listening to music, and being with friends

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?
Fun, organized, friendly

What is your dream job?
Celebrity stylist/agent

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?
Warning: extreme indecisiveness

What is one item on your bucket list?
Watch a show on Broadway

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?
Colorado for the mountains

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?
Munchies

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?
Jello?

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?
My favorite movie is 10 Things I Hate About You or Tangled or Mean Girls

What is a fun fact about you?
I'm a party princess!

What is your favorite decade of music?
2000s

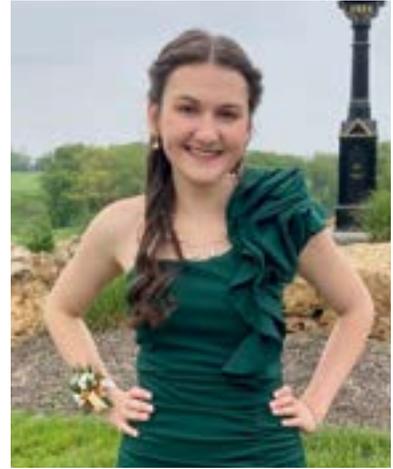
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Name: Eliana (Ellie) Moore

Hometown: I don't have a hometown, but graduated from high school in Bettendorf, IA. I'm a military kid, so I have moved over ten times.

Major(s): History & Secondary Education

Endorsements: American History/World History/
American Government/Economics



What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?
Playing my cello, hanging out with my friends and reading.

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?
Easy-going, organized, fun, has good communication skills and wants to help others.

What is your dream job?
My dream job is to work for DODEA (Department of Defence Education Association) and teach middle school students all around the world.

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?
Warning: Likely to contain complete awesomeness!

What is one item on your bucket list?
To visit Iceland.

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?
I would live in southern France because it's close to the Mediterranean and I love it there.

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?
Pretzels.

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?
Marshmallows for a soft (and sweet) landing.

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?
My favorite book is The Hiding Place by Corrie Ten Boom. It's also been made into a movie.

What is a fun fact about you?
I have been playing the cello for about 15 years now.

What is your favorite decade of music?
1920s jazz is super relaxing and makes me smile.

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Name: Ernest Mueller (Ernie)

Hometown: Hoffman Estates, Illinois

Major(s): Civil Engineering

What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

I enjoy engaging in theatre and going on walks.

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

Someone who is dependable, displays ownership, and is creative.

What is your dream job?

I would love to be part of a team designing a new neighborhood or city.

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

“Quiet, until he's not (like *really* not)”

What is one item on your bucket list?

I want to visit LA so bad.

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

In a warm city next to water.

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?

Slurpee's (it is a tragedy there are no 7 Elevens in Iowa.)

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

Water. Anything else would probably be sticky, slimy or otherwise gross.

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

I had a moment years back when I was obsessed with The 100. Watched every season.

What is a fun fact about you?

Last summer I had a second where I was trying to learn to juggle. I still cannot juggle.

What is your favorite decade of music?

I definitely enjoy 80's classic rock.

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Name: Nathaniel
Hometown: Decorah, IA
Major(s): Mechanical Engineering
Minor(s):



What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

Play Video Games
Hang out with Friends
Listen to Music

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

Lives in Barton Hall
International Student from Singapore
Named Ayaan

What is your dream job?

Engineer

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

Will take any opportunity to play brawl stars instead of doing calculus

What is one item on your bucket list?

Eat lunch

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

Oregon because Oregon trail

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?

Mike and sometimes Ike

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

Water

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

The Hobbit

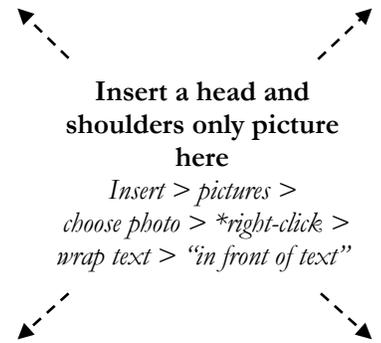
What is a fun fact about you?

I greatly enjoy playing brawl stars

What is your favorite decade of music?

1970s or 2010s

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Name: Aniroop Naladala
Hometown: St. Louis, Missouri
Major(s): Computer Science
Minor(s): General Business

What two or three things do you enjoy doing in your leisure time?

Go to the gym and play basketball with friends.

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

I want my co-leader to be able to communicate effectively with me and the students in the class. And someone who takes as much responsibility as me.

What is your dream job?

Becoming a data scientist in some sort of health care field.

If you had a warning label, what would you say?

Warning: Sarcasm is my first language

What is one item on your bucket list?

Visit different countries to meet new people and learn about their culture

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

I would love to live in either Sweden or go back to India and live in my hometown.

What is your favorite go-to gas station snack?

Granola bars

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

I would love to jump into a pool filled with gold bars.

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

My favorite movie would be either Oppenheimer or Interstellar

What is a fun fact about you?

I know 4 different languages

What is your favorite decade of music?

2010's Hip Hop/R and B

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Name: Evan Nelson
Hometown: Andover, Minnesota
Major(s): Biomedical Engineering
Minor(s): General Business



What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

I love playing pickleball, going to the gym, and being active. I also love listening to music.

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

My ideal co-leader is someone who is outgoing, confident, and organized. Someone who is a team player, flexible and open to anything.

What is your dream job?

My dream job is to help create new medicines and possibly work on the business side of things.

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

Warning! Operating on Low Battery.

What is one item on your bucket list?

One thing on my bucket list is to attend all 4 Grand Slam Tournaments (Tennis).

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

If I could live anywhere, I would say Italy because the architecture and art is beautiful, and I've heard that their food is magnificent.

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?

Watermelon Sour Patch Kids

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

Gold Coins - I want to be like Scrooge McDuck :)

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

Harry Potter and the Deathly Hollows, Part 2

What is a fun fact about you?

I can raise both of my eyebrows (like the Rock).

What is your favorite decade of music?

My favorite decade of music is the 2010s by far.

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Name: Katie Nelson

Hometown: St. Louis Park, MN

Major(s): Public Relations

Minor(s): Data Science, Communications



What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

Being with friends, exploring new coffee shops and going on runs.

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

Friendly, go with the flow, dependable and fun!

What is your dream job?

I don't have a specific job, but anything where I get to be creative and do different things everyday is ideal.

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

Warning – Iced chai addict

What is one item on your bucket list?

I want to run a marathon one day!

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

Amsterdam in The Netherlands, because it seems like such an interesting and beautiful city, and I think it would be cool to be able to bike everywhere.

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?

Blue raspberry slushie and pretzels. And a glazed donut of course!

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

Bubble wrap for the popping sounds!

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

I love both Parks & Rec, and Community! But I really enjoy any show that is lighthearted and funny.

What is a fun fact about you?

I work at the ISU Creamery.

What is your favorite decade of music?

2010s

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Name: Gavin Nienke

Hometown: Geneseo, IL

Major(s): Software Engineering

Minor(s): Spanish



What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

I enjoy going to the gym, eating food, watching movies, and anything else that doesn't include schoolwork.

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

Someone who has a good sense of humor and is friendly.

What is your dream job?

A job that makes me a lot of money.

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

Careful! I'm very hungry.

What is one item on your bucket list?

Visit every country.

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

Although the Midwest is nice and all, I'd prefer to live somewhere with sunshine, like Italy or Greece.

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?

The big rice crispies that Caseys has, or the big ice cream cookie sandwich.

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

Money.

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

My favorite book is the Grapes of Wrath, my favorite movie is Apocalypse Now, and my favorite TV show is The Sopranos.

What is a fun fact about you?

I'm left-handed and colorblind. I enjoy the challenge.

What is your favorite decade of music?

Early 2000's to 2010's (when Kanye was good)

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Name: Andrew O'Shea
Hometown: Wauconda, Illinois
Major(s): Psychology
Minor(s): N.A.



What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

I enjoy making music, listening to music, and socializing with friends.

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

My ideal co-leader would be excited about the honors program, a diligent worker, competitive, and social.

What is your dream job?

My dream job is to work on studying or implementing technology into people's brains.

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

Warning: Do not ask what my music taste is...

What is one item on your bucket list?

One thing on my bucket list is to retreat to somewhere with mountains for an extended period of time. This could be anywhere from Idaho to Switzerland.

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

I would live in somewhere Tropical like Hawaii. This is because I think sunny weather is just the best way to live life, and having some place that always has those optimal conditions would make me so happy.

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?

Smores Poptarts.

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

Cool mint listerine.

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

My favorite book is the Phantom Tollbooth.

What is a fun fact about you?

My fun fact is that I can sing the alphabet backwards very fast.

What is your favorite decade of music?

2020's or the 1970's (2020's is my pick, 1970's is for the other people)

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Name: Audrey Parrish

Hometown: Iowa City, Iowa

Major(s): Climate Science and Psychology

Minor(s): n/a

What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

- When I'm not doing homework, I enjoy reading and writing. I also love to bake, but I don't get to do it that often because I don't have my own oven here 😞 or a mixer... or a whisk

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

- I want my co-leader to be fun and outgoing but also responsible and reliable. Being creative is important, too.

What is your dream job?

- I want to find a way to combine my majors and do something that helps both people and the planet. I'm considering becoming a nature psychologist or a climate consultant.

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

- WARNING: caffeine addiction (also she snores sometimes)

What is one item on your bucket list?

- Studying abroad in Scotland or Ireland (or close to them so I can travel there)

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

- I would love to live in Vermont. I love mountains, forests and hiking. I visited Vermont a couple years ago and fell in love with it. The closest I will probably get is the upper peninsula of Michigan, because it's closer to family.

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?

- I *always* get a fountain Coke with crushed ice and a Zebra Cake. This was my fav snack in high school.

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

- Amber, so I could be preserved like a mosquito.

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

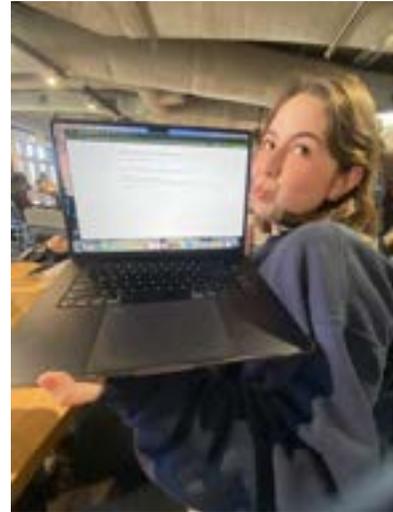
- The Book Thief is by far my favorite book. My fav TV show is New Girl.

What is a fun fact about you?

- I have two dogs and seven cats (at home). Also, I am a vegetarian.

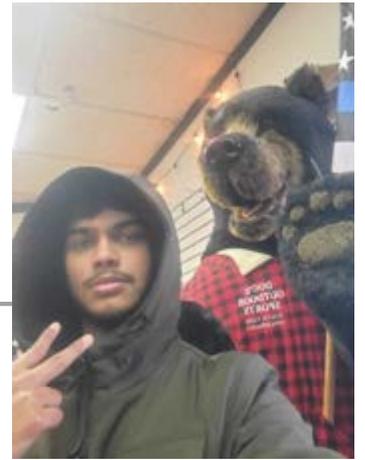
What is your favorite decade of music?

- Either the 2000s or the 2010s



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Name: Aparneesh Patil
Hometown: St Louis, Missouri
Major(s): Computer Science
Minor(s): Economics



What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

I like to go to the gym and rock climb. (Pretty bland but I think it's fun)

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

I think I would like a co-leader who can manage their own work and stay organized as these characteristics will help us, as a team, excel and be on top of the work we do.

What is your dream job?

My dream job is to invest in various fields and just chill at home.

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

Alert: May Spontaneously Sing. (Causes deafness)

What is one item on your bucket list?

I would like free climb a mountain.

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

I would live in a rural town in Germany or Sweden or maybe even go back to India and live in a small town.

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?

KitKats and Sprite (Cranberry flavor if there)

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

Dumbbells and Barbells. Do some curls as I'm swimming.

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

My favorite book is LOTM, my favorite movie is How to Train Your Dragons 3, my favorite TV show is Breaking Bad

What is a fun fact about you?

I am double jointed in the elbow so I can do weird tricks.

What is your favorite decade of music?

Probably 2010s music, especially Coldplay.

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Name: Will Pavlick
Hometown: Oswego, IL
Major(s): Mechanical Engineering
Minor(s): Sales Certificate???



What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

I enjoy reading my Bible, working out, and playing sports.

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

Strong communication skills and work ethic because they will help us succeed in leading an FHP class.

What is your dream job?

I want to design and manufacture sports/weightlifting equipment for young athletes.

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

Hall of Fame yapper

What is one item on your bucket list?

I want to visit every National Park

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

Anywhere out west so I can hike in the mountains all the time.

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?

Muddy Buddies

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

Chocolate milk

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

The Dark Knight

What is a fun fact about you?

My family races boats, and two of my brothers and my dad are in the Hall of Fame.

What is your favorite decade of music?

2010s

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Name: Vivian Polgreen

Hometown: Iowa City, IA

Major(s): Mechanical Engineering

Minor(s):

What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

Cooking, crafts, and hanging out with friends

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

Kind and chill

What is your dream job?

Heiress

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

Beware: ginger

What is one item on your bucket list?

Eat more tacos

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

Wisconsin, because cheese

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?

Sea salt and vinegar chips

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

\$100 bills

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

The Hobbit

What is a fun fact about you?

Both of my parents work at the University of Iowa and my twin brother goes there.

What is your favorite decade of music?

2010s

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Name: Meghan Prochnow
Hometown: Menomonie, WI
Major(s): Event Management
Minor(s):



What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

Playing volleyball and coloring.

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

Someone who is positive and energetic.

What is your dream job?

An event coordinator for a large-scale stadium.

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

Will talk about her cats whenever possible.

What is one item on your bucket list?

Visit the 7 Wonders of the World.

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

Somewhere in Europe. This is because I went to Spain last summer and loved it over there.

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?

Pretzels

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

Gummy Bears

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

Kingsman (movie)

What is a fun fact about you?

I have a cat named Cooter.

What is your favorite decade of music?

The 80's

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Name: Shamik Samanta

Hometown: Iowa City, IA; Waltham, MA; Mumbai, India
(it's complicated)

Major(s): Aerospace Engineering, Applied Math

Minor(s): Astronomy



What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

Mariokart, Reading, Touching grass, adulting (I finally have a credit score yay!).

Taking 21 credits *will* suck your soul out

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

They'd be excited, cautiously optimistic, accountable, and communicative!

What is your dream job?

Realistic: A job related to space/aerospace that doesn't involve bombing civilians (I'm banking on nasa)

Ideal 1: Secondary Math Teacher in a school district that actually supports teachers OR

Ideal 2: A Librarian at New York Public Library or Cary Memorial Library (my local library).

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

Alert: social battery monitor unreliable, might decide it's a good day to spend in the library/their dorm

What is one item on your bucket list?

Learning a new language! Duolingo doesn't work for me, but anything to reach O.W.L. proficiency. (yes that was a harry potter reference, yes I have major issues with jkr)

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

Singapore if everything was perfect. On our continent, Boston because the T is a just-about-loveable mess (fund public transit!!) and oh my god it's so pretty, or maybe Brooklyn because my English 250H professor is from there and she's an absolute vibe (And she's getting her doctorate this summer! Dr. K on top!). Vermont sounds fun too.

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?

I don't drive so uhhh I'm not super sure what counts as one. Twizzlers 0/10, Gummy bears 7/10, Nerds Gummy Clusters 8/10, pretzels 9/10, Doritos 10/10 (only because I don't have to drive with cheesy fingers)

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

If I get to keep it, cash (hush don't tell the IRS). If we're talking texture, then water because it'll dry off.

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

Book: On Earth We're Briefly Gorgeous, by Ocean Vuong

Movie: Your Name (*Kimi no Na Wa*)

TV Show: Heartstopper (can't wait for s3!!!) and Mr. Robot (though I'm only ~halfway through s1)

What is a fun fact about you?

I had a side part for 19 years but I switched to a middle part because the wind treats it better.

What is your favorite decade of music?

2010s hands-down (Ariana?? Katy??? Taylor???? Girlies popped off fr)

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Name: Davis Schmidt

Hometown: Waukee, IA

Major(s): Chemical Engineering



What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

I love spending time with my friends and family, no matter what we are doing. I also enjoy playing guitar and piano. Lastly, I enjoy being active. This includes playing tennis, rock climbing, wake surfing, going on walks, and so many more.

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

When I think of an ideal co-leader, I think of someone who is willing to put in the work to make a successful, but fun class. I want someone who is not just my co-leader but will also be my friend, and will work equally as we best lead our section.

What is your dream job?

As of this week I am switching my major to Chemical Engineering. Potential interests for a future job would be in the food industry or in the medical field. My dream job would be a job where I can work on something that will better people's lives. Additionally, in my future I want a career where I can interact with many different people. I love building communities, so I want to make sure whatever future dream job I am in, I have a great community around me.

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

Warning: I spill all the time. Every. Single. Meal.

What is one item on your bucket list?

Go on vacation with my friends for spring break one year! I think this would be so much fun and definitely a great experience to have during my college years!

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

This might sound boring, but I would be fully content living in Iowa for the rest of my life. The people are so nice, and while the weather may be bad sometimes, the sunsets are beautiful. However, if I were to expand out of Iowa, I would consider living in Texas because my family used to live there, and it is nice and warm!

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?

You can never go wrong with Dr. Pepper. While I am an experimenter when it comes to different drinks, if I were to choose my favorite it would be Dr. Pepper. For food, I would probably get some kind of chips, probably Jalapeno chips.

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

Chocolate syrup!

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

I love Gilmore Girls and Jane the Virgin. I think the big reason I love both is because of the strong family relationships that they have. I love my family and friends, and I can feel this love and warmth that the characters have for one another through the screen, and it makes me so happy.

What is a fun fact about you?

I lived in Germany for 3 years of my life! I moved there when I was 6 months old.

What is your favorite decade of music?

You can never go wrong with the 2010s!

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Name: Emma Seiboldt
Hometown: Victoria, IL
Major(s): Agricultural Studies
Minor(s): N/A



What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

I enjoy watching figure eight races and demo derbies, fishing, and attending country music concerts.

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

I would like to have a co-leader who has held leadership positions in high school, is determined and manages time extremely well, and has an agricultural background.

What is your dream job?

Currently, I am not sure what career path I would like to pursue; however, I want to continue farming on our commercial cattle and grain operation farm. But, I do want to have a career off of the farm, as well.

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

I am a perfectionist, and I want everything to be done as soon as possible!

What is one item on your bucket list?

Next Spring, I want to attend the Agronomy study aboard in Costa Rica over break.

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

I would live back on my family's farm because I am extremely passionate about agriculture, and I would not want to live any other way.

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?

I like to buy an orange monster and the Sala SunChips.

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

OrBeez!!!!

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

My favorite movie would be Beethoven, and my favorite series is Xena the Warrior Princess. They bright back so many childhood memories.

What is a fun fact about you?

A fun fact about me is that I am the seventh generation to be raised on my family's farm, and I grew up showing cattle and chickens.

What is your favorite decade of music?

I would say early 2000s/2010s country music is my favorite.



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Name: Olivia Sharp

Hometown: Dublin, Ohio

**Major(s): Agronomy, Agriculture &
Rural Policy Studies**

Minor(s): N/A

What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

I really enjoy playing games with my friends, DND, building Legos, and needlework crafts like embroidery.

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

My ideal co-leader is someone who is a good planner, enjoyable to be around, and who I can be supported by and who I can support :)

What is your dream job?

I would love to work in Ag Extension, either for a university or for a county,

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

“Can talk about Elvis Presley for hours”

What is one item on your bucket list?

I would like to have a house with a garden that I can grow a decent amount of my food from.

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

I think it would be very cool to live in Alaska, but it would be a bit difficult.

What’s your favorite go-to gas station snack?

Not the biggest fan of gas station food, so probably goldfish crackers?

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

Slime. I think it would have a really weird texture and I would definitely regret it after though.

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

My favorite book is *Johnny Got His Gun*, movie is *Elvis* and TV Show is *Jojo’s Bizarre Adventure*

What is a fun fact about you?

I did Taekwondo for 13 years, and I won States in team sparring!

What is your favorite decade of music?

50s-70s, specifically rockabilly and Country

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Name: Jack Sheridan

Hometown: Chicago, IL

Major(s): Civil Engineering

Minor(s): General Business

What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

I like to hang out with friends, draw, and rock climb.

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

The characteristics that describe my ideal co-leader is someone that is easy to talk with and can promote conversation well with a group.

What is your dream job?

My dream job is to be an ironworker because I really like heights and I think I will enjoy the views. Plus, the people that I would work with would be interesting because you must be kind of crazy to do a job like that.

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

WARNING: this program contains scenes of graphic stupidity among 4 lifelong friends who compete to embarrass each other.

What is one item on your bucket list?

I want to run an ironman in Hawaii with my best friend one day.

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

I would live in Italy because I have been there over winter break and the architecture is breathtaking and overall vibe there is really relaxing.

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?

In Ireland they have these ice-creams that you can get in gas stations there called 99's and there good, If you ever go to Ireland I highly recommend.

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

I'd like to jump in a pool full of anoxic water to see how that feel like or of Nesquik chocolate milk

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

My favorite movie series is Pirates of the Caribbean because it's amazing... at least the first 3 movies are.

What is a fun fact about you?

I lived in Ireland for 3 years

What is your favorite decade of music?

Late 70's early 80's.

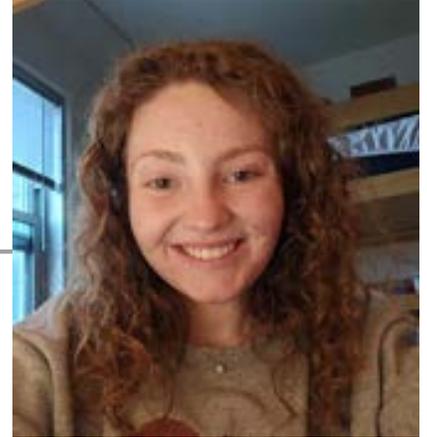
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Name: Molly Sickels

Hometown: Osceola, Iowa

Major(s): Psychology

Minor(s): Human Development and Family Studies
and Criminal Justice



What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

I love to read, crochet, and cook.

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

My ideal co-leader would be organized, have a good sense of humor, and have a positive attitude! I like to have a general plan of how things will go, especially when it comes to my classes, but I also like to go with the flow and keep things interesting!

What is your dream job?

I want to be a forensic psychologist that specializes in working with juveniles in the criminal justice system, I'm not entirely sure if that's possible but that would be my perfect job!

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

WARNING: If you give her any type of sweet, she will keep coming back.

What is one item on your bucket list?

I would love to see the 7 modern wonders of the world.

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

I think that a beach house in a tiny coastal town in Maine would be my dream home. Something about the east coast really appeals to me. I would love the fresh seafood and it would be like living in the setting of a novel!

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?

Nothing beats the Casey's brand salted caramel chocolates, in the bag not the bars, especially when you pair them with a fountain root-beer.

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

I would jump into a pool of Jell-o because of that one scene from *Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs* when Sam Sparks jumps into a pool of Jell-o. I just wonder if you could see through it.

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

I love any type of romance, mystery, or drama book. My favorite TV show is *Friends* and will gladly watch any true-crime documentary.

What is a fun fact about you?

When I'm a passenger in a car I have to wear really goofy glasses that keep me from getting carsick.

What is your favorite decade of music?

70s-80s music has the best vibe!

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Name: Skylar Miller

Hometown: Glen Ellyn, IL

Major: Mechanical Engineering

Minor(s): N/A

What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

I enjoy going on runs outside or painting in my free time!

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

My ideal co-leader is respectful of all people, organized, and has a positive spirit

What is your dream job?

I'd like to work in the design and manufacturing department of an engineering company, that allows me to be creative and offers international opportunities

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

Scary movies are a no-go for me

What is one item on your bucket list?

I would love to see the Northern Lights at some point in my life!

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

I would live in the South of France because it is so beautiful there. I also visited there last year on an exchange trip and enjoyed the people a lot

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?

Gardetto's mix is my favorite gas station snack

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

Orbees!

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

I love to watch Friends reruns!

What is a fun fact about you?

I really love potatoes in all forms

What is your favorite decade of music?

I enjoy 2000s and 2020s

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Name: Matthew Sprout

Hometown: Aurora, IL

Major(s): Actuarial Science

Minor(s): Management Information Systems



What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

Playing video games, hanging out with friends, doom-scrolling on TikTok

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

Someone who is sociable and able to work easily with others, as well as being able to divvy up work/responsibilities fairly.

What is your dream job?

Probably an Actuary, mostly because they make a lot of money and that's pretty much the only job my major converts to.

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

Will get easily distracted by TikTok instead of doing math homework

What is one item on your bucket list?

Do that one zero gravity flight thing because I really can't expect to go to space in my life.

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

Chicago suburbs(home). I'm a big homebody

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?

Starburst minis. They are so bad for you but so good to shovel in my mouth. Either that or the jolly rancher gummies; I tried those recently and they're also really good.

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

Orbeez? I feel like it would feel nice but maybe hard to swim in

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

Kiki's Delivery Service

What is a fun fact about you?

I've been learning Spanish on Duolingo for the past year, I'm not that great yet though.

What is your favorite decade of music?

2000's rap maybe I'm kind of going through an MF DOOM phase right now

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Name: Tessa Strand
Hometown: Brooklyn Park, MN
Major(s): Biomedical Engineering
Minor(s): Psychology



What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

I love sports, the gym, and being active. I also love trying new things like food or music.

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

My ideal co-leader would be outgoing and charismatic but down to earth. I would appreciate someone somewhat organized, proactive, willing to work extra hours with me if needed, and maybe a little goofy.

What is your dream job?

I want to own my own psychiatry practice and research lab.

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

Warning: Not afraid to speak their mind and disagree with others. May also be vocal when someone is in the wrong or being unkind.

What is one item on your bucket list?

One thing on my bucket list that will hopefully be checked off this summer is skydiving.

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

I would live in Sweden. I love the architecture in the cities as well as their values in education, green living, and health care.

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?

Protein cookie, Naked "green machine", or corn nuts.

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

Water, it seems like a boring choice, but I will be cleaner than everyone else and more hydrated!

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

8 mile

What is a fun fact about you?

I am ambidextrous for most small tasks like using scissors, but depending on the sport or what I am doing, I am left and or right-handed. I am also double jointed in my thumbs.

What is your favorite decade of music?

This is a complicated question for me but maybe the 2000s

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Name: Kassidy Sullivan

Hometown: Medina, Minnesota

Major(s): Biology and Statistics

What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

- I love taking walks/exercising outdoors
- I'm an avid reader and nature documentary enthusiast

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

- Upbeat and considerate

What is your dream job?

- Biostatistician!

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

- Warning: will use glitter to solve every problem

What is one item on your bucket list?

- Get a seashell from every sea and every ocean

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

- An Atlantic coastal city, I love the ocean and the warm weather.

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?

- BBQ Pringles or Swedish Fish

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

- Water beads

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

-The Hobbit/Lord of the Rings

What is a fun fact about you?

- I speak 4 languages

What is your favorite decade of music?

- 2000s-2010s

Learn Your Leaders 2024!

Name: Bridget Sullivan
Hometown: Chicago, IL
Major(s): Computer Science
Minor(s): N/A



What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

I love to hang out with my friends, listen to music, and scroll tik tok.

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

An ideal co-leader would be hardworking and funny

What is your dream job?

My dream job is being a quantitative analyst and a trophy wife

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

If I had a warning label it would say once you get me talking, I will not stop talking

What is one item on your bucket list?

One item on my bucket list is to be an extra on Law and Order

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

If I could choose to live anywhere, I would choose to live in either Chicago or Ireland.

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?

My go to gas station snack is Cheez its

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

I would like to jump into a pool of orbeez

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

My favorite movie is Ferris Bullers Day Off

What is a fun fact about you?

A fun fact about me is that I have broken my arm 4 times.

What is your favorite decade of music?

60s – 70s

Learn Your Leaders 2024!

Name: Ayaan Syed

Hometown: Singapore

Major(s): Computer Science, Mathematics with Applications



What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

Basketball+Lifting , Watching shows/anime , Hanging out with friends

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

Someone who has similar interests, is just chill like that, is responsible and reliable.

What is your dream job?

Doing/Inventing something in the field of artificial intelligence

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

Warning: Might overthink every now and then

What is one item on your bucket list?

Going to Europe (literally any country)

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

Singapore - it's a nice place with a lot of dear memories

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?

Not a huge snack guy but I'd say Sour Skittles

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

Water :)

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

Favourite Show - Dragon Ball Z

Favourite Movie - Across the Spiderverse

What is a fun fact about you?

I did a Michael Jackson dance routine with 2 of my best friends for a talent show once back in 6th grade; we got 3rd

What is your favorite decade of music?

Definitely 2010s

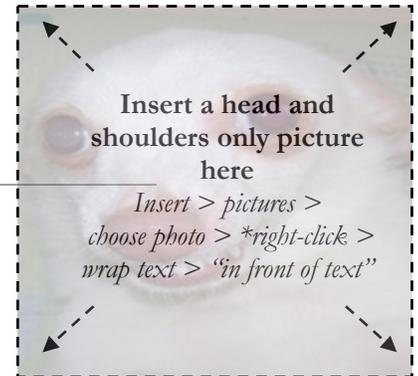
Learn Your Leaders 2024!

Name: Sarah Thiel

Hometown: Carmel, IN

Major(s): Biology

Minor(s): Genetics



What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

I enjoy binge watching shows, hanging out with my friends, shopping, working out, and going to orange leaf.

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

Fun, outgoing, easy-going, and funny!

What is your dream job?

I want to be a neo-natal/pediatric surgeon!

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

I am a yapper. I am very outgoing and talkative and can find a way to have a conversation just about anything.

What is one item on your bucket list?

I would like to travel all over Europe.

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

I would live in Amsterdam??! I actually don't know there are so many cool places out there.

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?

Gardetto's Chex mix and Dr. Pepper

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

Orbeez

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

My favorite movie is When Harry Met Sally

What is a fun fact about you?

I have 2 big dogs named Gus and Macy.

What is your favorite decade of music?

Any decade of Taylor Swift

Learn Your Leaders 2024!

Name: Josh Trimberger
Hometown: Cedar Lake, Indiana
Major(s): Mechanical Engineering
Minor(s):



What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

I enjoy watching Iowa State sports as well as going outside and enjoying nature. I've recently gotten into disc golf.

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

My ideal co-leader would be someone who I can depend on to get things done as well as somebody who is creative and can come up with new ideas.

What is your dream job?

My dream job would have something to do with space. That's always been something I've found so cool and if I could choose to do anything I'd want to fuel that wonder.

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

May ask you to repeat what you said multiple times.

What is one item on your bucket list?

I really want to see the northern lights.

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

I would probably choose to live on a big lake in the Midwest because then you get to still experience all four seasons and have a really fun time in the summer.

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?

Yellow Gatorade and gummy worms.

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

Jellybeans

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

La La Land

What is a fun fact about you?

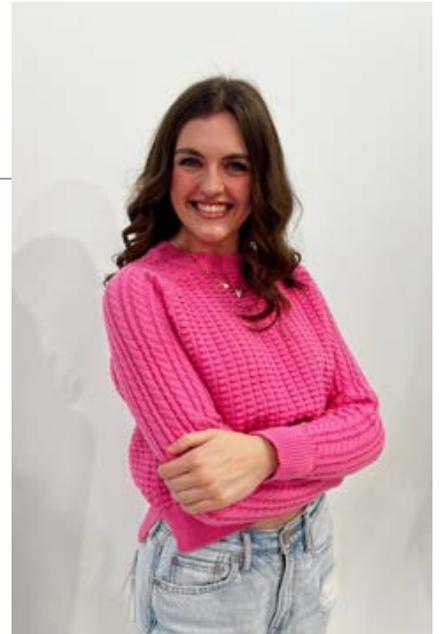
I have a twin brother as well as two older sisters who are twins, so there are two sets of twins in my family.

What is your favorite decade of music?

70's

Learn Your Leaders 2024!

Name: Campbell Valline
Hometown: Urbandale, Iowa
Major(s): Political Science
Minor(s): Women's and Gender Studies



What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

I love to binge a good TV show and spending time with my friends.

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

Outgoing, kind, and hardworking!

What is your dream job?

I want to be an attorney.

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

Will talk about Taylor Swift for hours if prompted.

What is one item on your bucket list?

I want to visit all 50 states!

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

In the states I would choose Martha's Vineyard, MA or Boston but I would love to live in Italy as well.

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?

Peach tea and puppy chow

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

Jello

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

My favorite TV show is probably Criminal Minds.

What is a fun fact about you?

I held a wild stingray.

What is your favorite decade of music?

I would say the era of music we are in right now is awesome.

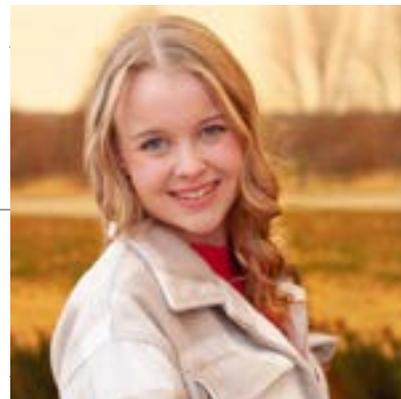
Learn Your Leaders 2024!

Name: Ella VanHeuverswyn

Hometown: Waukee, Iowa

Major(s): Biology and Kinesiology Pre Health

Minor(s): N/A



What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

I love to journal, visit and explore different coffee shops, and hiking!

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

My ideal co-leader would be anyone who is caring, clever, positive, and passionate about what they do. Being able to communicate well is important too!

What is your dream job?

My dream job is to be a Sports Medicine Doctor, or an orthopedic surgeon.

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

Warning: likes to engage in midwestern goodbyes and may significantly delay your departure.

What is one item on your bucket list?

To go to a lantern festival or go scuba diving.

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

Florida Keys! I love the weather, the location, the people, and that there are wild chickens running around.

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?

KitKats and a white monster.

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

I would jump into a pool full of puppies.

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

Barbie and the Bachelor

What is a fun fact about you?

I love to read and write poetry.

What is your favorite decade of music?

2000s music

Learn Your Leaders 2024!

Name: Isabelle Vermeer
Hometown: Rockford, IL
Major: Electrical Engineering
Minor: German LCP



What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

In my leisure time, I like to wind down from busy weeks with naps, coloring, and/or watching movies and shows with roommates and friends.

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

I would ideally work with someone empathetic, creative, affable, and productive when necessary. I'd love it if they have a similar major, whether a similar engineering major or another STEM major.

What is your dream job?

My ideal dream job is to work as an electrical engineer in power and distribution systems in the renewable energy field.

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

Warning: will stay awake until 3:00 am working on homework or studying while wired on caffeine, sometimes (or often) getting distracted by random rabbit holes

What is one item on your bucket list?

I'd love to visit the Netherlands in the Spring, especially when tulip fields are in full bloom.

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

If I could live anywhere, I'd probably choose Berlin, Germany, because of its size, culture, and location.

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?

I don't really get snacks from gas stations, but I usually get an energy drink or two when I'm on a road trip.

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

Kinetic sand :)

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

Favorite Books: *Their Eyes Were Watching God* by Zora Neale Hurston, *Mort* by Terry Pratchett, and *Klara and the Sun* by Kazuo Ishiguro

Favorite Movies: *The Secret Life of Walter Mitty*, *Pitch Perfect*, and *Ponyo*

Favorite TV Shows: I always go back to *The Office*, but I've recently loved watching *Ted Lasso*

What is a fun fact about you?

I love nature and animals; if I'm at a party, you'd most likely see me next to a dog, cat, or any other kind of pet there.

What is your favorite decade of music?

My favorite decades of music are probably the 70s-90s, with various genres from each.

Learn Your Leaders 2024!

Name: Lauren Vierregger
Hometown: Omaha Nebraska
Major(s): Agronomy, Horticulture
Minor(s):



What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

I enjoy playing video games, gardening, and watching movies pretending I am a movie critic.

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

Someone who I can bounce energy and ideas off of. My ideal Co-leader would be someone who just wants to vibe and have fun with our group next semester!

What is your dream job?

Working in a greenhouse growing flowers and plants from seed or working with pollinator insects and implementing sustainable gardens across cities.

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

Beware: Very stressed on a daily basis.

What is one item on your bucket list?

To try authentic soup dumplings!

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

A small town/house in the Midwest with a big backyard where I can freely garden and have a nice small community. Somewhere that isn't miles and miles of suburbs.

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?

Cheese and Sour Cream Ruffles and classic Pringles.

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

Water hopefully

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

Favorite TV show -Arcane

Movie- Little Women

Book- Enders Game

What is a fun fact about you?

I am very much a cat person; dogs make me skittish.

What is your favorite decade of music?

2010's Pop

Learn Your Leaders 2024!

Name: Bryce Vining
Hometown: Bettendorf, IA
Major(s): Meteorology
Minor(s): N/A



What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

In my free time I enjoy playing chess, reading, and racquetball.

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

Curious, friendly, and positive.

What is your dream job?

My dream job would be forecasting at the National Hurricane Center.

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

Warning: Overthinks everything

What is one item on your bucket list?

I would really like to visit and hike at Glacier National Park in Montana.

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

If given the choice I would likely live in Jackson, Wyoming. It's a very nice town just below the magnificent Grand Teton Mountain range and very close to Yellowstone National Park.

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?

Lenny and Larry's The Complete Cookie

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

I would jump into a pool of pudding.

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

My favorite book is *Watership Down* by Richard Adams.

What is a fun fact about you?

I really like Huckleberry chocolate and Huckleberry Soda which I use to make Huckleberry Floats. Unfortunately, since huckleberries don't grow in Iowa I have to order from Montana.

What is your favorite decade of music?

2010s?

Learn Your Leaders 2024!

Name: Jenna Whalen

Hometown: Johnston, IA

Major(s): Advertising

Minor(s): Data Science, Design Studies



What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

Reading, watching Dance Moms, sleeping

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

Outgoing, creative

What is your dream job?

Working for a creative advertising agency

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

Warning: product may contain anxiety

What is one item on your bucket list?

Visiting castles in Ireland!

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

Lucca, Italy. It's the cutest little town you'll ever see and not many people know about it. It just seems like one of those places that someone would go to live their perfect life in the movies.

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?

Energy drinks and popcorn

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

Pillows (I love napping)

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

Phineas and Ferb is great for any situation

What is a fun fact about you?

I have a phobia of stickers

What is your favorite decade of music?

Probably 70s/80s though I love a good 2000s bop



Learn Your Leaders 2024!

Name: Gabriel (Gabe) Winandar

Hometown: Chino Hills, CA

Major(s): Aerospace Engineering

Minor(s): Non-Destructive Evaluation

What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

I enjoy watching movies, playing on my VR, also coding on my computer.

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

I prefer a person who is chill and is willing to speak on their concerns. Someone who is serious but also fun to talk to, so not too serious.

What is your dream job?

To be head researcher in the Aerospace Industry which I hope will grow to me opening my own Aerospace Firm

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

Do not mention research or airplanes, you will not hear the end of it.

What is one item on your bucket list?

I want to get my pilot license at some point.

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

I would like to live in Southern California as the weather is nice and there is a lot to do there (I am also from there).

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?

I like to get myself a hotdog every now and then

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

I would like to jump into a pool of Chocolate Pudding.

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

Any Quentin Tarantino Movie I enjoy although I prefer Django Unchained

What is a fun fact about you?

I used to be on the Chinese Lion Dance team for 4 years in high school.

What is your favorite decade of music?

2010s or 80s

Learn Your Leaders 2024!

Name: Alex Young

Hometown: Johnston, IA

Major(s): CS & Math



What two or three things do you enjoy doing with your leisure time?

I like to play video games, chill with my friends, and weight lifting

What characteristics describe your ideal co-leader?

Extremely enthusiastic and maybe a little bit nice

What is your dream job?

ANYTHING THAT I LIKE TO DO THAT MAKES LIVEABLE MONEY (probably SWE :D)

If you had a warning label, what would yours say?

EXTREMELY funny, smart, handsome, and humble

What is one item on your bucket list?

Buy my parents a house (after buying myself a house)

If you could live anywhere, where would you choose and why?

SWEDEN ❤️

What's your favorite go-to gas station snack?

FUNYUNSSSSSS

If you could jump into a pool of anything, what would it be full of?

FUNYUNS!!!

What is your favorite book, movie, or TV show?

The Lego Batman Movie

What is a fun fact about you?

Certified V3 climber 😊(i did like 2 v3's at lied)

What is your favorite decade of music?

2020s 🤪