2020 WSWA EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM RECIPIENTS





Jaden Anderson

University of Wisconsin Madison General Beverage Sales Co.

This scholarship will help me and my family be able to afford tuition, textbooks and living expenses, allowing me to continue to pursue my degree in Mechanical engineering. This scholarship will help us avoid going into too much debt as we would have had to take out some loans in place of this award.

This year in college I'm looking forward to exploring new clubs and organizations that are offered on campus, as well as applying for internships so I can gain some real business experience. I'm also looking forward to learning more in depth chemistry and calculus concepts, and improving my communication skills this year.





Iris Archer

St. Bonaventure University Fedway Associates, Inc.

This scholarship helps my family finance my education which is crucial, especially now. I am so thankful for everything my parents have done to help me receive a college education and this scholarship is just one way I can help and show them how grateful I am.

This year, I am looking forward to getting more hands-on experience in the classroom as I study to become a teacher. I am also incredibly excited to train and compete in my first year as a member of the St. Bonaventure Women's Cross Country and Track teams. Though the world seems uncertain during this time, I still look towards the future with optimism and hope.







Jacob Barth

William & Mary Virginia Imports, Ltd.

I'm honored to have been selected to be a recipient of the 2020 WSWA scholarship! This scholarship will go towards paying for my tuition, room & board, and many other school expenses. I look forward to starting

my journey at William and Mary as a Russian and International Relations double major while continuing my passion for music by working at the college radio station and joining music ensembles.





Zachary Brown

Lorain County Community College Heidelberg Distributing Co.

This scholarship will give me the opportunity to take more classes that will benefit my future career. I will be transferring to the University of Toledo or Kent State University in the fall 2021 to finish out my bachelors in political science and the extra boost from this scholarship will be a tremendous help. I am in my sophomore year of college and with most of my general education classes out of the way I am excited to dive into my political science and law classes even though it will all be online. I have always been fascinated with these topics and cannot wait to learn more about them and apply them to my future.





James DeRosa

York College of Pennsylvania Opici Family Distributing

I want to thank you again for choosing me for this scholarship. I am honored and grateful to be one of the fifty two students selected for this prestigious award. My father will be celebrating his 44th anniversary working for the Opici Family Distributing this year.

This Scholarship helps my family and I reduce the financial burden of my College education. This year I am looking forward to getting started into my finance major which I'm hoping can get me a successful career once I graduate. I also am looking forward to meeting new people and experiencing living on my own.







Kevin Dick

Henderson State University Southern Glazer's Wine & Spirits

Now in my 3rd year of college, I am looking forward to the upper level courses surrounding my academic major in Data Science. Unfortunately, our football season has been postponed, however, our team continues our strength & conditioning training and will prepare hard for our Spring season.





Zoe Dickson

Louisiana State University - Baton Rouge Southern Glazer's Wine & Spirits

As a first-year Studio Art major, I am excited for the opportunity to improve on my art skills at LSU. Additionally, despite COVID-19, I am looking forward to experiencing college life at a University with Louisiana's rich culture and history.





Sophie Dorgan

Millikin University Breakthru Beverage Group

I am so thankful to receive this scholarship as it will help minimize the financial burdens of attending college. I am looking forward to my freshman year where I can pursue a degree in biology and gain a good foundation for medical school. I also can't wait to meet new people, attend challenging classes, and play collegiate soccer.







Ivy Doyle

University of North Carolina at Asheville Empire Distributors, Inc. (Kahn Ventures, Inc.)

This scholarship helps me greatly, especially with the current affects of COVID-19 on everyone in my family's work. I'm looking forward to studying world history and how it has impacted our current society. I also look forward to exploring campus life once everything has opened back up.



Danielle Elliott

Northern Illinois University Southern Glazer's Wine & Spirits

With this being the last year of my undergraduate program, I am excited to find ways to better connect with my professors and classmates virtually and grow my connections within the communications world. This scholarship allows me to focus solely on my studies, and know I am financially assisted in my academic journey.





Abrielle Felmlee

University of Wisconsin - Eau Claire Badger Liquor Co.

Receiving this scholarship will help me greatly with this year's school expenses, specifically my tuition. As I enter my junior year, I am really looking forward to starting my major-focused classes. I am a marketing-sales major, and I am eager to learn more about what my future will look like!







Margaret FitzSimons

Arizona State University Breakthru Beverage Group

I am looking forward to being able to make many new connections while following my passion for learning. I'm thankful that the scholarship will help me financially in my pursuit of a degree in Nursing. I'm excited to meet new people that share my passion, have new experiences and help others that will benefit me and in my future career.





Alejandro Forero

University of Central Florida Southern Glazer's Wine & Spirits

This scholarship will make an extensive difference in my education. With the money given to me, I can now maximize my college experience without having to worry so much about my expenses. I will be able to dedicate all my energy to my classes and extracurricular activities, making sure I am taking in all the knowledge and experience I need to be successful in my career. I am confident this scholarship will make a great difference in my journey of becoming a great computer science student.





Maelyn Fulton

Purdue University Southern Glazer's Wine & Spirits

I am beyond blessed and excited to receive this award! I am so thankful for my family and teachers, who have supported me throughout this journey. I cannot wait to further study neurophysiology and all the wonderful opportunities it will bring.







Jack Gibbs

University of Michigan Great Lakes Wine & Spirits

This scholarship helps my family pay for my undergraduate education at the University of Michigan. I really look forward to studying economics and the practical applications of economics in finance. I plan to join lots of investment clubs to make connections, and eventually I hope to transfer into the BBA program.





Abby Hagen

Boston University Allied Beverage Group, LLC

This scholarship will help me and my family pay my tuition at Boston University. BU is my dream school and I am fortunate to be attending my second year as a Marine Science major. This year I am particularly looking forward to exploring different on campus

organizations as well as seeking out internships in the marine science/policy field. I hope to grow and achieve success this year, especially during this uncertain new way of attending college.





Gabrielle Harget

University of Toledo Heidelberg Distributing Co.

I'm in my senior year of my social work undergraduate school and I am already learning so much about working in inter-professional teams and the resources available to give people the best help possible. I am currently an intern for a medical social worker with Mercy Health and learning more than I can comprehend about assisting people in the medical field. I am looking forward to interacting with more and more patients and learning how I can better care for them by pouring my heart into my practice.







Kilian Hernandez

Eastern Kentucky University Republic National Distributing Company

This school year, I look forward to earning my Private Pilot License. I'm halfway there and have about 25 more flight hours to go. This scholarship will assist me in paying towards those hours.





Cole Higgins

Hartford Community College Breakthru Beverage Group

This scholarship helps me achieve my life goals of becoming an FBI Agent and serving in the US Army. This scholarship will allow me to go to college and receive my degree in Criminal Justice which will help me become an agent, and it will also allow me to serve as an officer in the Army and lead from the front. This scholarship also helps my family out because I have a twin brother who is also in college and this is a huge help for us as a family. Thank you for this opportunity!





Cherese Jackson

Kean University Breakthru Beverage Group

This really helps me and my family by taking a financial burden off of our backs this year. I really look forward to learning more about the career I may want to pursue and meeting more people like me and becoming friends with them hopefully!







Jordan Kasoff

Rochester Institute of Technology Breakthru Beverage Group

I am so thankful to be awarded the WSWA scholarship. This scholarship will help relieve the financial burden of my education for my family and I. While I am currently on co-op this semester getting real-world experience, I am excited to apply what I have learned to my classes and further my career in Computer Security.





Avianna Lal

Estrella Mountain Community College Southern Glazer's Wine & Spirits

I am so grateful to have received this Scholarship. This helps me with this upcoming college year as I am able to pay for tuition and textbooks required for my classes. This year I am looking forward to getting my A.A.S degree in December and eventually starting the nursing program in January 2021.





Brendan Ludwig

Missouri State University Southern Glazer's Wine & Spirits

This scholarship will help me fund college and be able to participate in college activities, since I am primarily responsible for my college tuition. I have decided to pursue an MBA, with a possible minor in Finance or Marketing. After exploring what Missouri State has to offer, I have decided to join a fraternity, and am currently a Sigma Pi pledge. I realized how a fraternity can maximize my experience at college by having GPA requirements, study hall hours, and the brotherhood you acquire while being away from your family. Since there are so many COVID restrictions this year, I am also hoping that I have the opportunity to play and lead an intramural basketball team for the fraternity this winter.







Ciara Lynch

New York University Breakthru Beverage Group

This year, I really am looking forward to learning more about Environmental Science and the history of labor in the United States. I think that each of these disciplines are extremely important and relevant to current events, and I would like to learn more about them so that I can integrate them into my interest in fashion and hopefully find a way to have an environmentally conscious and socially beneficial position in the fashion industry.





Maya McGuigan

Arizona State University Southern Glazer's Wine & Spirits

This year I look forward to working within a hospital to gain a tactile sense of my chosen field. I am excited to begin my journey towards becoming a nurse and then continuing on to attain a doctorate in Nursing Practice.





Amber McWilliams

University of Nevada, Las Vegas Breakthru Beverage Group

This year I am really looking forward to starting my dual majors in Elementary Education and Psychology. I am excited to gain more knowledge and experiences in my higher up major class. I am thrilled to learn and grown deeper in my education so I can one day make a difference in the lives of our future students. I am so beyond grateful to get the opportunity to receive this scholarship to be able to afford a dual major and have a greater opportunity for my future.







Jillian Nadolski

Savannah College of Art and Design Republic National Distributing Company

Because of Covid, I lost the RA position that would have paid for my housing this year and financially, I have had to stay home in Michigan instead of getting to have my senior year experiences on campus. Receiving additional scholarship money has relieved some of the stress of trying to figure out how I am going to pay for the rest of my education at SCAD and allows me to focus on finishing my degree. I look forward to developing my senior projects that will strengthen my design profile as I enter the professional realm upon graduating SCAD in the spring of 2021.





Scott Oderio

Simpson College Southern Glazer's Wine & Spirits

This award is huge for my family, this semester my mother is putting three children through school. It's nice to help out and lighten the load, it lifts some stress that I would I have to deal with later on down the road. My school is offering in-person classes this fall, I am really looking forward to the last class in my Sport Administration degree, where we tour and design

facilities, like athletic complexes and public parks. It's the culmination of my major and all the work of my prerequisites coming together. I am really excited for life to get back to normal, I had two internships cancelled during the lockdown and I'm just excited to be working within my field out of school.





Amanda Padilla

Mills College Young's Market Company

I've finally reached my senior year at Mills College and this award money will relieve some stress as I finish up. I'm obviously really looking forward to my degree, but in the meantime, I plan on doing my best to live in this moment. I'm extremely involved on campus and look forward to making even greater impacts in my final year by participating in student government and joining a group of trustees to make large college decisions. Finally, shout out to my parents, Mom and Dad, you will always continue to inspire me. There is no love greater than



yours.





Nick Pariani

University of Nevada, Reno Young's Market Company

This scholarship really helps me and my family because I did not qualify for any out-of-state tuition pay cuts that the University offers. This means that we are paying out-of-state tuition which is much more expensive than if I received a pay reduction. I am very thankful that I am one of very few chosen for this scholarship.





Emma Parkington

Russell Sage College Ruby Wines, Inc.

This scholarship helps my family and I a great deal. My grades are imperative to me and without this scholarship I wouldn't be able to focus on them as much as I would like to. It allows me to use my free time to study and properly prepare for my academics, while taking some of the financial burden off of my family and I. I start my real nursing courses this semester and I am especially interested in starting my clinical rotations in the hospital! It is so exciting to finally learn in







Delaney Puhalla

University of Tennessee Republic National Distributing Company

There are many things I am looking forward to about this upcoming year, as I am progressing further in my degree I would have to say I am most excited about the opportunity to participate in specific major-based classes. In the pre-medical track this means more opportunities to be hands on which is something I can't wait to experience.







Sebastian Quintana

Florida International University Southern Glazer's Wine & Spirits

This scholarship will allow me to relieve the financial burden that higher education often imposes onto others. My parents have worked hard to motivate me to pursue higher education and with this scholarship, I am able to pay back all those years of hard work. Over this next academic year, I am looking forward to making connections with professors of my upper-level biochemistry classes and continuing my pursuit of medicine.





Gabriella Ramirez

Farleigh Dickinson University Allied Beverage Group, LLC

This scholarship helps me achieve a higher education, and helps me make my Hispanic-American parents proud by avoiding the statistics. I can't wait to learn about my major in business and how to manage money.





Kaitlyn Reimer

University of Cincinnati Heidelberg Distributing Co.

This scholarship really helps me in my ability to further my education. I am grateful for the opportunity to be where I am. In the future at University of Cincinnati, I hope to participate in research and possibly get my masters degree in Biology. After college, I plan to work with the conservation of endangered plant and animal species.







Katlyn Reynolds

University of Florida Southern Glazer's Wine & Spirits

This scholarship helps me with funding the education I need to eventually help children in my future career as a child clinical psychologist. This year I am looking forward to socially distanced events, learning more about psychology, and being a research and teaching assistant. I am also excited to see what graduate school I will attend next fall!





Yareliz Rivera

University of Puerto Rico, Mayagüez Campus Breakthru Beverage Group

I am grateful to be one of the recipients of the WSWA Educational Scholarship for this year. During this difficult pandemic my college classes have changed to remotely online. This new method of learning requires other technology costs, such as reliable internet access, online educational platforms, and the facilities of a computer. This scholarship helps me with the cost of my tuition for the next semester and the additional expenses I need to accomplish this academic year with ease. I look forward to continuing my academic journey adapting to this online learning experience and explore possible internships for my career as a chemical engineer. Your help will bring me one step closer to achieving my





Sebastian Rivero

goals.

Miami Dade College Southern Glazer's Wine & Spirits

This scholarship will help me focus more of my time and energy into schoolwork and studying. The money provided by the foundation will assist in paying for future books and tuition. My goal for the rest of the fall semester and upcoming spring term is to gain a really deep understanding of topics related to my career. I'm looking forward to applying the knowledge I gain to internships or research programs in the very near future.







Cameron Sabiston

East Carolina University Empire Distributors, Inc. (Kahn Ventures, Inc.)

The main thing this scholarship helps me with is the costs of books for my classes. These expenses add up quickly and I'm very grateful that I don't have to worry about these costs. This also helps with living expenses and food costs while I'm at ECU. I'm very excited to begin classes in my chosen major. In the past, I was majoring in Accounting but recently changed my mind. I have ended up choosing Computer Science. I have

completed most of my General Education classes and will begin taking my core classes in the coming months.





Breanna Schroeder

Kansas State University Standard Beverage Corp.

This scholarship helps my family and me by providing financial assistance that will allow me to pursue my dream career. It enables me to cut back on working hours and reduces the financial strain of paying for my education that is necessary for my future goals. Thanks to this scholarship I will be able to spend more time shadowing, which will advance me in my career, and volunteering, which is something that I hold close to my heart! This year I am especially excited because I am beginning to advance into upper-level classes that are of more interest to me! Many of these prominent science courses I will begin to take are more difficult, but the challenge excites me as I prepare for my future career!





Isabelle Shuster

Augsburg University Southern Glazer's Wine & Spirits

This scholarship that I have so graciously received will help me not have to deal with student loans after I graduate. I am excited for this opportunity to help make my experience at Augsburg that much better. At Augsburg I am studying exercise science and psychology with the goal of entering Augsburg's physician assistant program after I graduate.







Kaitlyn Sklow

Montclair State University Opici Family Distributing

This scholarship has helped my family immensely with the financial burden of my education. I now have the ability to work less hours and place more emphasis on my studies to become an art educator. In upcoming semesters, I am excited to work with students in my teaching observations as well as explore new artistic mediums. I am endlessly grateful to WSWA for their generosity in supporting the future of art education!





Ashlyn Smith

Utah State University Breakthru Beverage Group

This school year I'm looking forward to applying the marketing techniques that I am learning to my own photography. I hope to apply all that I learn to working in the field of media. This year I will be getting married

and this scholarship is an amazing gift to help my fiance and I prepare for our future so that someday we can raise children who will also seek to learn. This also helps me feel motivated to work hard in my classes so that I can show my appreciation for others investing in my future.





McKenzie Smith

Southern Utah University Breakthru Beverage Group

Receiving the WSWA scholarship will help me get closer to my career goals. With this scholarship I am able to continue my education and focus more on my studies rather than worry so much about finances for this upcoming school year. I am a junior at Southern

Utah University studying elementary education with minors in special education and art in hopes of becoming an elementary special education teacher or even an elementary art teacher. This year I am looking forward to being in class with my peers, and I can't wait to gain classroom experience by engaging with students in the classroom or over video chat. I want to be one of the people in their lives to make an impact in their educational careers and make school a place where they want to be, not where they have to be. Again, thank you Wine and Spirits Wholesalers of America for their generosity so I can follow my dreams.







Taylor Snider

Southwestern Illinois College Donnewald Distributing Co.

I am sincerely honored to have been selected as one of the recipients for the 2020 WSWA Scholarship. Your generous contribution will help me financially towards my school tuition and textbooks. I am beyond excited to announce that I will be completing my degree as a Registered Radiologic Technologist and begin my career in the medical field in eight months! To me,

being awarded this scholarship proves hard work does pay off in the end! Thank you again for this opportunity.





Barbara Sogoloff

University of Vermont Martignetti Companies

I am so grateful for this scholarship, which will allow me to continue my education at the University of Vermont, where I am studying exercise science. With this scholarship I hope to begin saving towards getting my doctorate of Physical Therapist. This semester I am especially excited to be doing research with one of my professors. We are looking at the effects dual-tasking has on the cognitive ability and fall risk in patients with Multiple Sclerosis.





Alexandra Stransky

University of Missouri - Columbia Major Brands Premium Beverage Distributors

This scholarship helps me and my family pay to finish school and become a registered respiratory therapist (RRT). This year in school I am very excited to have my NICU AND pediatric clinicals so I can learn to work with kids. My dream is to work at Mercy STL in the NICU.







Jack Sweeney

Lawrence University Young's Market Company

This generous scholarship helps me work towards my dreams of playing college football and baseball as I pursue my career in neurology. I am really looking forward to expanding my knowledge of the brain and science of the body while achieving all my academic and athletic goals during my college journey.





Paige Thompson

University of Alabama Empire Distributors, Inc. (Kahn Ventures, Inc.)

As my dream has been to attend a large SEC school, this scholarship will help my family offset the cost of out-of-state tuition at the University of Alabama. While at Alabama, I will be pursuing a degree in Political Science with a minor in International Studies. My eventual goal is to work at the United Nations or in upper level national government. Depending on the world atmosphere in the next couple of years, I would like to do a study abroad to support my major. Outside of my classwork, I plan to participate in student government and philanthropic activities at UA. Finding ways to be involved in both the university and the surrounding

community is very important to me.





Trevor Turnbow

Boston University Southern Glazer's Wine & Spirits

Applying to this scholarship for me was to try and give back to my parents who are supporting me financially to pursue my dreams at the collegiate level. Going to college for theater, or any art, is usually considered "risky" but my parents have been nothing but supportive of me pursuing my passion throughout college & in life- so this really is for them for being so incredible. I'm extremely excited to be attending Boston University- School of Theater for acting, one of the top programs in the country! I think I'm most excited for my movement class- getting to learn to be more in touch with my body and with the language of movement!







Kyra Yoder

Saint Leo University Southern Glazer's Wine & Spirits

One thing I am really looking forward to the year is doing an internship for a local sheriff's department. I am excited to do this because I can get college credit for it which will help me graduate early. I am very thankful to have won this scholarship because it will help me pay for that and other classes! It will also help me to buy a car in order to get to the internship site.





Ryan Zavorka

University of Wisconsin - Madison Capitol-Husting Co.

I am truly honored to receive such a generous scholarship from WSWA. This scholarship will help ease the financial pressures that college can bring and make me focus more on the other difficulties in the world right now.

