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Objectives

At Iowa State University, I study political science and research rural policy. My classwork is focused on American government and political theory, which gives me the combined ability to theoretically analyze major public policy issues while having a pragmatic end-goal in mind. Following graduation in the spring of 2022, I am seeking full-time employment in areas of government affairs, public policy, and legislative relations.

Education

Iowa State University – Ames, Iowa | August 2018 – Present

Pursuing a Bachelor's in Political Science
Student Body President 2020-2021
GPA: 4.00 / 4.00

Related Experience

State of Iowa Juvenile Justice Advisory Council

Member: July 2021 – Present

- Appointed by the governor to represent the youth viewpoint on best practices for the state's juvenile justice system

LS2group – Des Moines, Iowa

Government Affairs Intern: May 2021 – August 2021

- Worked with the Government Affairs department to perform issue research, attend fundraising/PAC events, and shadow client meetings

Capitol Strategies Group, Inc. – Des Moines, Iowa

Lobbying Intern: January 2021 – May 2021

- Communicated with elected officials of Iowa's legislative branch on a day-to-day basis
- Performed research and advocacy on behalf of various business organizations/associations, while building and upkeeping client relationships

Iowa State University – Ames, Iowa

Alpha Delta Pi Sorority: August 2018 – Present

Renaming Committee: April 2021 – Present

- Appointed by President Wintersteen to analyze and discuss requests for renaming of university buildings and property

Carrie Chapman Catt Legacy of Heroines Scholar: March 2018 – Present

- Engaging in a scholarship program awarded for knowledge and leadership in the political process and public service

President Wendy Wintersteen's Leadership Class Advisor: August 2018 – May 2020

- Cultivated relationships with freshmen students at weekly classes with President Wintersteen and various campus and community leaders, working to mentor them at the beginning of their leadership journey

Cyclone Aide: January 2019 – January 2020

- Facilitated orientation for 8,000 incoming students in the office of New Student Programs, interacting directly with students and families
 - Planned and administered a large-scale event with 5,000 attendees during Destination Iowa State, the event that welcomes first-year students to campus
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Activities

Student Government

Student Body President: March 2020 – Present

- Elected to represent the 34,000 undergraduate and graduate students that attend Iowa State University
- Served as the chief representative of the student voice on university committees and initiatives, including COVID-19 response, principles of renaming for university buildings and monuments, interviews for deans and senior vice presidents, etc.
- Introduced an Income Share Agreement Program proposal in order to make college more accessible and affordable by working with the Board of Regents to study the proposal for Iowa's public universities (ongoing project)
- Worked on various projects, including creating a paper towel composting pilot program, expanding recycling compactors on campus, creating a parent-friendly study space in the library, hosting a campus climate forum, and advocating for Open Educational Resources and affordable course materials
- Served as the Collegiate Panhellenic Council and a Legislative Ambassador prior to this position, working to allocate \$2.7 million in student activity fees and advocate for medical amnesty and affordable college education policies through communication with Iowa's legislature

State of Iowa Youth Advisory Council (SIYAC) – Iowa Department of Human Rights | Member: June 2016 – June 2018

- Served as one of 21 members from across the state of Iowa by working closely with state legislators on issues important to Iowa's youth by creating, finding sponsors for, and lobbying for various pieces of legislation
- Successfully advocated and passed a bill, signed by Governor Terry Branstad, that changed Iowa's voting registration age from 18 to 17, allowing individuals that will be 18 by the general election to vote in the primary elections of state officials
- Advocated for other legislation, such as required finance education in all Iowa high schools – which became law after my time on the council

Honors & Awards

Top 2% of class at Iowa State University | *Junior, Sophomore, Freshman*

Kappa Alpha Theta “High Flyer” Award *Recipient: March 2021*

- Awarded to a female leader with exemplary leadership skills, involvement in university and professional organizations, and outstanding community service
- Largest leadership scholarship offered at Iowa State

“Faces of Iowa State” Collection *Recipient: March 2021*

- Inducted into the portrait collection series, painted by Iowa artist Rose Frantzen, for contributions to the university and resiliency during the time of COVID-19

Phi Beta Kappa *Recipient: March 2021*

- Nation’s oldest and most prestigious honor society, awarded to 30 juniors at Iowa State University in 2021

Cardinal Key Honor Society *Recipient: March 2021*

- Iowa State’s highest honorary society, with membership selection offered on the basis of scholarship, leadership, service, and character
- 1/3 of the top 1% of juniors are inducted

Iowa State University Sorority & Fraternity Member of the Year | *April 2020*

The E. Wayne Cooley “Iowa Girl” Scholarship *Recipient: March 2018*

- Awarded to one female high school athlete in the state of Iowa each year
- “The recipient of this award is recognized as being representative of the most elite of the superlative Iowa Girl, not only on the playing field, but also in the classroom, in her school and in her community. Her profile will reflect discipline, perseverance, character, citizenship, and leadership, which personified the life and expectations of E. Wayne Cooley.”