AWS1 Jonathan Clement Memorial Scholar

Christopher Junior Cruz

Virginia Beach, VA

Duke University

Year: Freshman

Major: Psychology/Theater/ Documentary

Studies Certificate

Activities:

- Duke Hoof 'N' Horn, Producer, Director & Actor
- Duke Improv Team, Video Director
- Virginia Boys State, elected Lt. Governor
- Volunteer: Scott Carter Foundation, Camp Counselor at Drama Camp, Operation Smile Club-Executive Board Member
- Summer Employment: OUNO Productions
- Year-Round Employment: Cosmital Inc.-web designer, Duke Fundraising Call Center



It is a tremendous honor to be a WOASF scholarship recipient. Living in Virginia Beach, we are blessed with common reminders of the Naval Aviation community in the form of jets flying overhead at regular intervals. The sound of freedom is never too far away. I am grateful that this special community which has been the backbone of my family's lives for years, has never been too far away. The Naval Aviation community continues to help us even now through this wonderful scholarship. My heartfelt thanks go out to WOASF for their generous financial support which allows me to continue my education at my dream school, Duke University. I am currently double majoring in Psychology and Theatre Studies and earning a Certificate in Documentary Studies. I endeavor to use my current studies and life experience to positively impact veterans and their families affected by suicide, PTSD, mental illness or drug addiction. Whether it be through the preforming arts or the field of psychology, my hope is to give back, specially to those that have paved the way for me and so many others. Thank you again, WOASF and my sincere congratulations to the other awardees. I am honed and proud to be in your company!