

Hotline Construction Scholar

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Year: Junior

Major: Oceanography & Marine Biology
Minor: Arctic Studies

Activities:

- ❖ Resident Advisor
- ❖ Circle K International Service Club, Co-President
- ❖ Hui Haoloha ‘Ulana – UW Hawai’i Club
- ❖ First Year Programs: FIG Leader
- ❖ Summer Employment: NOAA Hollings Program: Homer, Alaska
- ❖ Year-Round Employment: UW Campus Visit Program-Tour Guide, UW Microbial Metabolomics Research Center-Undergraduate Assistant



Receiving this scholarship has enabled me to continue pursuing my passion for marine science and oceanography! It also allowed me to pursue other out-of-classroom experiences, such as an incredible study abroad trip to Greenland in Autumn of 2018. I was able to explore an extraordinary Arctic region and a variety of topics including glaciology, geology, marine biology, all while witnessing the resiliency of the Greenlandic Inuit. This past spring, I was living at Friday Harbor Labs on San Juan Island and was immersed in invertebrate zoology and marine botany and worked on a research project raising sea star larvae. This summer, I will embark on an internship with NOAA to Homer, Alaska to study the impacts of glacial outflow on estuary systems. None of these incredible experiences would have been possible without the incredibly generous financial support provided by this scholarship. I am indebted to this program for their dedication to military personnel and am deeply grateful to be a recipient.