

Fallen Heroes Scholar

Rachel Hardison

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University of Virginia

Year: Freshman

Major: Biology

Activities:

- Independent Research in Lab
Studying Metapopulation Genetics
and Evolution
- Red Cross Club
- Varsity Crew Team
- Volunteer: Seminole Trail Fire
Department, Learn to Row Day,
Land and Water Training
Supervisor
- Summer Employment:
Fitness4Everybody Personal
Trainer
- Year-Round Employment:
Babysitting



I am very grateful to be the recipient of a Wings Over America Scholarship. This scholarship will allow me to take summer courses and continue my volunteer work as an EMT and Firefighter at the Seminole Trail Fire Department in Albemarle County, Virginia and my Research Assistant duties in the University of Virginia Taylor Evolution and Ecology Biology Lab. I am pursuing a Biology degree with a minor in Bioethics with the goal of working in the medical field as a researcher or physician one day. The WOASF scholarship will allow me to pursue opportunities that would have otherwise been out of reach or imposed additional financial burdens. I would like to thank all the WOA volunteers and donors for their hard work and generosity which makes these scholarships possible.