

# *Boeing Scholar*

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Year: Sophomore

Major: Business Administration

### Activities:

- Sigma Eta Pi Entrepreneurship Fraternity, VP of Recruitment
- Providing Animals with Shelters (PAWS) Club, Treasurer
- USC Athletics Marketing Team
- Volunteer: The Queens Best Stumpy Dog Rescue
- Summer Intern: Business Intern with NASA's Jet Propulsion Lab
- Summer Employment: The Skinny Dip Frozen Yogurt Bar
- Year-Round Employment: USC Hospitality - Front Desk Receptionist



As I enter my senior year at the University of Southern California, I want to reflect on the amazing friendships I have made through being a WOASF recipient throughout my college career. Each year, Steve “Kidd” Brennan presents me with my scholarship from Boeing. He was my father’s Skipper while stationed in Lemoore, CA, when I was born. Though I was too young to remember my time in Lemoore, WOASF gave me to opportunity to reconnect with someone who had a tremendous impact on my family and served as a mentor for my father. Also, since I attend college far from where many of my high school friends attend, the scholarship reception each summer provides me a valuable opportunity to reconnect with these old friends. Wings Over America is more than just a scholarship check that I receive each year. It is a community of supportive individuals brought together by a shared experience of military service and a desire to succeed through higher education. I am so grateful to be part of this community and hope to cultivate the relationships I’ve made for the rest of my life.