



The Wingman Foundation
AOAA Bryan Grosso Memorial
Scholar

Sarah Grosse

LaPlace, LA

Sponsor: PO1 Michael Grosse

College: Southwest Missouri State

2023-2024: Senior

Major: Musical Theatre with Minor in Music

Academic & Extracurricular Highlights:

- Southeast Missouri State Marching Band
- St. John Henry Newman Catholic Student Center:
Music Minister/ Retreat Leader
- Southeast Missouri State Jazz Ensembles: Solo
Trumpet/ Featured Vocalist
- Alpha Psi Omega
- Southeast Missouri Music Academy Piano Teacher



Throughout the past four years I have been connected with the Wings Over America Scholarship Foundation, I have been blessed with more than I could even attempt to put into words. Standing on the precipice of my senior year at Southeast Missouri State, I am now realizing that this chapter of my story is almost over, and the everyday moments are quickly becoming cherished memories. Wings Over America has afforded me these priceless experiences, and they have contributed in helping to shape me not only into a better performer fit to entertain and serve my community, but also a better, kinder person. That is a gift for which I am so grateful, and I want to continue to express my thanks to those who have invested in higher education for military families. Without having to worry about the burden of finances throughout my educational journey, I have been able to focus my efforts into applying myself in every way I can in both the theatre and music departments. I have been chosen to direct one of our Signature Series musicals next spring, and I am ecstatic to have the opportunity to try out something new like directing. In the realm of music, I have been a member of the marching band, jazz ensembles, and various choral groups during my time here at Southeast, and I have also been able to teach piano lessons to elementary children through the SEMO Music Academy program. It is because of Wings Over America and its generous donors that I have been able to dive headfirst into this career path, and I am so excited to see where it takes me.