



WOASF Volunteers-West Scholar

Cole Hudson

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Sponsor: LCDR Jason Hudson

College: Texas A&M University

2024-2025: Senior

Major: Recreation, Park and Tourism Sciences

Academic & Extracurricular Highlights:

- Corps of Cadets, B-Company Training Officer, and Platoon Leader
- Fightin' Texas Aggie Band: Snare Drummer and Drum Section Officer
- Hullabaloo U SOMS Peer Mentor for incoming freshman



Now finishing my third year of college, I know how important it is to remind myself to stop and smell the roses. After a humbling and motivating freshman year, an isolating sophomore year of learning to coach, and now a transformative junior year of learning how to mentor and lead, I believe that my time here in Aggieland is some of the most special in my life. This experience paired with the incredible opportunity to mentor an entire class of freshman as a peer mentor, helping the transition to college, made my junior year one to remember. I learned how to mentor, take charge when needed and step back to let others learn, and most importantly I learned the value of discretion and compartmentalization. Wings continues to give me the confidence to pursue excellence in everything I do both for myself and for others. My family continues to care for my sick grandmother, and the expenses piled on top of that obligation are that much more manageable having this scholarship and support group behind me supporting my career. This foundation gives me pride in calling myself an Aggie and a Navy brat, and through my actions, I hope to serve as a reminder to why veteran support is so important.