



Scholarship Recipient

Hal Launders-Alice Launders Webb Pay It Forward Scholarship

2018-2019 Recipient:

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Major: Psychology and
Anthropology

Minor: Religious Studies



I am in the middle!

I chose my majors and minor because . . .

Initially, I came to school dedicated to pursuing a biology major in hopes to work in healthcare. My liberal arts experience has allowed me to develop a dynamic perspective on the current public health issues. Thus, I decided to change to a double major in psychology and anthropology. Additionally, I am minoring in religious studies. Interestingly, my coursework for theology has revolved around conspiracy theories and new religious movements. I never had exposure to this topic before, but my passion to understand these groups aids in my understanding of different medical beliefs and practices.

The most exciting thing I did last summer was . . .

work for the non-profit, Steps to End Domestic Violence, in Burlington, Vermont. As their first summer intern, I was well integrated into the mission of the organization. I worked as an advocate on the 24/7 confidential hotline, assisted in support groups, and wrote reports for emergency housing screenings. The most rewarding piece was working in the shelter and building bonds with the families utilizing our services. Luckily, my experience was compensated by the Internship Fellowship grant supported by St. Lawrence alumni!

My favorite class that I have taken outside of my major is . . .

my FYP taught by Jennifer Thomas and Allie Rowland. I knew my roommate, Anna, before attending St. Lawrence and we decided to choose an FYP that was unlike any course we took in high school- Queer Performances: On & Off the Stage. Our course focused on Queer portrayal, both on the individual and performance level. We read an array of books, comics, and plays. At the end of our class, each student was tasked to write and perform a monolog. I loved the intimate environment our professors created, and enjoyed the opportunity to step outside of my comfort zone!

My favorite place on campus is . . .

Gunnison Memorial Chapel. The light is always glimmering through the windows, offering a comforting space to decompress. The chaplains are always willing to spend time with students and offer their advice. Also, the microphone is usually always left on in the Chapel. Occasionally, on a cold & snowy day, my friends and I will spend some time making music in the chapel!

Dear Ms. Maine,

I am so honored to be the recipient of the Hal Launders-Alice Launders Webb Pay It Forward Scholarship! My older brother, Connor Clancy, introduced me to St. Lawrence throughout the years he completed his B.A. in sociology. When my college decision approached and his undergraduate career came to a close, the decision was easy- St. Lawrence. The strength and magic of this community continually affirms my gratitude.

A New Jersey native, my family relocated to Glastonbury, Connecticut, during the fall of my sophomore year of high school. Over the years, my family has re-settled and found comfort in our small, sweet neighborhood. Best yet, Connor, post-graduate, has moved back to Connecticut to work for his high school preparatory, the Forman School. Currently, I am a junior working on a double major in psychology and anthropology with a minor in religious studies. My studies concentrate in the field of public health, and I hope to go on and pursue an MPH. Most of my time on campus has been spent working with Thelmo, our student government. This past year, I served as the vice president of University Relations. My executive board was asked to attend The Campaign for Every Laurentian, and we took the photo attached on the stage! (President Tinga is the right, Kaylee Converse is on the left, and I am in the middle) Additionally, I had the honor of forming the Sexual Assault & Domestic Violence Coalition. The group, consisting of clubs & organizations around campus focused on gendered issues, shared a mission to reduce peer violence through providing education.

Similarly, I spent last summer interning with Steps to End Domestic Violence in Burlington, Vermont! I received an Internship Fellowship grant from St. Lawrence, and had the opportunity to live & work in the beautiful city! This coming summer, I hope to continue to explore my passions for community psychology and bio-behavioral analysis through working as a health-marketing or research intern. Although I love the Northeast, I would love to experience working on the West Coast, or even abroad, following my graduation.

When I initially received the email from Donor Relations that I had received this scholarship, I called the office to confirm. I ran outside and rang both of my parents to share the news, their choked-up smiles radiating through

the phone was contagious. This scholarship has opened the opportunity for me to study abroad in the future, and consider the reality of graduate school. Truly, thank you. Attached is my contact information, as I would love to keep in contact!

Sincerely,

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