

FALL 2022 PRESIDENTIAL SCHOLARS



EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY
Honors College

2022 PRESIDENTIAL SCHOLARS CLASS STATS

Average
ACT Score
29

Average
High School
GPA
4.06

Average Number
of College Credits
Earned While in
High School
27.84

Average
SAT Score
1340

Average
Number of
Community
Service Hours
220.67

Average
Number of
Leadership
Roles
3.0

Average Number
of Student
Organizations
5.38



JACK BOOTH

Jack Booth comes to EMU from Saginaw, MI. In high school, Jack was involved in the MultiCultural Club, Student Council, and DECA. He also served as president of the National Honor Society and as a drum major for the marching band. Outside school, Jack worked several jobs while also volunteering in nursing homes, as a tutor, as a member of several worship bands, as a youth leader for children in grades 4-6, and with various other organizations. At EMU, Jack plans to pursue a degree in business management with a minor in Spanish and he has already joined the Student Government Association and the team in the Admissions office. Jack is thankful to be an Eastern Eagle!



KAITLYN ECKERMANN

Kaitlyn Eckermann comes to EMU from Saline High School in Saline, MI. In high school, Kaitlyn competed with the cross-country team, played violin with the non-profit Saline Fiddlers Philharmonic at local retirement homes and hospitals, and participated in the Back to Nature Club and the Student Alliance for Staying Healthy. During the pandemic, she also volunteered with Camp COVID, offering literature classes on fantasy, horror, and memoir genres. At EMU, Kaitlyn plans to pursue a degree in secondary education with a concentration in language, literature, and writing and a minor in philosophy. After graduation, Kaitlyn plans to become a high school English teacher.



FAITH GALINIS

Faith Galinis comes to EMU from Deerfield, MI. In high school, Faith was involved in Student Council, the National Honor Society, the debate team, and an anti-bullying organization, and she volunteered at Grace Bible Fellowship Church. At EMU, Faith is pursuing a degree in business administration, although she has not yet decided on her concentration in business. She is currently exploring different avenues, but she is leaning toward a specialization in either entrepreneurship or marketing.

STUTI GOEL

Stuti Goel is an international student who was born and raised in India, but earned her high school diploma in Farmington, MI. In high school, Stuti served as secretary, liaison officer, and then president of the Parent Teacher Student Association. She also served as secretary of the National Honor Society and as a Link Commissioner, where she helped smooth the transition into high school for incoming freshman and transfer students. As a freshman, she started a poetry club as a freshman and served as the organization's president for four years. She also participated in her school varsity tennis and swim teams and the Wicked Andaaz Dance Team. Outside of school, Stuti loved volunteering, completing over 140 hours of community service for various organizations, including as a blood donor ambassador for the American Red Cross and a member of the India League of America-Michigan. At EMU, Stuti will major in neuroscience. She is eager to begin work in a research lab, and she has already participated in The Honors College's cultural experience at the Stratford Festival in Canada. After graduation, Stuti plans to attend medical school to become a neurologist.





MAKAYLA JAMES

Makayla James Makayla James comes to EMU from Springfield, IL, and, more recently, Howell, MI. In high school, Makayla participated in the track and field and cheerleading teams and Future Farmers of America. At EMU, Makayla plans to pursue a degree in early elementary education. After graduation, she plans to pursue a Master's degree in some field of education while also teaching at the elementary school level.



RANDY KAMINDO

Randy Kamindo comes to EMU from Novi, MI. During high school, Randy was a sprinter and long jumper in track and field and served local churches as a musician. At EMU, Randy plans to pursue a bachelor's degree in computer science. He also intends to learn several in-demand programming languages and acquire the problem-solving skills needed to develop and maintain software. Randy is excited to meet people and explore the opportunities that EMU offers.



JESSICA LYSENG

Jessica Lyseng comes to EMU from Homewood, IL, where she attended the Illinois Math and Science Academy. In high school, Jessica participated in programs in soccer, media, and activism regarding learning disabilities as well as many other creative outlets. At EMU, Jessica intends to enter the combined B.S./M.S. program in occupational therapy, and she strives to continue appreciating life in college, as she joins the rowing team. Jessica is also looking for ways to connect with the local community through volunteering as a coach for youth recreational soccer and the Circles program, which supports families in poverty. After graduation, Jessica intends to become an occupational therapist.



MARIA MACKALL

Maria Mackall comes to EMU from Johnstown, PA. In high school, Maria was involved in the National Honor Society, the World Language Club, Student Council, and the Technology Student Association and served as a class officer and member of the tennis team and the orchestra. Outside of school, she participated in Young Life and Upward Bound and worked as a server at Susquehanna Country Club, where she plans to continue working during school breaks. At EMU, Mari is pursuing a degree in aviation management with a minor in business and a concentration in flight dispatch and she has already joined campus chapters of Alpha Eta Rho and the American Association of Airport Executives. After she graduates from EMU, Maria plans to work in the aviation industry.



RACHEL MAH

Rachel Mah comes to EMU from Fenton, MI. In high school, Rachel was involved with and held leadership positions in Student Council, Class Council, LINK, National Honor Society, choir and drama. She also enjoyed serving as a member of the worship team and participating in the youth group at her church. At EMU, Rachel plans to pursue a degree in interior design with minors in music and construction management, and she has already joined the EMU Choir. In her spare time, Rachel loves crafting and creating art pieces in her ceramics class.

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ROWAN MOXLEY

Rowan Moxley comes to EMU from Homewood, IL. Rowan loves music and language and, in high school, studied Chinese and participated in speech and debate, theater, and band, serving as a section leader for the symphonic band and competing in competitive percussion ensembles. During summer of 2022, Rowan studied Chinese in Tsinghua University in Taiwan through the highly selective National Security Language Initiative for Youth Language program, and he plans to study in Taiwan and China as an EMU student so that he can achieve the highest level of proficiency in Chinese. At EMU, Rowan will pursue a double major in economics and international affairs with the goal of representing the U.S. as a diplomat in the Foreign Service.



ALLIE MUSCHONG

Allie Muschong is from Mason, MI. In high school, Allie participated in Michigan Youth in Government as both a student delegate and a Model Judiciary Program participant. She also served as captain of the varsity swim and dive Team, was a member of the National Honor Society, worked on school and community tasks, played clarinet in the Spartan Youth Wind Symphony, and led the marching band as a drum major. She gained work experience at a local ice cream shop as well as a family-owned, horticultural and goat farm. At EMU, demonstrating her eclectic interests, Allie plans to earn a degree in physics with a minor in human sexuality, while she experiences all that EMU offers. After graduation, Allie intends to become an astrophysicist or a global legislative advocate.



SOPHIE NEPIUK

Sophie Nepiuk comes to EMU from EMU's hometown of Ypsilanti, MI. In high school, Sophie participated in girls' varsity and USA swimming, serving as captain of the swim team in her senior year, she served as president of the National Honor Society and chairwoman of the WIHI Elementary School Literacy Mentoring Program, and she participated in the Gay Straight Alliance and the orchestra. At EMU, Sophie plans to pursue a degree in public and nonprofit administration. After graduation, she intends to earn a Master's degree in library and information science and, ultimately, become a public district library director.



MEGHAN OLIVER

Meghan Oliver comes to EMU from Commerce Township, MI. During high school, Meghan was involved in Student Leadership, the Class Council, and the National Honor Society as well as many volunteer activities, including working with the American Cancer Society, running school events, assisting with school sporting events, and mentoring incoming students. She also spent a significant amount of time playing club soccer for the Michigan Jaguars on the 04 Girls Academy team. At EMU, Meghan is a student-athlete who plans to pursue a double major in exercise science and psychology while playing on the women's soccer team. After graduation, she plans to attend graduate school in occupational therapy and, eventually, help rehabilitate patients in an outpatient clinic.



KATELYN RUSSELL

Katelyn Russell comes to EMU from Tecumseh, MI. In high school, Katelyn served as president of the Student Council and captain of the varsity tennis team. She was also involved in Link Crew and the National Honor Society. Outside of school, Katelyn served as captain of a local, competitive dance team, volunteered at local elementary schools and Cambrian Assisted Living, tutored, and participated in community outreach programs. At EMU, Katelyn plans to pursue a degree in data science and analytics with a minor in business. After graduation, Katelyn intends to become a data analyst and eventually pursue a master's degree in business administration.



ZOE SPONSELLER

Zoe Sponseller comes to EMU from Spokane, WA. In high school, Zoe was involved in DECA, Student Council, the Link Crew, Yearbook, the Class Council, the National Honor Society, and Mead Serves, the school's community service organization. She also served as a proctor for the Math Club and tutored students in math. Through Mead Serves, Zoe participated in numerous volunteer activities, including the Vanessa Behan Santa Express, Catholic Charities events, and making blankets for patients in local hospitals. Outside of school, she worked a part-time job, trained in classical ballet, and founded her own business, Red Thread Unraveled, which sells subscription boxes to help other Chinese adoptees learn more about their country of birth. At EMU, Zoe intends to pursue a degree in secondary education mathematics with minors in chemistry and dance. After graduation, she plans to become a high school math teacher.



XIOMARA TRUJILLO

Xiomara Trujillo comes to EMU from Ypsilanti, MI, and attended the Early College Alliance at EMU as a high school student. In high school, Xiomara was involved in Student Leaders, the Peer Mentor organization, and the Yearbook Club, and she served as an intern for Destination Ann Arbor. She also volunteered at garden clean-ups, retirement communities, and community fundraisers, and she curated the Early College Alliance's first community mini-library. At EMU, Xiomara plans to pursue a degree in marketing, while also taking courses in art and digital media and managing her own photography business. After graduation, Xiomara plans to use her marketing degree to open and promote her own photography studio.



LYNNLEE VOG

Lynnlee Voge comes to EMU from West Alexandria, OH. In high school, Lynnlee held multiple leadership positions, including in Future Farmers of America, Student Council, and the National Honor Society. She also volunteered with the Hope Squad, a peer-to-peer suicide prevention group and accrued over 115 hours of community service with the organization. Outside of school, Lynnlee worked as a lifeguard at the YMCA and as a 4-H camp counselor during the summer. At EMU, she will pursue a degree in K-12 visual art education and then will seek employment as a high school art teacher.



JAIME WILLIAMS

Jaime Williams comes to EMU from Carnegie, PA. In high school, Jaime played on the volleyball and teams basketball and participated in the Culture Club, Student Government, the National Honor Society, and the stage crew for the fall play. They also volunteered at their school and the town's Second Baptist Church. At EMU, Jaime plans to pursue a bachelor's degree in chemistry with a concentration in research so that they can become a research chemist.



MADILYN WILLIAMSON

Madilyn Williamson comes to EMU from San Antonio, TX. In high school, Madi was on the varsity swim and dive teams, becoming team captain in her senior year. She also played with the marching band and held leadership positions in the band. Outside of school, Madi served as a volunteer coach for a summer league swim team, assisting with running practices and teaching young children to swim. Madilyn helped with the Salvation Army Angel Tree program to provide families assistance with gifts for the holiday season. Including AP Scholar with Honor and was a Texas Interscholastic Swim Coaches Association (TISCA) Academic All-State Athlete. At EMU, Madi will major in communication. After graduation, Madi plans to attend graduate school in communication.



TATIANA WORTHY

Originally from Elizabethtown, KY, Tatiana Worthy completed high school in Detroit, MI. In high school, Tatiana was involved in Beta Club, NAF Future Ready Scholars (a college success program), Project Art, Girls Who Code, and the C2 Pipeline (a college readiness program). During the pandemic, she also worked in the Student English Academic Leaders Cohort Program (SEALS) to help the Detroit Public Schools Community District improve its online English Language Arts curriculum. At EMU, Tatiana plans to pursue a degree in simulation, animation, and gaming (SAG), so that she can work in video game development or animation after graduation.



ANNIKA WOZNEY

Annika Wozney comes to EMU from Elk River, MN. During high school, Annika participated in the National Honor Society, DECA, the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, and the math team, served as a note-taking and organization mentor for freshmen, and played on the varsity lacrosse, basketball, and track teams. Outside of school, Annika worked two jobs, played club lacrosse, served as head coach of a girls' youth lacrosse team, and coordinated a local food drive during her senior year. At EMU, Annika intends to pursue a degree in biology while playing on EMU's Division 1 lacrosse team. After graduation, Annika plans to enter a doctoral program in occupational therapy and become an occupational therapist.

