



Marine Corps Aviation Memorial
SSgt Thomas J. Dudley Scholar

Alison Anderson

Newport, North Carolina

Sponsor: Senior Chief Petty Officer Chad Anderson

College: Troy University

2025-2026: Sophomore

Major: Nursing with Spanish minor

Academic & Extracurricular Highlights:

- Nurses Christian Fellowship
- Varsity Women's Golf
- Phi Mu Sorority
- Hospice Helpers
- Carteret County Public Schools Human Resources Intern
- Sunset Slush employee



Over the next three years, I plan to continue to pursue a bachelor's degree in nursing with a focus on pediatrics. Two years ago, I was fortunate enough to become an NC Certified Nurse Aide which has allowed me to experience the world of nursing. At first, the bad days seemed to outweigh the good. But on those good days, I got to see patients being released after months of chemo; happy patients who would smile after simply being able to get out of bed and move around. Moments and days like this truly made all those bad days' worth it, and this helped me see my future as a nurse.

This scholarship allows me to devote more of my time toward my degree and not focus on trying to hold down a full-time job. I currently work part-time to save and pay for my education. After I graduate, I first plan on working overseas in lower income areas and in third world nations and then continue within the United States in the same type of areas. There are so many children in these affected areas who are undernourished and in need of overall care, and I truly believe that I could make a difference not only in these children's eyes but in the world as a whole. With this scholarship, I will be able to continue my educational dreams of making myself successful in my dreams of becoming a pediatric nurse. I am truly beyond grateful to The Wingman Foundation, and all the donors who have ever donated to help make students, like me, dreams come true.