VADM Michael & Janet Malone Scholar

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College: Florida State University

2026-2027: Sophomore

Major: Exercise Physiology

Academic & Extracurricular Highlights:

- FSU Valencia Student Council Representative
- Badminton Club Founder and President
- Wakefield Athletic Leadership Council
- Girls State Senator
- Gran Association, English Teacher (Valencia, Spain)
- St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church Volunteer
- High Sierra Pools Lifeguard



As a military kid, I have always felt immense pride in my ability to represent those who serve. Observing my father's hard work over the years has been incredibly inspiring and I am so grateful for how it has shaped the type of person I am today. While being a military kid had its struggles, it brought me an abundance of growing opportunities. As I've begun navigating my collegiate journey, my experiences with moving and fresh starts have been of much help. However, without the Wings Over America Scholarship Foundation, my experience in college would have been much different. The opportunity to receive this scholarship makes pursuing a higher education a reality. I am beyond proud to represent the military community in an academic setting. As I work on achieving a career in healthcare, I hope to show others the same compassion that I have experienced from the support of people in the Armed Forces community. By being selected as a scholarship recipient, I hope to make my supporters proud. Knowing that I have a whole team's support behind me, motivates me to represent the WOASF in a positive light. I hope to share with others how much of a positive impact this organization has had on the lives of veterans and their families across the country.