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College: Auburn University

2026-2027: Junior

Major: Inter-Cultural Communication

Academic & Extracurricular Highlights:

- FCCLA Kikkoman Foreign Exchange Scholarship
- Scholar's Bowl Team
- Yearbook Photographer
- The Jule Collins Smith Museum of Fine Art – Student Guide
- DoorDash Driver
- The Barn at Smith Lake Event Worker



I am beyond grateful to receive this scholarship because I believe in the power of education towards the future. This scholarship will allow me to focus more on my studies and less on paying the bills; therefore, empowering me towards academic success. I would like to thank the VAW/VRC Memorial Scholarship Fund for being so helpful to not just me, but all the other aspiring scholars and professionals from United States Navy families. I truly believe their contributions to education help lay a foundation of excellence in the Navy community. I will not take this opportunity for granted; instead, I will use it as a tool of inspiration and encouragement to try hard and make those like Wings Over America that have supported me proud. Once again, thank you to the VAW/VRC Memorial Scholarship Fund for making education achievable for so many and for so many years.