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**MORIAH FLECK**  
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**BECAUSE YOU GAVE...**

I cannot thank you enough for this scholarship. It has allowed me to receive in state tuition which is a huge financial burden that has been lifted. I am in my final semester of OT school completing my fieldworks in Fort Worth, and even though we are not in the classroom, we still have the pay tuition. I have enjoyed my time at TTUHSC and feel prepared for entry level practice!

**WITH YOUR SUPPORT, I CAN...**

I will not only use the money towards tuition, which is less loan money that I must use, but this scholarship qualifies me to receive in state tuition. That is a huge financial burden that has been lifted from me to not have to pay out of state tuition. I knew I wanted to go to TTUHSC for the incredible occupational therapy program, but I knew the price as well. However, I was still willing to go. This has made it easier for me to afford the high quality education I was after.

**WHY I CHOSE TTUHSC...**

I chose TTUHSC because of how the OT program was ran. The professors were so wonderful and kind during my first interview. I also enjoyed that TTUHSC is one of the few OT programs that involve the gross anatomy course, which is one of the many reasons I decided to apply.

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**AUDREY WREN**  
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I would like to thank you for your generosity. This scholarship will allow me to continue pursuing my passion to become a speech pathologist. After graduation, I plan on using my knowledge and skills to provide therapy to children. I grew up in a rural community, so I plan to give back to a small community.

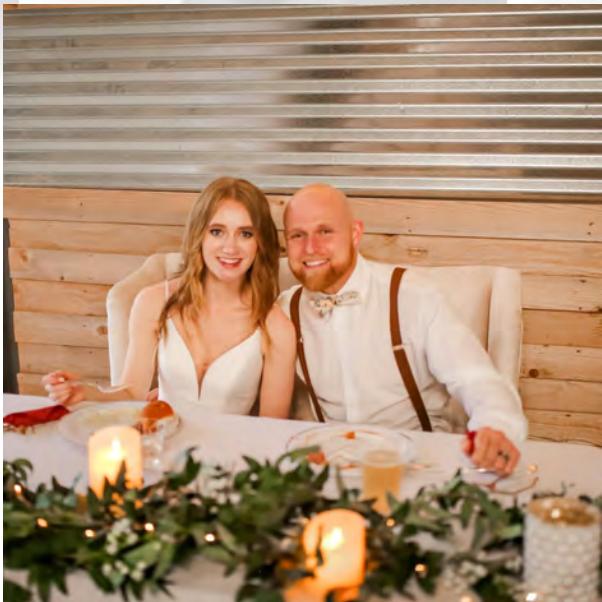
**WITH YOUR SUPPORT, I CAN...**

The funds from this scholarship will be used to pay for tuition my first year as a graduate student. I believe quality education is so important, and know I will receive that from TTUHSC. I have become very passionate about helping others as a speech pathologist; therefore, this scholarship allows me to continue pursuing my passion.

**WHY I CHOSE TTUHSC...**

As a high school senior, I searched for a community that would become family and provide more than just education. I found the perfect fit and attended Texas Tech University the first two years of my undergraduate degree. Fortunately, I was able to attend TTUHSC the last two years of my undergrad. After experiencing the high standards of TTUHSC, I knew this was where I wanted to further my education. TTUHSC truly cares about each student and fully supports our success.

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**NATALIE TEGTMEIER**  
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**BECAUSE YOU GAVE...**

After I graduate, my husband and I plan on staying in Lubbock. I fell in love with the town and I'm not ready to leave. As far as my future career goals, I have always wanted to teach. I was a TA for gross anatomy and just feel very comfortable being in that light. My goal is to someday come back and pursue either my PhD or my OTD and begin a career in academia. This scholarship is a huge blessing along that path and I thank you for giving me the opportunity to continue doing what I love.

**WITH YOUR SUPPORT, I CAN...**

As an out of state student, this scholarship qualifies me for in state tuition. My parents are very supportive of me, but are just unable to help financially right now with school. This scholarship will allow me to pay a decreased tuition and have more funds to go to living, food, and other necessities to help me finish out my degree in occupational therapy. I am currently in full time clinicals and every little things helps. I am very grateful for this opportunity.

**WHY I CHOSE TTUHSC...**

I was born and raised in Nebraska and finished my Bachelor's Degree there in exercise science. I did an interview at Texas Tech and I felt like it was where I needed to be. Everyone was so nice and welcoming and it felt like home. I have loved Lubbock and the HSC ever since. I met my husband during gross anatomy and have been very blessed by this town and this school.

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**LAUREN ENGLER**  
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**BECAUSE YOU GAVE...**

This scholarship was the best unexpected blessing I have received in a long time. It has taken a great load of stress (financial and emotional) off me and my family. I will use this to focus more on school rather than worry about my situation financially. I am very grateful for this opportunity.

**WITH YOUR SUPPORT, I CAN...**

I will use these scholarship funds for housing and living necessities. I lost my primary job and have been relying greatly on my parents to sustain me. This fund will go towards food, rent, utilities, etc. This will be a huge help for me and my family with making ends meet and ensuring I am able to finish my degree.

**WHY I CHOSE TTUHSC...**

I chose TTUHSC because of my choice to go to Tech. I just knew, before I ever visited the school, that TTU was where I wanted to go. When I decided I wanted to change my major, speech fell right into my lap and transferring to TTUHSC wasn't even a question.

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#### **BECAUSE YOU GAVE...**

Thank you so much for your donation. Growing up in Germany, I had to learn the language and culture of an environment I was not familiar with at all. When I came to Texas, I was welcomed with open arms and was given opportunities to reach heights I did not know existed. I plan to go beyond graduation finding new ways to explore what it truly means to hear. How does hearing affect our psychology? Are there specific sounds that trigger certain behaviors? I plan to answer these questions and ask more questions for future generations to answer as well.

**MIGUEL MCQUEEN**  
School of Health Professions

#### **WITH YOUR SUPPORT, I CAN...**

I plan to use this aid directly for tuition. I am now able to afford essential needs such as housing, gas, and groceries without having to worry about missing a payment plan to pay my tuition bill. Attending classes and, eventually, graduating is a core part of my goal of earning a degree and pursuing Bioacoustics in the future. Anyone and anything that contributes and helps me continue attending classes is a major benefit and I am extremely grateful for them.

#### **WHY I CHOSE TTUHSC...**

When I applied to graduate schools and spoke to my friends and colleagues about which schools I was looking at, everyone had something positive to say about Texas Tech. They all believed that Texas Tech was the best school in Texas! They said that the Audiology program was something to look forward to and I would be well trained there. I am excited to experience the greatness TTUHSC has to offer and to become a part of the most skilled Audiologists in Texas.

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**LEXIE BAKER**  
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**BECAUSE YOU GAVE...**

Hi, I am Lexie Baker. I'm from Welch, Oklahoma, a small farm town of 700 people. I owned a house and 20 acres that I purchased at the end of 2019. I had just cleaned up the house and land to put my cattle on, when I got my acceptance letter from TTUHSC. I sold my house within 2 months and moved back in with my parents. After graduating, I plan to come back home and give the rural area access to Audiology services. Welch and the surroundings areas has a need for services and I'm happy to someday provide.

**WITH YOUR SUPPORT, I CAN...**

Financials have always been the hardest part of college for me. I have the support of my parents to pursue my dreams in every way but not financially. This scholarship will take off a great deal of stress for me and I will put towards my tuition. I have always worked a full time job or two and been very active in extra curricula's as well. Receiving this scholarship feels like a reward for all the years of hard work. This scholarship will be a huge relief for me and I am forever grateful!

**WHY I CHOSE TTUHSC...**

TTUHSC has everything I want in a graduate program and college. The smaller class sizes and student to teacher ratio greatly appealed to me. The campus is beautiful, what little I seen of it, due to COVID-19. I love the atmosphere at Texas Tech University. Everyone seems very proud to be there and willing to help me along my journey.

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**ABIGAIL BALOGUN**  
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**BECAUSE YOU GAVE...**

I want to say a huge thank you to the donor of this scholarship, for your kindness. As a Nigerian immigrant that has now become a citizen of the United States, it was a great honor to have been chosen for this scholarship. My ultimate goal was always to receive the adequate education that I need to become an Audiologist to help my community, and country of birth. Once again, thank you for this generous gift, that will be very helpful in my pursue to achieve my goal.

**WITH YOUR SUPPORT, I CAN...**

I am currently unemployed due to my move to Lubbock for the Audiology program at TTUHSC. These scholarship funds with the financial aid loans will help me to purchase services and school materials that will assist me in successfully achieving my academic goals. Receiving these scholarship funds will provide me with financial stability, so I will be able to put my focus on my education, and not be distracted by financial problems.

**WHY I CHOSE TTUHSC...**

When I made the decision to become an Audiologist, I conducted a lot of research on Audiology programs in the country, specifically in Texas. During my search I discovered TTUHSC, which is far from my place of residence, but has a unique and intriguing research and curriculum plan. The more I looked into the program, the more I was convinced that this is a place that will help me to successfully become an Audiologist, and was very honored when I was accepted into the program.

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**TINA THOMAS**  
School of Health Professions



**BECAUSE YOU GAVE...**

When I found out my niece was deaf, I immediately became fascinated with the science of hearing. I am so honored I will have the opportunity to make the same impact her audiologist made on our family, on others. I cannot express how much it means to me that this was made possible, but I am incredibly grateful.

**WITH YOUR SUPPORT, I CAN...**

Receiving this scholarship will help relieve some of the financial burden that comes with pursing my doctor of audiology degree. My parents have provided so much for me while I have been pursuing a higher education and by receiving this, I am lessening the financial responsibility on myself as well as them. Being from out of state, this will help immensiely. I am incredibly grateful to be able to put the scholarship funds towards my tuition.

**WHY I CHOSE TTUHSC...**

I chose Texas Tech to pursue my degree because after extensive research, I felt TTUHSC held the same values and goals that I have. The faculty's diversity, professionalism, and their commitment to the field of audiology is what stood out most to me. I am eager to begin class and I am confident TTUHSC will provide me an education that prepares me to be a clinically competent audiologist.

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**MEAGAN MCMAHON**  
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**BECAUSE YOU GAVE...**

I would like to thank the donor for making this scholarship possible. My great uncle was paying for my undergrad schooling but unfortunately passed last January. Finances have always been a little tight in my family but my family would do anything to put me through school, so scholarship money is a huge help for me. I have always wanted to help people, especially military veterans as my Dad was in the Navy. This scholarship helps me pursue this goal through my education.

**WITH YOUR SUPPORT, I CAN...**

I am very grateful to have received this scholarship award. This scholarship money will help me to purchase my textbooks for the Fall and Spring semesters. Textbooks are a large expense that is not included in tuition so this will help me budget for those. I will also be able to put some of these funds towards my tuition which will be very helpful.

**WHY I CHOSE TTUHSC...**

I chose TTUHSC because I was looking for an online program in mental health counseling. I am from New York and had recently moved to Pennsylvania, but did not know how long I would be residing in this state so I wanted an online program to give me the option to move. I did not visit the campus, but the ability to take the NCE exam upon graduation was very appealing to me. I have met many people who are helping me on my journey through these online classes.

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**SERENA ASFAN**  
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**BECAUSE YOU GAVE...**

I would like to thank the donor for making this scholarship possible. With COVID-19 and everything else going on in the world, we felt like we couldn't catch a break. My husband got a very significant pay cut and we had no idea how we were going to pay for this coming semester. This scholarship will help us catch up from the last few months!

**WITH YOUR SUPPORT, I CAN...**

I will use these funds to help pay for my tuition for the fall and spring semesters. Last semester was a challenge for us because my husband got a significant pay cut but now we won't have to dip into our savings again. We can now afford to pay for my tuition without having to worry about taking out a loan as well.

**WHY I CHOSE TTUHSC...**

I chose TTUHSC because when I was applying for programs, there weren't any that were in Austin, the city I am currently living in. I also chose TTUHSC because I really like that it focuses on mental health counseling. I appreciate this program because it is online and easily accessible. Because of this program, I can focus on school and getting a job as well!

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**SAUNI DAVENPORT**  
School of Health Professions



**BECAUSE YOU GAVE...**

I just want to take the time to thank you for your generous contribution into helping me stay in this program. I am attending strictly on loans and anything helps! I am alone out here in the state of Texas, as the rest of my family lives back home in Pennsylvania, and I know they worry about me not having enough money to get by. This scholarship gives them a little piece of mind knowing I have extra in order to maintain a healthy lifestyle while 1500 miles away.

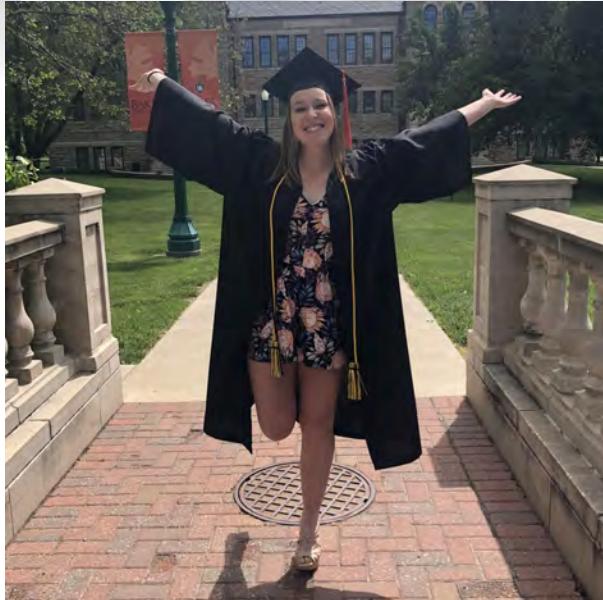
**WITH YOUR SUPPORT, I CAN...**

This scholarship is making it easier for me to finish out my fieldwork experiences in Fort Worth, TX, as I am living on my own away from my family. This scholarship will help to provide food while I'm here, as well help with gas money, as I have to commute upwards to 2 hours to the hospital every day. This money will also help me to purchase ink and paper for my printer, so that I can print out the materials needed in order to succeed academically.

**WHY I CHOSE TTUHSC...**

I chose TTUHSC because of my program's ability to teach and prepare their students to take their boards with an impressive passing rate on their first try. I chose TTUHSC because of the staff's accomplishments in their fields and their passion to teach the upcoming generations their professions. Lastly, one of the many reasons I chose TTUHSC was because of its location. I am from Pennsylvania and always wanted to move to Texas to see a different part of the country.

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**SIERRA MCKINNEY**  
School of Health Professions



**BECAUSE YOU GAVE...**

Thank you so much for your support and your donation in being able to help provide for my education that I will revive to pay it forward to become the best practitioner I can be! Thank you for making this scholarship possible and helping to pave the way for students like me to gain great knowledge and skills to bring into the work force to give back and provide healthcare for people in need

**WITH YOUR SUPPORT, I CAN...**

These scholarship funds will greatly decrease the debt I will be in from student loans. This scholarship allowed myself to be eligible for in state tuition which decreased my tuition by over half! I went to a private undergrad and to have my tuition cut in half helps more than you will ever know to decrease my debt!

**WHY I CHOSE TTUHSC...**

I chose TTUHSC because I love how down to earth the professors are and how they will do almost anything to help you succeed and get to where you want to be. I also love the hands on experiences the school provides! This kind of education I think will be able to provide me with more hands on skills and knowledge when entering the workforce

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**SAMANTHA MORAN**  
School of Health Professions



**BECAUSE YOU GAVE...**

I would like to thank you so much for your generosity as this scholarship helps to make it possible for me to pursue a Master's in Occupational Therapy. As I start my second year of the program, I have realized how many amazing opportunities and experience that TTUHSC has provided me that will help me not only as a student but also a future clinician. I am beyond grateful for the community that TTUHSC has given me. Thank you again for your generosity!

**WITH YOUR SUPPORT, I CAN...**

This scholarship will lessen the financial burden that pursing a Master's in Occupational Therapy has put on me. As an out-of-state student, this scholarship allows for me to qualify for in-state tuition and will allow for me to spend more time involved in campus organizations and focused on class/lab information instead of having to work to lessen the financial burden. This scholarship will help to pay for textbooks and other required materials for labs that will help me excel in school.

**WHY I CHOSE TTUHSC...**

I initially applied to TTUHSC on a whim when applying to OT schools my senior year of college. I had never been to Texas before and when I came for my interview date, I fell instantly love. Everyone was so welcoming and throughout the interview process, I could see the passion that the professors at TTUHSC had for helping students excel both in school and in the OT profession after they graduated. The community that TTUHSC provides is truly special and has provided me with so many opportunities.

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**KEIRA ROGERS**  
School of Health Professions



**BECAUSE YOU GAVE...**

I took a big step in moving down to Texas for OT school. The school I attended for my undergrad had a good program and I was under a lot of pressure to stay and attend school there. The scholarships that I have received at TTUHSC were a big determining factor in my choice to attend, and I couldn't be happier that I did. I plan to work with the neurological population after I graduate school, and hope to make a positive impact through my work. I may even stay in Texas!

**WITH YOUR SUPPORT, I CAN...**

It is with these scholarship funds that I am able to attend school at TTUHSC. I am an out-of-state student, and this scholarship has qualified me to pay in-state tuition. This is huge for me because I am able to take our far less loans. These scholarships majorly inclined me to attend TTUHSC.

**WHY I CHOSE TTUHSC...**

I was drawn to TTUHSC when I first came for a visit to check out the campus. I was thrilled with the professors, the resources, and the overall genuine and welcoming nature of the people that I met. One employee even offered me coffee and a tour of the classrooms while I waited to be picked up. I told my mom, "I'm going here." I'm not sure if she believed me, it was my first school! I worked hard on my application to the MOT program, and came again for my interview. My desire to attend was further solidified.

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**CAITLIN HARTLINE**  
School of Health Professions



**BECAUSE YOU GAVE...**

Thank you for your generosity. Due to adverse upbringings, I never picture I could attend an out of state university; let alone at a large prestige school like TTUHSC. You made my dream occupation possible at my dream school. I plan to pursue the NICU and out-patient pediatrics post-graduation, but I am very excited to see where this journey takes me. Thank you for your support. It is largely appreciated.

**WITH YOUR SUPPORT, I CAN...**

This scholarship is greatly appreciated because it provides me with financial security to pursue my Master of Occupational Therapy degree at TTUHSC. I am going into my second year of the occupational therapy program and was not sure if I can financially make this coming year happen. Due to your help and receiving this scholarship, I have qualified for in-state tuition. This significantly lowers the cost and allowed me to continue my dream of being an occupational therapist.

**WHY I CHOSE TTUHSC...**

Initially I was attracted to TTUHSC because of their high occupational therapy rankings within various schools. After coming on my interview, I knew this was my dream program because of the professors and quality of resources that are presented to all students. The professors are knowledgeable in all areas and truly care for their students. The resources including the anatomy lab, tutoring, library, and various study rooms made preparing for my academic success easier.