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JORIAN STEVENSON
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BECAUSE YOU GAVE...

Thank you again for this scholarship. The year of 2020 has been filled with uncertainty and change for everyone and my experience has been no exception. I am very grateful for the opportunity to have clinical experiences throughout West Texas as I know it will expand my knowledge and thus efficiency as a provider. However, each rotation being in a new location comes with an added financial burden so this scholarship could not have come at a better time. I am looking forward to graduating next year and giving back to the region of West Texas.

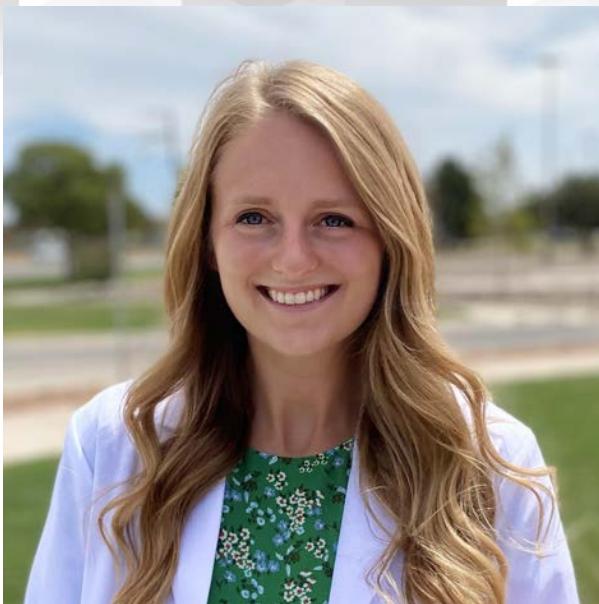
WITH YOUR SUPPORT, I CAN...

Thank you for this scholarship. It is with great pleasure that I am starting my clinical rotations at the TTUHSC PA Program. My first rotation in particular requires quite a bit of traveling as I complete my rural Family Medicine rotation in Big Lake, Texas. This scholarship will not only help to cover travel expenses throughout this year, but will allow me to put money towards housing at my various location sites.

WHY I CHOSE TTUHSC...

One of the best decisions I made in my young adult life was the choice to attend college at Texas Tech University for my undergraduate career. Due to my amazing experience there, I knew when I was applying to PA programs that Texas Tech's program was at the top of schools I desired to get the coveted acceptance letter from. At the risk of sounding cheesy, when I walked into the building for my interview, I looked down at the ground and felt at home after seeing the 'Double T' emblem in the tile.

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BRITTANY MERRITT
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BECAUSE YOU GAVE...

Thank you so much for your contribution! I am looking forward to finishing the licensure steps for the Texas Medical Board and becoming a fully licensed PA-C! I come from a very small community in Michigan, so coming to West Texas I had no idea what I was getting into, but I was introduced to so much hospitality that I can't wait to give back to the community I start my career in.

WITH YOUR SUPPORT, I CAN...

I am very grateful for this scholarship at this time, as I am finishing PA school. With this monumental feat comes a lot of expenses for licensure. I will use the scholarship to pay for these fees, such as fingerprinting, licensure application, background checks, and a review course before I take my national certification exam.

WHY I CHOSE TTUHSC...

I choose TTUHSC for a close-knit and tight PA community. I wanted a program where I could form bonds with others, and I am grateful to have done that. I look forward to giving back to whatever community I end up in after school with what TTUHSC has given to me.

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CELESTE MENZER
School of Health Professions



BECAUSE YOU GAVE...

Your willingness to walk alongside my family and I in this educational journey is something we could never thank you enough for. I have long desired to give back to a community, as my community gave to me many times, and you are providing me the opportunity to do just that. Your investment will reach far beyond me, as the skills I gain as a medical provider will be used to support many others in their own personal journeys. I am honored to be entrusted with this, and I look forward to keeping the generous spirit alive within our communities.

WITH YOUR SUPPORT, I CAN...

When I was accepted into school, my husband and I packed up our things and moved to Midland, as we felt that the area was not only a location for me to attend school, but for us to invest in the community longer term. In the transition we went from a two income household to one income; we planned for and felt comfortable with this at the time, but current uncertainty of the economy in West Texas weighs heavily on us. This scholarship will allow me to enter clinicals with the confidence of being able to maintain basic living expenses.

WHY I CHOSE TTUHSC...

As an undergraduate student the Texas Tech community helped shape me both educationally and personally. Faculty, staff, and other students surrounded, encouraged, and coached me in each and every endeavor I pursued. I graduated TTU with a full heart and mind. TTUHSC was naturally a top choice for my PA program, and I have only been reassured of this every day since beginning the program. I have loved being a part of a well-established program that has astounding faculty who care deeply about student success and a curriculum that prepares us for the future.

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CHELSIE ROSEN
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BECAUSE YOU GAVE...

Thank you so much for your generosity! Being a Physician Assistant is more than just a title, a piece of paper, or something that sounds cool to do. It is a chance for me to give back to my community that made it all happen. It is chance for me to help people and make a difference. It is a chance for me to help others feel heard. And you are helping make that happen and thank you from the bottom of my heart.

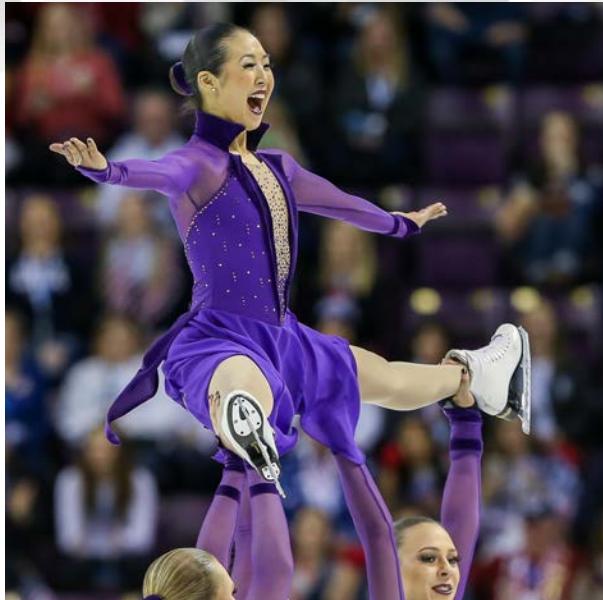
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This scholarship will help to ease some of the burden of student loans. It will also assist me in buying any supplies that I may need for clinical year. Also, I'll be able to save money that I would normally be spending on supplies and I can now put that towards my PANCE and any additional licensure fees I will have after graduation.

WHY I CHOSE TTUHSC...

I remember stepping onto the TTUHSC Physician Assistant Program campus when I interviewed in March of 2020; the second I walked through the door, I immediately felt at home. Being from Missouri I chose to apply to Tech, simply because I had friends in Texas and thought, "Why not?". Now, that has transitioned into Texas and TTUHSC being home. The faculty and staff at the PA Program truly care about you and your well-being. They prepare you to their full extent to be the best, most well-rounded providers possible. I am so thankful for all they have done.

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DEVIN WANG
School of Health Professions



BECAUSE YOU GAVE...

I spent five years competing internationally with the Haydenettes, a senior level synchronized skating team, then worked an additional two years at U.S. Figure Skating managing Team USA medical and team delegation logistics. Once I got accepted into TTUHSC, I put my figure skating life on pause and have not looked back. I want to give back to Team USA athletes as a physician assistant just as you have supported me in pursuing my academic dreams. Thank you from the bottom of my heart for your kindhearted donation that supports all of the students at TTUHSC!

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I have been assigned to Amarillo for my clinical rotations. While the program tries to keep all rotations in one region, every student is expected to complete at least one rotation in a rural community. This year with COVID-19, many preceptors and rotations were unable to accept students. This limited rotations and could potentially require students to travel to another region to complete all rotations. I will use my scholarship money to cover the cost of travel and accommodations for my assigned rural rotations and possible relocation to other regions as needed.

WHY I CHOSE TTUHSC...

TTUHSC has a wide array of schools and networks across West Texas. I am fortunate to have completed my didactic education in Midland and really enjoyed being in the Permian Basin. I know the professors truly care about me as a person, and not as another student. I know I made the right choice coming to TTUHSC!

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JOEL BLAND
School of Health Professions



BECAUSE YOU GAVE...

Thank you so much for this scholarship! I am so thankful and appreciative for your generosity. Embarking on this endeavor to become a PA has been a journey that I could not have accomplished without your generosity! Thank you for your help in making my PA dreams become a reality!

WITH YOUR SUPPORT, I CAN...

Being from Saint Louis Missouri as an out of state student the financial burden of out of state tuition was heavy, but this scholarship has substantially reduced that burden! I am so grateful and appreciative of it and I know it will help create a space for me to learn and help my patients well during my clinical year as a PA student. Thank you so much!

WHY I CHOSE TTUHSC...

I chose TTUHSC PA school because of its goal to serve and provide excellent healthcare to underserved areas. The mission statement of TTUHCS aligns with my life goal and finding an educational institution that has those same views is exceptional and very rare! I am excited and look forward to all the new things I will continue to learn in my time here!

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KALEN KAHL
School of Health Professions

BECAUSE YOU GAVE...

Your investment into future physician assistants is what makes dreams happen for people like me! I plan to utilize the knowledge and skills I have gained at TTUHSC to pursue a career in psychiatry. There are so many people in need of mental health assistance, and with this donation I will be able to become licensed to pursue my dream!

WITH YOUR SUPPORT, I CAN...

This scholarship will help fund my licensing for my physician assistant license! I am incredibly grateful for this scholarship because I am paying for my education on my own. These funds are specifically dedicated to further pursuing what I set out to accomplish when I was 18 years old! Thank you so much!

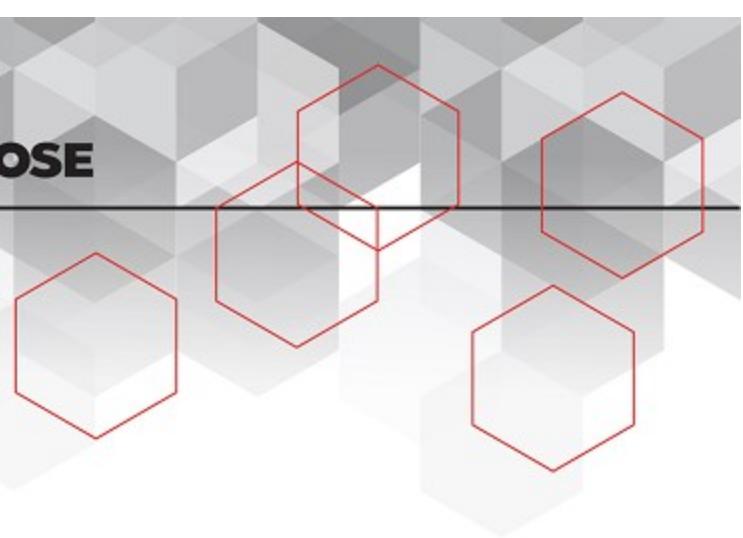
WHY I CHOSE TTUHSC...

I chose TTUHSC because I felt connected to the university values and mission. I am excited to pursue a career I have been working towards since I was 18 years old! I felt comfortable and at ease while being in a completely different state (Colorado native). I met some incredible people along the way as well!

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KELLY FASHIMPAUR
School of Health Professions



BECAUSE YOU GAVE...

I have been following this dream since I was 21. For the donors who have been there with me on this journey, you all got me to where I am today- thank you!!! I have been blessed by some of the greatest people in the past year- patients, families, the community, and medical staff alike.

WITH YOUR SUPPORT, I CAN...

These scholarship funds will help immensely, as I have recently purchased a home. They will help prepare me financially for licensure and my DEA so I will soon be able to give back to the community of Lubbock as a Physician Assistant. I find no greater purpose than to give back to the community after what this community has given to me on my journey of growth in becoming a physician assistant.

WHY I CHOSE TTUHSC...

What drove me to attend TTUHSC was my PA school interview with the program faculty. The interview was relaxed, conversational, and made Texas feel like home to me after being raised in the midwest. This program is special to me because it is where I met my now fiancé. I will be staying in Lubbock and hope to give back to future Texas Tech PA students as a preceptor, as I was once in their shoes.

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NICOLE FLETCHER
School of Health Professions

BECAUSE YOU GAVE...

Thank you so much for your generous gift. I feel truly blessed to be supported so that I can continue helping those who are underserved and give back to those in need. When I graduate from PA school, my plan is to work in family medicine in a disadvantaged area, so that I can increase access to care for those who are less fortunate. Thank you, from the bottom of my heart.

WITH YOUR SUPPORT, I CAN...

This scholarship will qualify me to receive in-state tuition, which makes a significant impact on my life. Due to COVID-19, my clinical rotations were pushed back and moved around so I will use this money towards being able to afford housing, gas for my car, and food to eat. This scholarship allows me to continue in the program without fear of not being able to afford my schooling, housing, or food. Thank you so much, you do not know how much this means to me.

WHY I CHOSE TTUHSC...

I chose TTUHSC's PA Program because of its mission to increase access to health care, especially in West Texas. In TTUHSC's PA Program, all of our clinical rotations are placed in West Texas, allowing us to not only get to know the community but also serve them medically in the hopes that we can make a difference in their lives. I have loved getting to know the people of West Texas and working first-hand with underserved communities; many of these patient's have nothing - it is my time to give back.

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PARMPREET GILL
School of Health Professions



BECAUSE YOU GAVE...

Thank you for making this scholarship possible! As a first generation immigrant, it has been a goal of both me and my parents to pursue medicine. This scholarship made it possible for me to attend PA school at an excellent institution. With this gift, I know I will be able to focus on becoming the best provider possible for my future patients.

WITH YOUR SUPPORT, I CAN...

I have wanted to become a Physician Assistant for many years now and this scholarship will make me one step closer to achieving that goal. I am near the end of my PA education and this scholarship will help me cover the cost for my national certification exam and licensing costs. I will also use it to invest in textbooks that I can use as a new grad provider.

WHY I CHOSE TTUHSC...

There are many reasons I chose to attend Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center. In the beginning, I was drawn to the well established PA program. After my interview, I saw how dedicated the staff was to the success of their students. In addition, I like how TTUHSC is dedicated to providing care in underserved and rural areas, as this is a population I want to work with as a provider.