

THE PEER MENTORS
OF THE
UNIVERSITY HONORS
PROGRAM

FALL 2016

WELCOME
NEW HONORS
STUDENTS!



PEER MENTOR GROUPS

In your first semester as a member of the University Honors Program, you are required to meet once a week for the first 8 weeks in an informal, relaxed setting with a group of 8-10 first-year students and an upperclass student known as a Peer Mentor. This student will act as a friend and guide to make your transition from high school to college as smooth as possible. Peer Mentors have been selected because of their abilities to relate well to other people, their commitment to the importance of the full experience of the Honors Program, and their dedication to the well-being of others.

Even if you are already familiar with the UNL campus and/or Lincoln, you will find you will gain valuable information in your group, and have a great time in the process! You will cover important topics such as:

- Honors Program requirements
- How to stay connected to the Honors Program
- Academic issues and learning how to navigate MyRed to register for classes
- Resources on campus: the Rec Center, the Lied Center and sporting events

These small group meetings begin during the second week of classes. Two meetings will be held before the “Who’s Who in the Honors Program” kickoff event on **Sunday, September 11th**. You will receive an email from your Mentor during the summer introducing him/herself and filling you in a bit on what you will be doing as a group.

In order to help you preference your mentor group, we have provided a listing of all the mentors along with a short autobiography in this booklet. Mentors are listed alphabetically within their colleges, and the bios should give you a feel for the personality of each person.

Placement in a Peer Mentor group will be determined based on your preferences and your class schedule.

INSTRUCTIONS

During your NSE day, you will register for classes including an Honors seminar and a 98H Peer Mentor Experience course. The 98H course is NOT the same as the Honors seminar. The 98H course is part of your Peer Mentor Experience.

Helpful Hints for Selecting a Peer Mentor Group:

- Begin by scanning times that seem to work with your schedule. If you are planning to be in the Greek system avoid Monday night group meetings.
- Then scan your college section. (Peer Mentors are listed by college in this book.) You do not necessarily need to find a Mentor within your college or major, but it may be helpful to select someone who may have the same academic interests.
- If you are undecided on your area of study, preference a mentor with similar interests as you who will be able to share their insights to various experiences and involvements.
- You might want to select a Mentor based on other criteria. For example, if you are an out-of-state student, or, if you are from a small town, you may want to choose a Mentor with a similar experience. We do discourage you from working with a Mentor you already know.

After you receive your class schedule at NSE you will stop at the Honors Program table to complete your peer mentor registration and meet current Honors Program Students and Honors faculty. It is important at this time to confirm your email address with us, as this will be our primary means of communication with you. You will also preference your Honors Peer Mentor at this time.

Feel free to contact us with any questions. We can be reached at 402-472-0468 or honorsadvising@unl.edu.

Have a great rest of your summer;
we look forward to seeing you in August!



COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES & NATURAL RESOURCES

HAYLEY KAISER

Forensic Science

Time: Tuesday 5:30-6:30pm

I am a sophomore from Ogallala. After graduation, I plan to attend graduate or law school. For my freshman Honors seminar, I took “Creativity 101.” I love to volunteer at events such as Huskers Helping the Homeless and the Big Event. I am currently involved in the Forensic Science Club and the Nebraska Women’s Leadership Network. Coffee, exploring Lincoln, and running are my favorite things to do.



JENNIFER MYERS

Plant Biology

Time: Tuesday 3:30-4:30pm

I am a junior from Sidney, though I have lived in Indiana and California too. I enjoy working with plants and maintaining my windowsill garden. I do research for the Center for Plant Science Innovation. I am involved with the Nebraska Women’s Leadership Network and the Horticulture Club. I enjoy listening to music, watching Netflix, and knitting when I have the time. I plan to go to graduate school and work for an agricultural seed company. My 189H was “Music around the World.”





COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

REBECCA ANDERSON

Biochemistry/Pre Health

Time: Tuesday 3:30-4:30pm



I am a junior from Gothenburg. I am involved in Greek life, NU Meds, MEDLIFE, the William H. Thompson Scholars learning community, Big Event, and the Union Board. I volunteer at the Lincoln Children's Museum and the People City Mission Free Clinic. This summer, I did research with the US Department of Agriculture. I enjoy spending time with friends, working out, and showing my horse on the American Quarter Horse Circuit. My 189H was "Humans, Water, and the Environment."

AVIVA ATRI SCHULLER

Biological Sciences/Psychology

Time: Thursday 3:30-4:30pm

I am a junior interested in the health sciences and behavioral biology. I went to high school in Omaha. I like to cook, try different kinds of tea, and watch comedies. I am a volunteer for health organizations around the community, including the American Red Cross and Clinic With a Heart. On campus, I am the VP of Hillel and the event coordinator of Students Together Against Cancer. My freshman year, I took an honors seminar titled "Gender in World Literature."



COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES - CONT'D

ERIN BERTONE

Biochemistry

Time: Thursday 4:30-5:30pm



I am a sophomore from Papillion. My freshmen honors seminar was "21st Century Music." I am a member of the Campus Red Cross, the American Red Cross first aid services team, Big Event's operation staff, and an officer for the Biochemistry Club. Over spring break, I volunteered abroad with MEDLIFE in Cuzco, Peru. This summer, I will be studying abroad in Costa Rica. In my free time, I love reading, traveling, hanging with friends, and going on adventures.

MADISON BIERMAN

Biochemistry/Chemistry

Time: Wednesday 6:00-7:00pm



I'm a sophomore from Omaha. I'm pursuing a double major in chemistry and biochemistry and minors in French and math. I'm involved with Hillel, chemistry club, biochemistry club, and intramural dodgeball. I'm spending my summer working on a research project in synthetic biology. I plan to study abroad in France and am deciding whether to pursue an M.D. and/or Ph.D. . My other passions include the clarinet, George Clooney, and dogs. My 189H was "Current Issues in American Politics."

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CAMDEN BILYEU

Chemistry/Economics

Time: Tuesday 5:00-6:00pm



I am a junior from Omaha. My 189H was “Old World...Our World.” I am the Vice President of the UNL Club Tennis team, the head of the Academics committee for the Honors Program Student Advisory Board, an Honors Ambassador, and a member of Econ Club. I am a research assistant for the Chemistry department. I like to participate in intramurals, read, and hang out with friends.

REBECCA BROOKS

Biochemistry/Pre Health

Time: Wednesday 5:30-6:30pm



I am a sophomore from Waco, TX. I am currently involved in Greek life and the Newman Center. I hope to attend pharmacy school and pursue a career in pharmaceutical research. I enjoy snuggling with my dog, attempting to bake, eating, meeting new people, and laughing. When the weather is nice, I love to run and spend time outside. My freshman seminar was “Sociology of Inequality.”

NORA BREEN

Biochemistry/Mathematics

Time: Tuesday 4:00-5:00pm

I am a sophomore from Omaha, majoring in Biochemistry and Math with minors in Chemistry and Spanish. I am involved in Honors Program Student Advisory Board and Biochemistry Club. I am a volunteer at the Lincoln Children’s Museum and help with day camps for pre-school to early elementary aged students. Other interests include reading, movies with great soundtracks, and taking care of my pet beta fish. For my freshman seminar, I took “Iconic Couples in Literature and Film.”



LAUREN BRUNING

Global Studies/Sociology

Time: Wednesday 3:30-4:30pm



I’m a sophomore from here in Lincoln. I coach youth club volleyball and tennis and also work at a fitness studio! On campus, I’m involved in Intelligence Community Scholars, Greek life, intramurals, and the Newman Center. My true passion is traveling. This summer I was in Russia, Germany, Norway, China, and Vietnam. My other hobbies include hanging out with friends and Netflix. I took “Creativity 101” for my 189H.

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES - CONT'D

JOHN CHROSTEK

Mathematics/Physics

Time: Wednesday 3:00-4:00pm



I'm a sophomore from Omaha, pursuing degree in mathematics and physics with a minor in computer science. After graduating, I plan on obtaining a graduate degree. I'm involved with Honors Program Student Advisory Board, Society of Physics Students, and research in the physics department. I enjoy biking, going to the gym, and reading. I also love to travel. Recently, I went to Belize for spring break and Germany for the summer. My 189H was "How to Learn and Develop Talent."

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES - CONT'D

ALICIA FALK

Biological Sciences

Time: Thursday 2:00-3:00pm



I'm a sophomore from Minnetonka, MN. In the future I aspire to become a Physician Assistant. On campus I am involved in a Greek organization, Navigators ministries, and Honors Ambassadors. I will be spending this summer studying abroad in London and Amsterdam. In my free time I enjoy drinking tea, going to the Rec, doing outdoor activities, and scoping out puppies on campus. For my honors seminar, I took "How to Learn and Develop Talent."

MAKAYLA DOOLITTLE

Psychology/Pre Health

Time: Thursday 2:15-3:15pm

I'm a junior from Roca, and am on the pre-PA track with the hope of one day being a Pediatric PA. I'm currently involved in Greek life, intramural soccer and volleyball, and the Navigators group on campus. I am also a TeamMates member and work as a Medical Scribe at Bryan Urgent Care. My hobbies include coffee, shopping, and hanging out with friends, spending time with family, crafting, scrapbooking, babysitting, and playing soccer. My honors seminar was "Sociology of Inequality."



SARAH FRENCH

Biological Sciences

Time: Tuesday 6:00-7:00pm



I am a sophomore from North Platte, interested in dermatology. I have been involved with UNL Spectrum and Pre-Health Club, and I volunteered at Riley Elementary School's Homework Club. I am excited to get involved with NU Meds and Greek life this upcoming year. I love to see movies, hang out with friends, snowboard, and pet dogs! I also love to travel, and I plan to study abroad in my spring semester. For my honors seminar, I took "Iconic Couples in Literature."

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES - CONT'D

MALLORY GANDY

Biological Sciences/Psychology

Time: Tuesday 3:30-4:30pm



I am from Papillion, but I have lived in several locations due to my father's career in the USAF. I aspire to become a Physician Assistant. I am involved as a Nebraska Human Resource Institute counselor, a Big Event Operations Staff member, and a member of MEDLIFE. During my free time, I enjoy hanging out with friends, reading books, outdoor activities, and starting a new show on Netflix. For my honors seminar, I took "Performances of the East."

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES - CONT'D

PARIS GUNDERSON

Actuarial Science/Finance/Math

Time: Tuesday 2:30-3:30pm



I'm a sophomore born and raised in Wausau, IL, about ten hours away from UNL. I am a member of the CBA Honors Academy. On campus, I am the Baseball and Women's Basketball Sports Director for the Iron N. In my free time, I dance, listen to music, watch Netflix, and spend time with my friends and family. As a freshman, I took "Iconic Couples in Literature" for my honors seminar, and it was one of the best courses that I have ever taken.

AMANDA GOLDEN

Psychology

Time: Wednesday 3:30-4:30pm

I am a junior from Cody, WY. I am involved as a Healthy Huskers Peer Educator, and with the Nebraska Human Resource Institute and Dance Marathon. I am also involved with my sorority and undergraduate research. I love to dance, play the piano, read, watch Netflix, and take long naps. I will be studying abroad in Dublin this summer. After I graduate, I hope to attend medical school and work as a pediatrician. I took "The Body and Technology in Literature and Film" for my 189H.



EMILY JEZEWSKI

Biological Sciences/Pre Health

Time: Tuesday 2:00-3:00pm



I am a sophomore from Omaha. I was a member of the Freshman Campus Leadership Associates and a member of the University Health Center Student Advisory Board. I am also a member of two national honor societies. I plan to perform undergraduate research, and after college I hope to attend medical school. In my free time I love to play golf, read, and spend time with friends. My honors seminar was "Old World... Our World."

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES - CONT'D



HYUNJI JHI

Computer Science

Time: Thursday 2:30-3:30pm

I am a sophomore from Kearney. I am currently studying computer science. In my free time, I like to draw, play the violin, cook (even though I am rather bad at it), and watch Netflix. On campus, I am involved with Campus Orchestra. I took "Iconic Couples in Literature" for my freshman seminar.

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES - CONT'D

JENNIFER LIBOV

Biological Sciences

Time: Thursday 1:30-2:30pm

I am a sophomore from Omaha. I'm currently an active member of Pre-Health Club, Scarlet Guard, and the Greek community. These groups have given me opportunities to volunteer my time with organizations like the Big Event and Dance Marathon. I love to travel, hang out with friends, and produce music in my spare time. In the future, I hope to continue my studies as a medical student. My freshman seminar was "Rhetoric and Social Movements."



AURORA KENWORTHY

Computer Science/Mathematics

Time: Thursday 2:00-3:00pm

I am a sophomore from Bellevue. I'm a member of the marching band and pep band, the Secretary/Treasurer for Circle K, and a member of the Scarlet Guard. I also participate in Women Undergraduates in Mathematics at Nebraska (WUMN) and UNL Cru. I plan to attend law school with a focus in cyber law. In my free time I love playing piano, reading, knitting, binge watching Netflix, hanging out with friends and family, and traveling. My 189H was "From Show Boat to Wicked."



EMILY LOCKE

Psychology/Pre Law

Time: Thursday 2:30-3:30pm

I am a sophomore from Malcolm. I have a psychology major with minors in political science and business. After graduating from UNL, I plan to attend law school. I am involved in my sorority, Nebraska Women's Leadership Network, Pre-Law Club, The Big Event, and TeamMates. I enjoy staying active and spending time with my friends. I took "The 21st Century Scholar/Artist: Music Creation via the iPad" for my seminar.



COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES - CONT'D

KALIKA MAHATO

Biochemistry

Time: Wednesday 2:30-3:30pm



I'm a sophomore from Memphis, TN so I'm still adjusting to the cold. I've spent the last two summers at UNMC and am active in a biochemistry lab on campus. I'm also in the Biochemistry Club and volunteer at the Children's Museum. I love UNL, though I miss my mom's Indian food and tea. In my free time, I enjoy playing with cats, exploring restaurants and over-caring for my four plants: Garth, Minerva, Tobias, and Ezra. My seminar was "Freedom of Expression and The First Amendment."

PAIGE McCOY

Classics & Religious Studies/History

Time: Wednesday 6:30-7:30pm

I am a sophomore from Aurora. I am involved in the Newman Center, History Club, Scarlet Guard, and multiple honor societies. I am an ambassador for the College of Arts and Sciences and Morrill Hall. In my free time, I love to read, eat Starbursts, binge-watch TV shows, and go to movies and musicals with my friends! After UNL, I plan to get a graduate degree in Museum Studies and then work in a museum. I took "From Show Boat to Wicked" for my honors seminar.



COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES - CONT'D

HARRISON McMINN

Biological Sciences/History

Time: Tuesday 3:00-4:00pm



I'm a senior from Omaha. On campus I'm involved with the Health Center Student Advisory Board, the Club Dodgeball team, Mortar Board, and the Honors Program Ambassadors. Last summer I studied abroad in London at Kings College, where I took a public health course. I love playing intramural basketball and flag football with friends, I like to run in my free time, and I'm a big fan of Manchester United! My honors seminar was "Art and the Search for Meaning in American Life."

JACOB MOORE

Chemistry/Pre Health

Time: Wednesday 4:30-5:30pm



I'm a sophomore from right here in Lincoln. I am involved in the Greek community and do research in a chemistry lab on campus. I am also involved in Sustain, UNL Meds, UNL Pre-Health Club, and the Health Center Student Advisory Board. My goal is to attend medical school and become a cardiothoracic surgeon. My freshman honors seminar was "The 21st Century Scholar/Artist: Music Creation via the iPad."

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES - CONT'D



AMANDA NELSON

Psychology/Pre Law

Time: Thursday 3:00-4:00pm

I am a sophomore from Lincoln. I am involved in Greek life, intramurals, Spring Spirit Squad, Character Council, and am also an undergraduate research assistant in a psychology lab. After graduation, I plan to attend a Law-Psychology graduate program with the hope of becoming a forensic pathologist. My hobbies include dancing, shopping, being a coffee-addicted barista, exercising, volunteering, and spending time with family and friends. I took "Sociology of Inequality."

KATLYN POWERS

English/English Education

Time: Thursday 4:00-5:00pm

I am a senior from Sioux Falls, SD. I love reading the classics, engaging in progressive politics, and catching up on TV shows like *Parks & Recreation*, *Doctor Who*, and *Downton Abbey*. On campus, I am involved with the Nebraska Writing Initiative, Nebraska Collegiate Preparatory Academy, and Soap Carving Club. I am also president of UNL's English Club. I spend my time volunteering and trying to spread my love of reading and writing. I took "Current Issues in Politics."



COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES - CONT'D

BAILEE SOBOTKA

Biological Sciences/Pre Health

Time: Tuesday 2:00-3:00pm

I am a sophomore from right here in Lincoln, studying Biological Sciences with a minor in Gerontology. I also aspire to become a Physician Assistant working in an orthopedic clinic one day. On campus, I am involved in Greek life, Bible study, Pre-PA Club, and Pre-Health Club. In my free time, I love distance running, horseback riding, reading, and watching movies. The freshman seminar I took was "Social Psychology of Inequality."



MICHAELA SULLIVAN

Spanish/Speech-Language Pathology

Time: Wednesday 2:00-3:00pm

I am a senior from Bellevue. I am currently a member of Spanish Club, Nebraska Student Speech Language and Hearing Association, and a Bible study. I am also the social chair of Running Club and the scholarship chair of the Globetrotters Education Abroad Club. In my free time, I love to read, watch Husker sports, workout, and hang out with friends. Spring of my sophomore year, I studied abroad in Cusco, Peru and had a great time! I took "American Music" for my 189H.



COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES - CONT'D

HANNAH TERRELL

Psychology

Time: Thursday 5:30-6:30pm



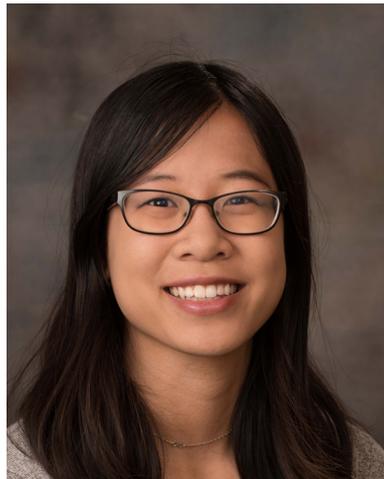
I am a sophomore from Lincoln. Outside of class, you can find me singing and dancing with Big Red Singers, doing research in a psych law lab, or teaching dance classes at my studio here in Lincoln. After graduation, I plan to pursue graduate studies in psychology. In my spare time, I like to watch *The Office*, listen to music from *Hamilton*, eat Husker Hoagies, and spend time with friends and family. My freshman seminar was “The American Broadway Musical.”

TIFFANY TRUONG

Biochemistry/Chemistry/Pre Health

Time: Tuesday 5:30-6:30pm

I'm a junior from Lincoln. I'm involved in campus orchestra, club tennis, the Biochemistry Scholars program, the Honors Program Student Advisory Board, the American Medical Student Association, and Greek life. I am also an undergraduate researcher for the Department of Chemistry and volunteer in the emergency department for Bryan Health. Outside of school, I enjoy photography, travel, and art. I'm an avid tennis fan and love playing the viola. I took “Creativity 101” for my 189H.



COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES - CONT'D

AUTUMN URBIGKIT

Music Education/Psychology

Time: Tuesday 5:00-6:00pm



I am a sophomore from Mitchell, SD. I am a piccolo player in the Cornhusker Marching Band, and I play flute in several other ensembles. Music is my passion, but aside from that, I love coffee, playing video-games, and thrift-shopping for used books. I consider myself a mega-fangirl, enjoy listening to podcasts and indie music, and painting. It is my dream to travel and perform on every continent someday! For my freshman seminar, I took “Rhetoric and Social Movements” for my 189H.

ZACHARY VAN ROY

Mathematics/Microbiology

Time: Thursday 5:00-6:00pm



I grew up in Elkhorn. I'm on the pre-med track and work as a laboratory aide on East Campus. In addition to various Honors Program activities, I am involved in NU Meds, Math Club, and Microbiology Club. I'm an active member of the waterski team. Sports and music capture my free time. In the future, I intend to pursue an MD/PhD program, though in another life I'd study political science. I took “Performances of the East” for my honors seminar.

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES - CONT'D



BROOK VERBIK

Actuarial Science/Mathematics

Time: Wednesday 4:30-5:30pm

I am a sophomore from Elkhorn. After UNL, I plan to pursue a Masters in International Business. My career goal is to be an actuary for a global company. I enjoy traveling and look forward to studying abroad this summer. I serve on the Honors Program Student Advisory Board and am a member of the Actuarial Science and Math clubs. I also tutor at the Math Resource Center. I took "America: From Fundamentals to Reality" for my honors seminar.

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES - CONT'D

JESSICA WALKER

Biological Sciences/Psychology

Time: Tuesday 2:30-3:30pm

I am a sophomore from Wyoming, MN, with hopes of becoming a surgeon. I am a student ambassador for the College of Arts & Sciences, and am also an undergraduate research assistant in the behavioral neuropharmacology lab. I am a part of the Greek community and involved in NU Meds and MEDLIFE. When I'm not studying, I can be found working out, listening to music, spending time with friends, or catching up on *Grey's Anatomy*. I took "Iconic Couples in Literature" for my 189H.



NATALIE VON OLDENBURG

Biological Sciences

Time: Wednesday 2:30-3:30pm

I am a sophomore from Omaha. On campus, I am involved with Pre-Health Club, Scarlet Guard, and the Honors Program. In addition, I am a member of the UNL Housing Subordinate Board. I also volunteer at Nebraska Med. After graduation, I hope to attend medical school. In my free time, I enjoy watching Netflix, running, biking, and spending time with friends and family. I took "Social Psychology of Inequality" for my honors seminar.





COLLEGE OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

ANNA BRODERSON

Agribusiness/Economics

Time: Wednesday 4:30-5:30pm



I'm a sophomore from Hartington. I'm in the middle of deciding between a few different business majors and about to start on a textiles minor. I plan to do social entrepreneurship or work in a nonprofit after I graduate. On campus I'm involved in the CBA Honors Academy, the Friends of Refugees program, the Ballroom Dance Company, the Rotaract Club, and the UNL Skating Alliance. My freshman honors seminar course was "Psychology of Music."

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION - CONT'D

DALTON DEY

Finance

Time: Tuesday 6:30-7:30pm



I am a senior from Gresham. I am currently involved on campus with the CBA Honors Academy, New Student Enrollment, Toastmasters International, and The Iron N. I am also on intramural football, broomball, basketball, and softball teams. In my free time, I enjoy watching Netflix, being front row at Nebrasketball games, eating Raising Cane's, and working part-time as a Campus Host Tour Guide. My freshman seminar was "Exploring the Digital Humanities."

ALAN DAVIS

Agribusiness/Finance

Time: Tuesday 1:30-2:30pm

I am a junior from Elkhorn. On campus, I am involved in Greek life, the CBA Honors Academy, Honors Ambassadors, Big Red Investment Club, and the CBA Student Advisory Board. Off campus, I am on the Board of Directors for the Cornhusker Council, and I volunteer for Launch Leadership. I also coach and judge high school speech. When not in class, I enjoy reading poetry, watching sports, and working out. My freshman seminar was "Creativity 101."



CALLAHAN ECKARDT

Accounting/Finance

Time: Wednesday 5:00-6:00pm



I am a sophomore from Shawnee, KS. I am involved with the CBA Honors Academy, Sales Center for Excellency, Scarlet Guard, and NU Toastmasters. Outside of school I love to hunt, fish, work out, compete in triathlons, and binge on Netflix. I took "America: From Fundamentals to Reality" for my freshman seminar.

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION - CONT'D

CLAIRE FREVERT

Accounting

Time: Tuesday 1:00-2:00pm



I am a sophomore from Elkhorn. I am currently studying Accounting and am a member of the CBA Honors Academy. I am involved in Greek life and the Honors Ambassadors program on campus. In my spare time I love to run, read, play intermurals, and watch too much Netflix. I also love attending Husker football, basketball, and soccer games. During my freshman year, I took the “America: From Fundamentals to Reality” for my seminar.

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION - CONT'D

KYLEE GWINN

Finance

Time: Wednesday 4:00-5:00pm



I’m a senior from Omaha. I’m involved in Future Business Leaders of America, Big Red Express Pep Band, Actuarial Science Club, CBA Ambassadors, and also serve as an RA on campus. In my free time I enjoy reading, watching Netflix, listening to/watching Broadway musicals, and attending events throughout campus. After graduating I hope to get a position working with financial investments or derivatives. My freshman seminar was “Great Love Stories.”

PARIS GUNDERSON

Actuarial Science/Finance/Math

Time: Tuesday 2:30-3:30pm

I’m a sophomore born and raised in Wausau, IL, about ten hours away from UNL. I am a member of the CBA Honors Academy. On campus, I am the Baseball and Women’s Basketball Sports Director for the Iron N. In my free time, I dance, listen to music, watch Netflix, and spend time with my friends and family. As a freshman, I took “Iconic Couples in Literature” for my honors seminar, and it was one of the best courses that I have ever taken.



BEN JANECEK

Actuarial Science

Time: Tuesday 4:00-5:00pm



I am a junior from Omaha, majoring in Actuarial Science. In my free time, I like to work out, play sports, and hang out with friends. I am a proud member of the Greek system, and am also involved in Nebraska Human Resource Institute as well as being the health and wellness advocate for my fraternity. I am currently working as an actuarial intern at Ameritas. The 189H course that I took was “Educational Psychology.” The Honors Program is a wonderful part of UNL, and I can’t wait to welcome you to it!

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION - CONT'D

SOPHIE LOTTMAN

Accounting

Time: Thursday 1:00-2:00pm



I am a sophomore from Gretna. In addition to the University Honors Program, I am also involved in Toms Club and Club Tennis. Outside of school, I work part-time as an intern for an insurance company. In my free time I enjoy going to Husker athletic events, playing sports, and working out at the rec. I also like to spend lots of time with my friends and family. I took "Old World...Our World" for my honors seminar.

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION - CONT'D

CAROLINE MUSSELMAN

Marketing

Time: Wednesday 2:00-3:00pm



I am a sophomore from Elkhorn. I am involved in my sorority and am on the operations staff for the Big Event. I was also in the Dean's Freshman Leadership Fellows in the College of Business Administration. I enjoy running, baking, shopping and spending time with friends. For my freshman Honors seminar, I took Music 189H: A World of Music.

CODY MCCAIN

Accounting/Finance

Time: Wednesday 1:30-2:30pm



I am a sophomore from DeWitt. I am involved in the Greek Community, Phi Beta Lambda, and the CBA Student Advisory Board. In my free time I participate in intramurals, the Lutheran Center Choir, and volunteer at Open Shelf. Off campus I am Registered Parliamentarian in the National Association of Parliamentarians. I took the "Performances of East" my freshman year, and it was one of the funniest class that I have ever taken. It changed my life!

SAM STEVENSON

Accounting/Finance

Time: Wednesday 5:00-6:00pm



I am a sophomore from Omaha in the CBA Honors Academy. I am currently involved on campus with the Nebraska Human Resource Institute, Future Business Leaders of America, and UNL club dodgeball. I am also on intramural basketball, football, and softball teams. My freshman honors seminar was "Psychology of Music." I love going to Nebraska sporting events and am excited to meet you all!

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION - CONT'D



BROOK VERBIK

Actuarial Science/Mathematics

Time: Wednesday 4:30-5:30pm

I am a sophomore from Elkhorn. After UNL, I plan to pursue a Masters in International Business. My career goal is to be an actuary for a global company. I enjoy traveling and look forward to studying abroad this summer. I serve on the Honors Program Student Advisory Board and am a member of the Actuarial Science and Math clubs. I also tutor at the Math Resource Center. I took "America: From Fundamentals to Reality" for my honors seminar.



COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND HUMAN SCIENCES

MIKAELA CLEMONS

Nutrition and Health Sciences

Time: Tuesday 3:00-4:00pm

I am a sophomore born and raised in Colorado Springs, CO. On campus I am a Wellness Advocate and a member of Scarlet Guard. I am also involved with the American Red Cross First Aid Service Team, where I work events in the Lincoln community as a First Aid volunteer. I spend the rest of my time outdoors, running, painting, or drawing. I enjoy activity, creativity, and adventure. After graduation I plan to work as a dietician. As a freshman I took "How to Learn and Develop Talent."



AMY DEROWITSCH

Science 7-12

Time: Thursday 1:00-2:00pm

I'm a sophomore from Lincoln. At UNL I'm involved in the Honors Program, my sorority, and the College of Education and Human Sciences Student Advisory Board. I enjoy volunteering with TeamMates, a mentoring program. When I'm not busy with school, I like watching *Friends* or *The Office*, and getting coffee. The Honors seminar I took as a freshman was "Science, Skepticism, and Superstition."



COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND HUMAN SCIENCES - CONT'D



KATELYN DICKES

Nutrition and Health Sciences

Time: Wednesday 1:00-2:00pm

I'm a senior from Fordyce, with plans to attend medical school after graduation. On campus, I'm president of NU Meds, Vice President of External Relations for Scarlet Guard, TeamMates chair on the Newman Student Advisory Board, and a member of Omicron Delta Kappa. I grew up helping on the farm, reading, playing sports, and spending time with friends and family. These are the things I enjoy most (plus *Grey's Anatomy* and *New Girl*). I took "Language and Civilization" for my 189H.

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND HUMAN SCIENCES - CONT'D



MEGAN JAMISON

Nutrition and Health Sciences

Time: Tuesday 4:30-5:30pm

I am a sophomore from Murray, with hopes of becoming a Physician Assistant. On campus, I am treasurer of the Pre-Physician Assistant Club and a member of NU Meds, the Exploring Medicine learning community, and two honor societies. I volunteer at the Lincoln Children's Museum, Big Event, and the Riley Elementary School Homework Club. In my free time, I read, run, and spend time with friends and family. I took "Iconic Couples in Literature" as my honors seminar.

MORGAN HEIMES

Nutrition and Health Sciences

Time: Wednesday 5:30-6:30pm

I am a junior from Norfolk. I am involved in Greek life, Fellowship of Catholic University Students, Nebraska Human Resources Institute, and the Panhellenic Council. In my free time, I enjoy running, watching movies, and spending time with family and friends. After graduation, I plan to attend pharmacy school. My freshman seminar was "The 21st Century Scholar/Artist: Music Creation via the iPad."



EMMA LOBERG

Speech-Language Pathology

Time: Wednesday 4:00-5:00pm

I'm a sophomore from Wayne. I'm involved in the Newman Center and my sorority, I serve as a Girl State Junior Counselor, and I am a member of the Nebraska Student Speech Language and Hearing Association. I take studying, reading, Netflix, Broadway musicals, sewing, family, working out, trips to the movies with friends, and cheesecake very seriously. I plan on attending grad school to become a Speech Therapist. My freshman seminar was "Iconic Couples in Literature."



COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND HUMAN SCIENCES - CONT'D

LUCY LONG

Mathematics/English 7-12

Time: Thursday 3:00-4:00pm



I am a sophomore from Lincoln. I love writing, especially poetry and short stories. I am very involved with the Newman Center. I also participate in other programs including Friends of Refugees, and I volunteer at a safe home here in Lincoln providing childcare. I am passionate about volunteering, and will be serving as a volunteer chair on the Newman Board next year. I also love running, baking, music, journaling and life. My 189H was “Iconic Couples in Literature.”

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND HUMAN SCIENCES - CONT'D

KATLYN POWERS

English/English Education

Time: Thursday 4:00-5:00pm



I am a senior from Sioux Falls, SD. I love reading the classics, engaging in progressive politics, and catching up on TV shows like *Parks & Recreation*, *Doctor Who*, and *Downton Abbey*. On campus, I am involved with the Nebraska Writing Initiative, Nebraska Collegiate Preparatory Academy, and Soap Carving Club. I am also president of UNL's English Club. I spend my time volunteering and trying to spread my love of reading and writing. I took “Current Issues in Politics.”

ABBIGAIL MAZOUR

English Language Arts

Time: Tuesday 1:30-2:30pm

I am a junior here at UNL and graduated high school from Gothenburg. On campus, I am involved in the Honors Program, Greek life, and Nebraska University Students Against Modern Day Slavery (NUSAMS). I also mentor at Lincoln High School and volunteer at St. Giana's daycare. I love cats, the color blue, and the TV show *The Walking Dead*. My freshman honors seminar was “The Body and Technology in Literature.”



JENNA PURDY

Elementary Education

Time: Thursday 3:30-4:30pm



I am from Omaha. As well as being a Peer Mentor, I am also a part of Honors Ambassadors. Currently, I am secretary for the Neihardt Residence Center. I plan on studying abroad this spring. I enjoy running, reading, anything dessert, and trying new foods. After I graduate, I am interested in working for Teach for America. My favorite TV shows are *The Office*, *Grey's Anatomy*, and *The Mindy Project*. When I was a freshman, I took “Performances of the East.”

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND HUMAN SCIENCES - CONT'D

SYDNEY RHOADES

Speech-Language Pathology

Time: Tuesday 1:00-2:00pm



I'm a senior from Omaha. On campus, I am involved with my sorority and the Nebraska Student Speech-Language-Hearing Association. I also do research in the Infant Communication Lab. In my free time I enjoy reading, feeding my Netflix addiction, and creating Spotify playlists. I also love both food and travel. After graduation, I plan to get my Master's in speech-language pathology. When I was a freshman I took "Freedom of Expression and the First Amendment."

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND HUMAN SCIENCES - CONT'D

MICHAELA SULLIVAN

Spanish/Speech-Language Pathology

Time: Wednesday 2:00-3:00pm



I am a senior from Bellevue. I am currently a member of Spanish Club, Nebraska Student Speech Language and Hearing Association, and a Bible study. I am also the social chair of Running Club and the scholarship chair of the Globetrotters Education Abroad Club. In my free time, I love to read, watch Husker sports, workout, and hang out with friends. Spring of my sophomore year, I studied abroad in Cusco, Peru and had a great time! I took "American Music" for my 189H.

DORIS SERVAN-ALVAREZ

Speech-Language Pathology

Time: Tuesday 3:00-4:00pm

I am a sophomore from Lincoln. I am involved with the National Student Speech-Language-Hearing Association and Student Council for Exceptional Children. I volunteer through the Center of Civic Engagement as well as teaching English through Lincoln Literacy. In my free time, I enjoy biking, running, rock climbing, hanging out with friends, traveling, or cooking. The freshmen seminar I took was "Freedom of Expression and the First Amendment."





COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

CHASE CAVERZAGIE

Construction Engineering

Time: Wednesday 2:00-3:00pm



I am a sophomore from Papillion. On campus I am involved in the Engineering Student Advisory Board, Nebraska Human Resources Institute, and the Greek community. Next summer, I would love to study abroad in Europe. In my free time I enjoy running and working out, exploring the great outdoors, and hanging out with friends! For my 189H course, I took “The 21st Century Scholar/Artist: Music Creation via the iPad.”

MICHAELA HEIMES

Mechanical Engineering

Time: Wednesday 1:00-2:00pm

I am a sophomore from Norfolk. I enjoy being involved in a variety of activities including Greek life, the Engineering Student Advisory Board, and volunteering at the Boys and Girls Club. In my free time I hang out with my friends, run, play intramural sports, and spend time with my family. I took “The 21st Century Scholar/Artist: Music Creation via the iPad” for my freshman Honors seminar.



COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING - CONT'D

PAUL O'DELL

Biological Systems Engineering

Time: Tuesday 4:30-5:30pm



I am a sophomore from Omaha. I am involved in the Ballroom Dance and Taekwondo clubs and the Nebraska Human Resources Institute. I enjoy the sciences, board games, my family, good books, and playing sports with friends. My favorite part of UNL is the different opportunities available; you have a chance to get involved in new things outside your comfort zone. You get to pick and choose what you do. I took “Performances of the East” for my freshman seminar.

SHANE STAN

Chemical Engineering

Time: Thursday 1:30-2:30pm



I am a sophomore from Blair. I am an active member of the College of Engineering Diplomats, the American Institute of Chemical Engineers, and BikeUNL. In the future, I hope to conduct research regarding resource sustainability and environmental protection. In my free time, I enjoy playing guitar and piano, as well as going on bike rides around Lincoln. As a freshman, I took “Psychology of Music.”

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING - CONT'D

EXPLORE CENTER



KELLY WEILER

Civil Engineering

Time: Tuesday 4:30-5:30pm



I am a sophomore from Omaha. Beyond my major, I'm working on a minor in Spanish. I hope to study abroad for a semester in my junior year in Madrid, Spain, to gain a speaking proficiency and learn more about the culture. This year I volunteered at a local middle school, working with students on their Spanish skills. Some of my favorite shows include *Grey's Anatomy*, *New Girl*, and *Friends*. I took "Art and the Search for Meaning in American Life."

ALLEGRA BLOMENBERG

Pre Health

Time: Tuesday 4:00-5:00pm



I am a sophomore from Norfolk. I am a Nutrition Science major with the goal of being accepted into medical school to become a dermatologist. I enjoy being a part of the No Kill Advocacy Club and Pre-Health Club. I volunteer at Good Dog Rescue and EPONA Horse Rescue every week. I spend my free time reading many, many books, hanging out with my best friends and family and shadowing doctors. I took "Rhetoric and Social Movements" for my 189H honors seminar.

BRETT WHORLEY

Biological Systems Engineering

Time: Wednesday 1:30-2:30pm

I am a junior from Omaha. I'm an officer for the Biomedical Engineering Society and a member of the Nebraska Human Resources Institute. I also participate in intramural sports and a Bible study on campus. I have had several research experiences, including one at Madonna Rehabilitation Hospital. In my free time, my hobbies include current events and anything related to watching or playing sports, especially baseball and basketball. I took "A World of Music" for my honors seminar.



ELENA BLUSYS

Pre Health

Time: Wednesday 2:30-3:30pm



I am a sophomore from Elkhorn. I hope to attend medical school, but don't know in what specialization yet. I love water sports and am a part of the UNL Waterski Team. In my free time you can find me biking or volunteering at True Buddy Farms, a farm that teaches disabled kids how to show sheep. I am minoring in Spanish and hope to study abroad while here at UNL. My freshman seminar was "How to Learn and Develop Talent."



HIXSON-LIED COLLEGE OF FINE AND PERFORMING ARTS

SKYLER DYKES

Music (Vocal Performance)

Time: Wednesday 3:30-4:30pm



I am a sophomore from Topeka, KS. On campus, I am involved in several music ensembles, including an all-female barbershop group, and I serve on the Hixson-Lied Student Advisory Board. Currently, I work as an event coordination intern at the Lied Center, where I also volunteer as an usher. Apart from studying and practicing, I enjoy doing yoga, reading travel magazines, drinking tea, and watching *The Daily Show*. My 189H was “Art and the Search for Meaning in American Life.”

HIXSON-LIED COLLEGE OF FINE AND PERFORMING ARTS - CONT'D

TAYLOR MEAD

Music (Horn Performance)

Time: Wednesday 3:00-4:00pm



I am a French horn performance major. I graduated high school from Blair, but grew up in Omaha. I am a member of the Wind Ensemble and play assistant for the Symphony Orchestra. I am in the Husker Horn Choir, a brass quintet, a woodwind quintet, and a horn quartet. I compose and arrange music for the Husker Horn Choir, and am seeking out an undergraduate research grant. I am also the Song Leader for my sorority and an Honors Ambassador. My 189H was “Animal Cognition.”

LAURA LINDER

Music (Vocal Performance)

Time: Thursday 6:00-7:00pm

I am a junior from Omaha. Outside of class I enjoy being a part of a music fraternity, the opera program, and other Honors Program activities. With my abundant, my favorite things to do include staring at pictures of cute animals, reading books, cooking new treats, and of course enjoying music. My favorite TV shows include *The Office*, *The 100*, and *Chopped*. When I was a freshman, I took “Great Love Stories.”



AUTUMN URBIGKIT

Music Education/Psychology

Time: Tuesday 5:00-6:00pm



I am a sophomore from Mitchell, SD. I am a piccolo player in the Cornhusker Marching Band, and I play flute in several other ensembles. Music is my passion, but aside from that, I love coffee, playing video-games, and thrift-shopping for used books. I consider myself a mega-fangirl, enjoy listening to podcasts and indie music, and painting. It is my dream to travel and perform on every continent someday! For my freshman seminar, I took “Rhetoric and Social Movements” for my 189H.

PEER MENTOR LEADERS 2016

Peer Mentor Leaders are responsible for providing student leadership for the Peer Mentor Program. Leaders serve as consultants, supervisors, and advisors for the ongoing work of the group. This includes a monthly group meeting with the Advisor for consultation regarding the program content, training and evaluation of Peer Mentors, as well as weekly correspondence with Peer Mentors.



EMILY COFFEY

Communication/Political Science

I'm a senior Political Science major from Lincoln. I'm a coffee addict, a piano player, an adventure lover, and an exercise enthusiast. I volunteer for TeamMates, serve on UNL's Student Court, and participate in my sorority. As I set my sights on an advanced degree, I appreciate the research and thesis-writing aspects of the Honors Program. I am grateful for the positive environment the Honors Program creates and the values it encourages: hard work, leadership, and overall excellence.



PEER MENTOR LEADERS 2016

NICOLE FORBES

Speech-Language Pathology

I am a senior from Beaver City. On campus, I conduct research, am involved in Greek life, Relay for Life, the Nebraska Student Speech-Language Hearing Association and Omicron Delta Kappa. I am also an Honors Ambassador. I enjoy baking, crafting, shopping, and camping with my family! After graduation, I plan to complete my master's degree in Speech-Language Pathology. I love Honors because it let me form close relationships with professors and students and has provided me with countless opportunities to grow.



ALEX JANVRIN

Actuarial Science/Mathematics

I am a junior from Omaha. I am a mentor for the Nebraska Human Resource Institute, a teacher's assistant for the math department, and a mentor for an international student program. I am also involved in Greek life and the Actuarial Science Club. I love to paint, work out, play the piano, ski, travel, and volunteer with Lincoln Literacy. I love the Honors Program because of the incredible professors and students I have met, who have helped me to get engaged on campus and push me to stay challenged in my coursework.



PEER MENTOR LEADERS 2016

CONNER KOZISEK

Political Science



I am a senior from Ainsworth, and I plan to attend law school after graduation. I have been involved with Freshman Campus Leadership Associates, The Big Event, Nebraska Human Resource Institute, Dance Marathon, and a study abroad program in Spain. I enjoy watching and discussing movies, eating Raising Cane's, and playing with my family's Australian Shepherd. I love the Honors Program because it opens doors for students who want to be engaged in their studies, involved on campus, and committed to further self-development.

PEER MENTOR LEADERS 2016

ALLISON PORTER

Biological Systems Engineering



I am a senior from Sterling. When I graduate from the College of Engineering, I hope to obtain a graduate degree in Biomedical Engineering. I am a member of the Air and Space Research team (ASR), a volunteer lifeguard for a special Olympics team, and an undergraduate researcher. I love to read, exercise, and spend time with friends and family. I chose the Honors Program because I sought to surround myself with ambitious, hard-working, and encouraging peers.

CAITLIN KUNZ

Management/Marketing

I am a senior from the small town of Stuart. I'm a member of the inaugural cohort of the CBA Honors Academy! On campus I am Treasurer of Peer Mentor Leaders, a student representative for Torch Club, and active in Omicron Delta Kappa. I am in my third year interning at Hudl and an account executive for UNL's student-led advertising agency, Yacht. I chose UNL Honors because it was a fantastic opportunity to enhance my education with dedicated faculty and a community of students with the same academic values as me.



AMY SODERQUIST

History/Social Science



I'm a senior from Omaha. I plan to teach high school world history or human geography, and eventually earn my Master's. I'm a tutor for the Nebraska Athletics Department, and I am involved with Honors Ambassadors and the history honor society. I have studied abroad in South Africa. I enjoy spending time with my family and friends and attending Husker athletic events. I'm also an avid *Harry Potter* and Disney fan. I love the Honors Program for the leadership opportunities, and the supportive community.

PEER MENTOR LEADERS 2016

LIBBY STEVENSON

Agricultural Education/Psychology



I'm a senior from Omaha. In my time at UNL, I've participated in Nebraska Human Resources Institute as a Staff Advisor, student government, College of Arts and Sciences Student Advisory Board, a sorority, and have studied abroad in Spain. I love spending time with my friends and family, meeting new people, and traveling. I'm grateful for the Honors Program because it has created a community and valuable connections that have enhanced my college experience while challenging me to be a more conscientious learner.

NATALIE STRAWHECKER

Nutrition and Health Sciences

I am a junior from Omaha. After graduation, I plan to attend physical therapy school and eventually work in an outpatient clinic. On campus I enjoy being a part of the UNL Running Club, Pre-Physical Club, and Student Council for Exceptional Children. I love volunteering and often work with Special Olympics and Madonna Rehabilitation Hospital. I love to attend Husker Athletics, cook, and spend time outdoors. I chose Honors because I wanted to connect with faculty and take academically challenging courses.



PEER MENTOR LEADERS 2016

JEFFREY WALLMAN

Biochemistry



I'm a senior from Filley. I'm involved in Campus Red Cross, Big Red Express Pep Band, Honors Ambassadors, American Medical Student Association, and Mortar Board. I volunteer at Bryan Medical Center and enjoy hanging out with friends, watching movies, and listening to Spotify. After graduation, I hope to attend medical school and become a surgeon. I think the Honors Program is essential to students because it places us in a position to pursue high academic achievement with other driven students.

ALEC WILLIAMS

Biological Sciences/Economics

I am a junior hailing from Omaha. I currently serve as a senator for student government, am a member-at-large for the Environmental Sustainability Committee, and am a member of the Men's Club Ultimate Frisbee Team. I enjoy camping, music composition, and 1 or 2 or 7 cups of coffee with breakfast. I joined the Honors Program because I wanted to enrich my college experience with the career opportunities offered by a large research university and the perks of a tight knit, academically-motivated community.



PEER MENTOR LEADERS 2016

KELSEY YOUNG

Pre Speech-Language Pathology



I'm a junior from Omaha. In my free time I like to play with my dogs, go to Ivanna Cone with friends, and watch *Gilmore Girls* and *The Office*. I'm involved in a sorority, Camp Kesem, Nebraska Human Resource Institute, Dance Marathon, and intramural sports. I have also studied abroad in Spain. After graduation I hope to get a Master's in Speech-Language Pathology. I joined the Honors Program because I wanted to surround myself with passionate and curious people that would challenge me

KRISTINA ZVOLANEK

Biological Systems Engineering

I am a senior from Lincoln, and I hope to pursue a career in the medical field. I am involved in the Innocents Society and Nebraska Human Resource Institute. I conduct research on learning disabilities and work as a TA in the Chemistry department. I enjoy reading, binge watching *Game of Thrones*, and being outdoors. I love the Honors Program because it has connected me to students who challenge and inspire me. I value the relationships I have formed with faculty, and I am grateful for the resources the Honors Program offers.



HONORS PROGRAM STUDENT INVOLVEMENT ACTIVITIES

Honors Program students participate actively in a variety of organizations that allow them to develop interpersonal and leadership skills beyond the Honors Program. Our students seek out opportunities in student government, the university marching band, organized sports, or service on their college advisory boards. Visit <http://involved.unl.edu/> to view the many involvement opportunities available. For questions regarding involvement, talk with your Peer Mentor.

HONORS PROGRAM STUDENT ADVISORY BOARD

The Honors Program Student Advisory Board consists of thirty students who have a leadership role in the Honors community: participating in program development, alumni and recruitment activities, and organizing social events. This group serves as a liaison to the Honors Program faculty concerning student issues. Cale Broderson currently serves as the Board president. For more information on this group, visit <http://honors.unl.edu/office/organization.shtml>.

