

TOP SCHOLARS

2015-2016 Annual Report of Carolina, Hamilton, Horseshoe, McNair and Stamps Scholars

University of South Carolina



Cover: *First Year Scholars Andrew Re, Neha Malhotra and Reagan Murphy form a united front during icebreakers at the First Year Scholars Retreat held in August.*

Each academic year, the University of South Carolina's outstanding Carolina, Hamilton, Horseshoe, McNair and Stamps Scholars come to our high-energy research campus from compass points throughout the nation. They have earned these highly competitive scholarships based on exceptional academic talent, exemplary character and notable leadership skills.

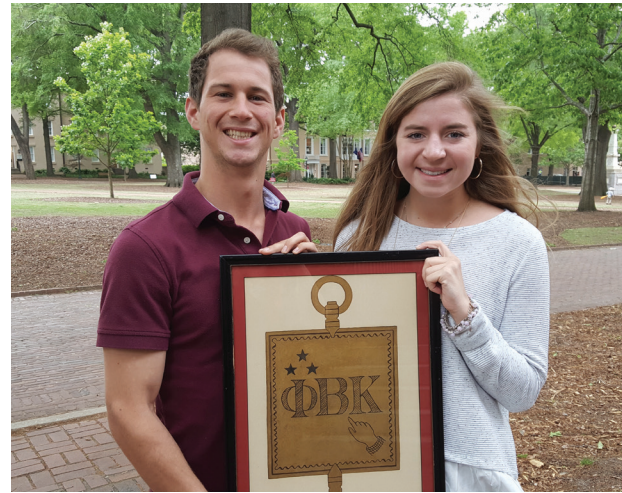
That's not all. These scholars come to us curious and eager to tackle new pursuits. It's as though they've heard a steady drumbeat of Henry James, who wrote, "Try to be one of the people on whom nothing is lost." In this edition of Top Scholars, it's abundantly clear that, from the moment these students stepped on campus to their final walk across the stage as graduates, nothing has been lost. They've experienced a rich academic life filled with inquiry and exploration.

Mentored by members of Carolina's experienced faculty and staff, supported by community and business leaders, alumni and donors, inspired by their peers and touched by the needs of communities both here and abroad, our top scholars have become citizens of the world. Their studies have found them in some of the world's most intriguing cities: Shanghai, Vienna, Santiago, Seville, Cairo and Guadalajara. They've seen the world through a different lens in Lima, Rome, Rotterdam and Buenos Aires. And they have even spent an entire semester at sea.

These scholars have embraced such diverse studies as biomedical engineering, marine science, English, molecular biology, international business, chemistry, media arts, public health, music, nursing and political science. They exemplify our belief that as Gamecocks, the future holds no limits.

We greatly appreciate our generous donors, who provide the fuel to ignite such curiosity and discovery. You have given our Top Scholars the impetus to continue toward greater learning and wisdom as they step forward to lead and shape a new world.

Harris Pastides, President, University of South Carolina
Joan T.A. Gabel, Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost



THE CAROLINA AND MCNAIR SCHOLARS

The University of South Carolina developed the Carolina Scholars Program in 1969 to celebrate the virtues of a world-class education. Through generous private support, we have expanded the program from 10 students in its first year to more than 88 scholars on campus during fall 2015. Since its inception, 793 scholars have participated in the program, which has been an integral factor in keeping many of the state's most academically talented students in South Carolina.

Established in spring 1998 as part of the university's Bicentennial Campaign, the McNair Scholars Program is an exciting scholarship fund for out-of-state students supported by generous gifts of \$30 million from university alumnus Robert C. McNair and his wife, Janice. The McNair Scholars Program is the counterpart to Carolina's prestigious Carolina Scholars Program for gifted in-state students. The university welcomed the 18th class of McNair Scholars this year, a group of the nation's brightest students, representing 14 states.

Distinguished by their extraordinary academic talent, exemplary character and remarkable leadership skills, the Carolina and McNair Scholars are outstanding students whose ideas and abilities will shape the world of tomorrow. These young scholars personify not only the ideals Ralph Waldo Emerson spoke of when he said, "Character is higher than intellect," but also the university's own motto: "Learning humanizes character and does not permit it to be cruel." As this report chronicles, these scholars have significantly enhanced the reputation of the university.

A continuing goal of both programs is to create a community of scholars with a united and visible identity. First-year scholars participate in a leadership retreat, creating bonds and developing skills that will last a lifetime. Through the generosity of the university's donors, these prestigious scholarship programs will continue to improve and grow. This top scholars report is offered as a testament to the successes of the programs that you have made possible.

A partnership was formed in 2013 to transform the Carolina Scholars Program: five new Carolina Scholars were recruited with the help of a gift from the Stamps Charitable Foundation. The university will add up to five new Stamps Carolina Scholars each year.

1 *Freshman Top Scholars enjoy a game of bubble soccer: (left to right) Liudas Panavas, Will*

Rivers, Stephanie Munie, Don Landrum and Andrew Re.

2 *Two Stamps Carolina Scholars, Daniel Clements and Sydney Poskevich, are inducted into Phi Beta*



THE SELECTION PROCESS

The Office of Undergraduate Admissions coordinates the selection process for Carolina and McNair Scholars. To be considered, students are required to submit an application for admission as well as the Honors/Top Scholars application supplement. The application generally asks students to include school and community activities and accomplishments, independent research and readings, goals for the future, an essay and teacher recommendations. Each applicant is carefully reviewed by faculty and staff members and evaluated in areas such as academic preparation, intellectual curiosity, leadership potential, recommendations, interest in the university and outstanding talents and accomplishments.

Each year, 50 Carolina Scholar candidates and 41 McNair Scholar candidates are selected to attend an interview weekend held in late February or early March. During this visit, candidates tour campus, view residence halls, meet with many prominent university faculty and staff members and senior administrators and attend sample classes. The campus visit is an opportunity for students to learn about the services and programs Carolina affords elite scholars and for students to experience the campus culture and community.

Each year, approximately 20 Carolina Scholars, five Stamps Carolina Scholars and 20 McNair Scholars are named from the group of 91 finalists. In addition to the monetary award, scholars enjoy many benefits, including preferred freshman housing and parking privileges and a laptop computer.

Our current and incoming Carolina and McNair Scholars are representatives of the best our nation has to offer and are an integral part of what makes the university a “faithful index to the ambitions and fortunes of the state.”

THE AWARDS

The Carolina Scholar and McNair Scholar Awards are the most prestigious undergraduate scholarships at the University of South Carolina. Students who accept the scholarships receive automatic entrance into the South Carolina Honors College. Each Carolina and McNair Scholar award provides a significant annual stipend that assists the student with college expenses. The stipends are renewable annually to support the scholars through four years of undergraduate study at the university.

In addition to the cash stipend, Carolina and McNair Scholars participate in activities during the school year that complement their academic experience. First-year scholars build community starting with their retreat, and they are also paired with university faculty members who serve as mentors during the year. Sophomores receive one-on-one advisement to assist with academic and co-curricular planning. All scholars have a full schedule of programs each semester, which includes socials, formal dinners, lectures and invitations to special campus events.

Kappa Society, the most prestigious American honor society.

3 *Scholars Natalie Pita, Pheobe Ngo, Noemi Glaeser, Kevin Field and Olivia Williamson work*

hard during a Scholars United service day at the Belser Arboretum.

4 *Freshman Scholars Charissa Pichai, Maddie Spetz, Katie Heins, Wade Curlee and Peer Leader*

Brett Williams brave “The Wall” at the First-Year Scholar Retreat at a local ropes course.



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STAMPS SCHOLARS

The university welcomed its third class of Stamps Carolina Scholars, with seven new first-year students entering the scholar community in August. While the fall semester was spent welcoming the new scholars, the spring semester was spent putting them all to work. The Stamps Carolina Scholars hosted a regional conference Feb. 5-7, bringing in 19 Stamps Scholars from nine different colleges and universities. The conference, titled From Good to Great — Finding Personal Excellence, began with an etiquette dinner on Friday night facilitated by the Moore School's Georgia Doran and continued with attending the university's Student Leadership and Diversity Conference. Following the SLDC, participants enjoyed a session on personal and professional speech by USC alumna Sally McKay. On Sunday, Kelly Crace from the College of William and Mary introduced the students to the Life Values Inventory. The conference was a big success, and the scholars indicated that they most enjoyed meeting one another in small groups.

The university partnership with the Stamps Family Charitable Foundation started in 2013 to recruit and educate five new Carolina Scholars annually over the course of four years, to a cap of 20 scholars. At USC these students are supported through the Office of Fellowships and Scholar Programs and receive support and networking opportunities regionally and nationally with partner schools and the foundation.

With all the perks of a Carolina Scholar Award, these students receive an additional \$8,000 for high-impact activities and enrichment, enabling these talented South Carolinians to pursue additional opportunities in research, study and travel abroad, community service, career development and more.

Perhaps the best explanation of being part of this prestigious scholarship comes from a current scholar, sophomore Clayton Buckaloo from Charleston, S.C.: "Being a Stamps Scholar has surrounded me with a group of like-minded individuals with very unique goals and activities. We each have limitless opportunities and resources to structure the exact education beyond the classroom we envision for ourselves. Each of us has so much we want to do, to be a part of and accomplish in these four years, and the Stamps program has given us #NoLimits."

back row, left to right: Clayton Buckaloo, Philip Richardson, Patrick McKenzie and Daniel Clements

middle row, left to right: Carina Leaman, Stephanie Munie, Sarah Greene, Jen Quindlen, Olivia Reszczynski and Ellen Gardiner

front row, left to right: Habiba Fayyaz, Charissa Pichai, Sara Wallam, Judith Lin, E.A. Matthews and Sydney Poskevich

ROBERT C. MCNAIR

ROBERT AND JANICE MCNAIR DONORS — MCNAIR SCHOLARSHIP UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA



Janice and Robert C. McNair have been champions of philanthropy for many years, giving generously to deserving causes while making education and medical research the cornerstone of their philanthropic giving. They are founders of The Robert and Janice McNair Foundation, the Houston Texans Foundation, the McNair Medical Institute and the Robert and Janice McNair Education Foundation in Forest City, N.C.

Robert McNair, the founder, chairman and chief executive officer of the Houston Texans, is best known in the business community as the founder of Cogen Technologies, which was the largest privately owned cogeneration company in the world when it was sold in 1999. He serves as chairman of The McNair Group and owns Palmetto Partners Ltd. and RCM Financial Services L.P., private investment entities. He is a graduate of the University of South Carolina, where he served as student body president. McNair was named Entrepreneur of the Decade by the Houston Technology Center and a Man of Distinction by the Museum of Fine Arts Houston and was awarded the James A. Baker III Prize for Excellence in Leadership by the Baker Institute at Rice University. He was inducted into the South Carolina Athletic Hall of Fame, the Texas Business Hall of Fame and the Houston Hall of Fame and was presented with an honorary doctorate of humanities from Baylor College of Medicine and the University of South Carolina.

Committed to bringing a National Football League team to Houston, McNair was awarded the 32nd NFL franchise in 1999, and the Houston Texans debuted in 2002. In 2011, 2012 and 2015, the Texans won the AFC South Division Championship. Active in NFL affairs, McNair serves as chairman of the NFL's Finance Committee and is a member of the Audit and Los Angeles Expansion committees. McNair's leadership led the NFL to award Houston, Texas, as host city for Super Bowl XXXVIII in 2004 and again in 2017, for Super Bowl LI.

McNair is credited with reviving Houston's collegiate bowl game in 2006 and presently serves as founder and chairman emeritus of the AdvoCare V100 Texas Bowl. McNair was honored by the bowl as a Gridiron Legend in 2011 for his impact on football at all levels in Houston.

Janice McNair, a graduate of Columbia College in Columbia, S.C., shares her husband's vision and passion for helping others. She has been honored by numerous nonprofit organizations, including the Salvation Army in 2014, Child Advocates in 2009 and the Girl Scouts of San Jacinto Council in 2005. Together, the McNairs have established McNair Scholars programs at the University of South Carolina, Columbia College, Rice University, Baylor College of Medicine, M.D. Anderson, the Menninger Clinic, Texas Children's Hospital and the Texas Heart Institute. In 2007, their transformational gift to Baylor College of Medicine enabled the recruitment of world-class research physicians and scientists in the fields of Type 1 diabetes, breast and pancreatic cancer and the neurosciences.

In 2015, they began establishing McNair Centers for Entrepreneurism and Free Enterprise at Rice University's Baker Institute for Public Policy, the University of St. Thomas Houston, Houston Baptist University, the University of South Carolina, Northwood University in Midland, Mich., and Columbia College.

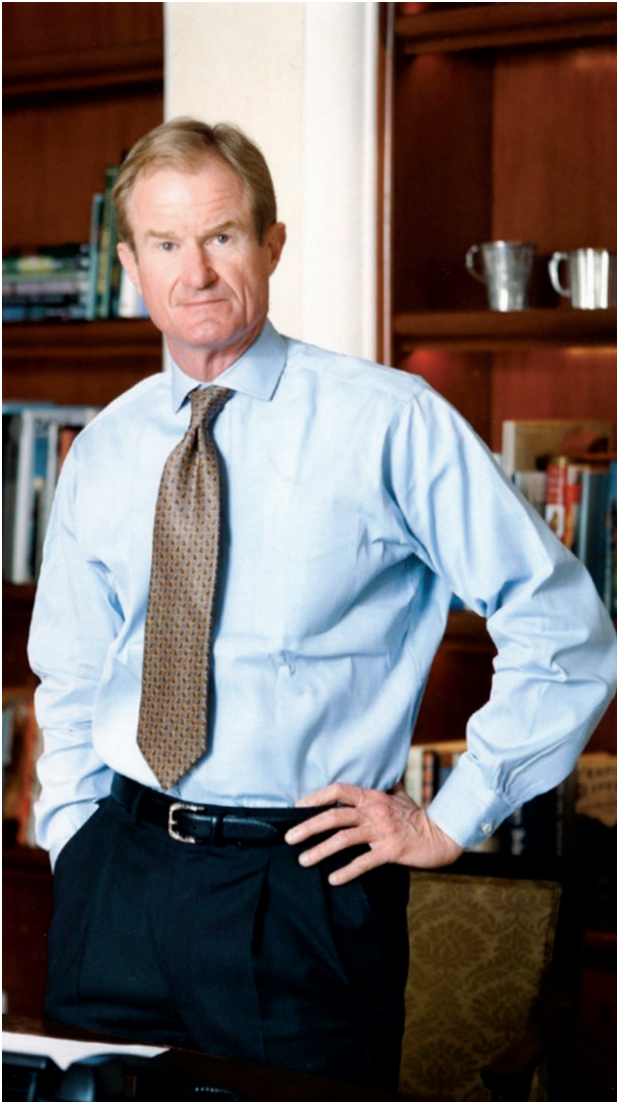
The McNairs' generosity hasn't gone unnoticed. In 2014, they received the Crystal Eagle Award from the Houston Community College Foundation, the inaugural Margaret Alkek Williams Humanitarian Award from UNICEF and the President's Award from Houston Baptist University, and they were honored by the Houston Zoo. In 2015, Bob McNair was honored as a Living Legend by M.D. Anderson and NBC's Tom Brokaw. The McNairs chaired the American Cancer Society's Hope Lodge Houston capital campaign and are currently co-chairing Texas Children's Hospital's Promise Campaign.

Bob and Janice McNair's transformational gifts helped establish the Janice and Robert McNair Hall at Rice University, the Janice Suber McNair Asian Elephant Habitat at the Houston Zoo, Houston Baptist University's McNair Hall and McNair Plaza, the AD Players' Lorraine M. George Theatre in Houston, Texas, and the McNair Baseball Field in Forest City, N.C.

The McNairs have been residents of Houston since 1960. They have four grown children, 15 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

E. ROE STAMPS IV

STAMPS SCHOLAR BENEFACTOR AND FRIEND OF THE UNIVERSITY



E. Roe Stamps IV of Coconut Grove, Fla., private investor and co-founder of the Boston-based private investment company Summit Partners, is a former lieutenant in the United States Navy Reserve, an industrial engineering graduate of Georgia Tech and an M.B.A. graduate from Harvard Business School.

Since his relocation to South Florida in 1993, Roe and his wife, Penny, have devoted significant time and resources to philanthropic causes in the community. Their interest in South Florida is deeply rooted, as they have been longtime supporters of the University of Miami, the Grayvik Animal Care Center, Fairchild Tropical Garden, the Make-A-Wish Foundation of Southern Florida, Miami Lighthouse for the Blind, Community Partnership for the Homeless, Ransom Everglades School, Breakthrough Miami, the University of Miami and a number of other organizations throughout the region.

Through the Stamps Family Charitable Foundation, formed by Penny and Roe 20 years ago, they have shown their deep commitment to education, supporting projects and scholarships at 41 universities nationwide. And with its Stamps Scholars initiative, the family foundation has created innovative scholarship programs supporting approximately 912 students during the upcoming school year.

Roe is a trustee emeritus of the Georgia Tech Foundation and a trustee at the University of Miami, the John S. and James L. Knight Foundation and several other distinguished organizations. At Georgia Tech, Roe served the foundation for more than 16 years. He has received the Distinguished Alumnus Award from the School of Industrial and Systems Engineering, the Joseph Mayo Pettit Alumni Distinguished Service Award, the highest award conferred by the Georgia Tech Alumni Association. He was inducted into Georgia Tech's Engineering Hall of Fame in 2001 and received an honorary Doctor of Philosophy in 2014.

In 2010, Roe was honored by the American Red Cross South Florida Region as the Humanitarian of the Year. In 2012, he was honored by Harvard Business School, receiving its most prestigious award, the Alumni Achievement Award.

Roe now dedicates his time to his personal interests, which include fly-fishing, bird hunting, flying, boating, jazz piano and spending time with his family: son, Will, daughter, Annie, and grandson, Hunter. In addition, he also takes time to enjoy his black Labrador retriever, Ella, his French bulldog, Nacho, and their family's 14 stray and pedigreed cats.



above left: Kate Hoffman and Joe Marazzo catch up at the Carolina Scholar Spring Donor Dinner.

above right: Sophomore Carolina Scholar Mara Cowen with her donor and My Carolina Alumni Association executive director Jack Claypoole at the Presidential Tailgate.

left: First-year Carolina Scholar Shreya Mehta with donors Mr. and Mrs. Jack Graybill at the Carolina Scholar Spring Donor Dinner.

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Carolina Scholar Awards are made possible by the contributions of individuals, corporations and foundations. The university development office cultivates and maintains relationships with donors of Carolina Scholar Awards. Private support of this and other programs enables the University of South Carolina to attract academically talented students and to provide the margin of excellence in all academic programs.

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above: John Isenhower, Olivia Reszczynski, Adam Glenn and Justin Garrison with Harris Pastides, the university's president, at the Carolina Scholar Spring Donor Dinner.



left: Celine Peksenar, Gabriel D'Agostino and Charissa Pichai meet with Carolina Scholar donor Kathy McKinney at the Carolina Scholar Spring Donor Dinner.

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above: First-year Scholars Reaghan Murphy and Sara Wallam with President Pastides and Patricia Moore-Pastides at the Student Government Senate Inauguration in the spring.



right: Katee Driscoll and new Gamecock head football coach Will Muschamp at a University Associates Luncheon.

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above right: Georgia Doran, a professional protocol consultant, facilitates this year's Etiquette Dinner in the fall.

bottom right: Provost Joan Gabel during her remarks to the McNair Scholars at their Spring Donor Dinner.

left: Pooja Malhotra and Katie Heins with the scholar-made valentines at the Ronald McDonald House.

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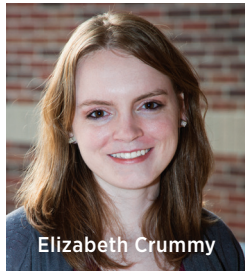
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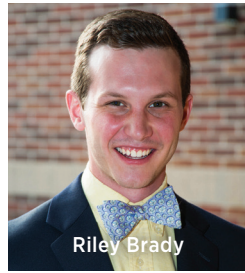
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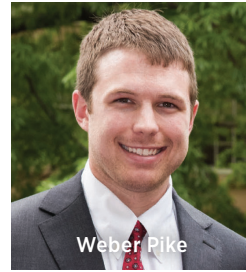
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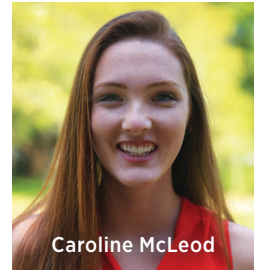
Mackenzie Sunday



Katee Driscoll



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Kayla Gardner

NATIONAL FELLOWSHIP WINNERS

Top scholars continued to bring distinction to themselves and the university as recipients of national fellowships. Spring 2016 brought the news of 13 scholars and one alumna winning these prestigious awards.

One national fellowship is named after a South Carolina leader: the NOAA Hollings Scholarship program is named after Sen. Ernest F. Hollings. The university has been a leader in this competition, and again this year is a top producer of scholars in the country. McNair Scholars Kayla Gardner and Olivia Harris are two of eight winners this year from USC. The award will provide each scholar with a stipend, a summer internship at a NOAA facility and networking opportunities unique to Hollings Scholars.

It is always great to have a first, and this year we have two! McNair Scholar Riley Brady was awarded USC's first Department of Energy Computational Sciences Graduate Fellowship. The award will provide outstanding benefits as he pursues a Ph.D., such as a stipend, tuition expenses, yearly conferences and a 12-week DOE practicum. Brady previously won both Hollings and Goldwater scholarships. McNair Scholar Katee Driscoll will complete a joint master's degree at universities in France, the Netherlands and Italy as a winner of the Erasmus Mundus Fellowship, another first for USC.

The National Science Foundation has an exceptional graduate fellowship program. McNair Scholar Elizabeth Crummy won a National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship this year, along with Carolina Scholar alumna Mackenzie Sunday. Additionally, McNair Scholar Charlotte Eckmann received an NSF honorable mention.

Tau Beta Pi is an engineering honor society founded in 1885 to advance interest in the engineering profession. This year, Hamilton Scholar Weber Pike won the Tau Beta Pi Undergraduate Scholarship, which recognizes students with excellent academic records.

Our global society makes international study a popular, if not essential, part of the collegiate experience. Senior McNair Scholar Morgan Lundy will spend a year teaching English in Malaysia on a Fulbright English Teaching Assistantship. All three of the university's DAAD Rise winners are McNair Scholars: Nick Greene, Sky Jaques and Caroline McLeod. The DAAD Rise is a summer research award to Germany for the STEM fields. This year, Jonathan Keefe was awarded the National Italian American Foundation Scholarship to spend a semester studying abroad in Italy, which he completed this past spring. A freshman McNair Scholar, Clare Hachten, is traveling to Taiwan to study Mandarin with an award provided by the Taiwan-U.S. Sister Relations Alliance.



SENIOR SCHOLARS

To introduce you to our senior scholars is to introduce you to the world — they find themselves in places their predecessors only dreamed of, traveling the globe to get immersed in other cultures or conduct groundbreaking field research. On these pages you will see photographs of our senior Carolina and McNair Scholars in their own element, a location of their choosing. For some of them, the choice was easy and obvious, but for others, more thought was employed. The photos, accompanied by the students' reflective and insightful words, provide glimpses into their time as Carolinians.



Patrick is about to rappel down a mountain in Pisgah National Forest after a long climb as part of a USC rock climbing course.

MCNAIR SCHOLAR

PATRICK BARBOUN

SALESIANUM SCHOOL
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CHEMICAL ENGINEERING

“What do you research?” This was the question I had for every professor that I met on my first trip to Carolina. As a high school student I developed a love of chemistry, and all I dreamed of doing was conducting research and going on to graduate school. I chose to study chemical engineering and quickly got involved in research. Being part of a research group at South Carolina led me to present my work at national conferences, write proposals for funding and finally get into graduate school to pursue a doctoral degree. But to speak only about my academic pursuits would not do justice to my incredible experience at USC as a Top Scholar. During that first visit, I never imagined that I would join a fraternity and compete in a dance competition for Homecoming. I did not think that I would be impacting the lives of students every day through peer tutoring. I couldn’t imagine I would scale a 200-foot cliff in North Carolina. USC has certainly made me into a scientist, but beyond that it has made me a student senator, a football fanatic, a peer mentor, a mountain climber and so many other great things.

Next fall Patrick will attend the University of Notre Dame to pursue a Ph.D. in Chemical Engineering. He hopes to continue with a career in research and eventually become a university professor.

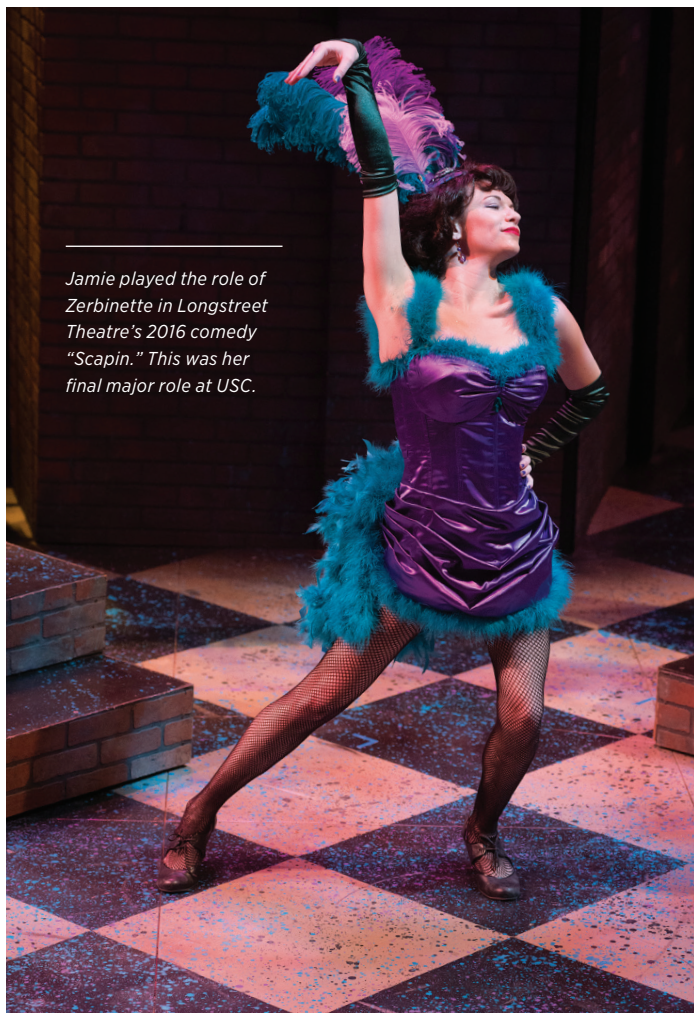
MCNAIR SCHOLAR

JAMIE BOLLER

COLLIERVILLE HIGH SCHOOL
MEMPHIS, TENN.
THEATRE AND ENGLISH

My time at USC has really allowed me the space and freedom I needed to grow as both a person and an artist. Since arriving here in the fall of 2012, I have had the opportunity to perform in 16 productions in four different theatres on campus with countless talented cast and crew members, directors and designers. Perhaps the most rewarding experience I have had since joining the theatre department here has been this past November, when I directed a production of Annie Baker’s “Circle Mirror Transformation” in the Lab Theatre. This project gave me the chance to collaborate with some of my favorite people I’ve met while at school here. The play follows an adult acting class and is, ultimately, a celebration of theatre and life. The characters create intimate relationships with one another during the class and then grow apart as they go on to live separate lives. One character asks, “Do you ever wonder how many times your life is going to end?” It was an important story for me to share in my senior year of college. Here, we learn from each other and establish close relationships and then often go on to live separate lives. And that’s okay. In fact, that’s pretty special.

Jamie plans to pursue performance opportunities with professional theatre companies in the coming year. Ultimately, she hopes to start an all-female theatre troupe.



Jamie played the role of Zerbiniette in Longstreet Theatre’s 2016 comedy “Scapin.” This was her final major role at USC.

Riley poses at the summit of the Mount of the Holy Cross (14,005 ft.) in the Colorado Rockies. As a Hollings Scholar at the NOAA Earth System Research Lab in Boulder, Colo., he spent most weekends hiking and camping with his fellow interns.



MCNAIR SCHOLAR

RILEY BRADY

CROSBY HIGH SCHOOL
MIDLOTHIAN, VA.
MARINE SCIENCE

I stumbled out of my tent at 3 a.m. to total darkness. Save for the rhythmic chirping of insects, the world around me was silent. My teeth chattered as I slipped on my boots and head lamp. It took me eight hours to hike through winding trails, over mountain ridges and past the last trees. Finally, I stood on a snowy summit 14,000 feet into the troposphere. I scanned the sea of rugged peaks that carved out the landscape before me — a career in research would not limit my passion for travel. Since freshman year, I worked with an incredible mentor at Carolina, where I learned to use climate models to predict the impacts of climate change on future ocean circulation. I interned on a beach in North Carolina and in the mountains of Colorado. Through presentations in Honolulu, San Francisco, Lake Tahoe and New Orleans, I got an early start to finding my place in the field. When applying to college, I knew that the McNair Scholarship and Marine Science Program were truly unique; I only applied to South Carolina and wouldn't change a thing. Thank you for all that you have given me, Carolina. I am eager to represent the Gamecocks with every step I take from here.

Riley started at the University of Colorado Boulder this summer, where he will earn his M.S. and Ph.D. in atmospheric and oceanic sciences.

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187 Top Scholars attended USC during the 2015-2016 school year.

SCHOLARS
BY THE NUMBERS

CAROLINA SCHOLAR

CATHERINE BUDDIN

JULIA AND SPUD SPADONI SCHOLARSHIP
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EXERCISE SCIENCE AND RELIGIOUS STUDIES



Seeking out beautiful green spots to read was one of Catherine's favorite things to do in Columbia.

I grew up a Gamecock. Both of my parents attended USC, and I spent many of my days as a kid running around the Horseshoe and cheering on the football team. It was always my dream to attend USC, and I even remember confidently stating during my Carolina Scholars interview that I was planning to come to USC regardless of their decision. I can now gladly look back on the last four years and see how much of what I'd envisioned for college did actually transpire, but in unexpected ways. I knew I would learn and study, but I didn't anticipate finding myself falling in love with memoirs, biographies and histories. I hoped to make new friends, but I did not expect to find, appreciate and grow in a community that has supported and challenged me in so many ways. I thought of travel, but I could not have predicted developing a heart for international service. It doesn't seem like enough to say I appreciate and cherish the experiences I've had, the things I've learned and the people I've met at USC. Thank you for not letting me stay the way I was. Thank you for being willing to walk with me through empty interest meetings and life-plan changes and to celebrate with me in Gamecock wins and good grades on Cutsinger essays. Thank you for teaching me to learn, lead and serve humbly and passionately. And thank you for pushing me to expect more out of myself, others and life than I'd come in expecting.

Catherine will serve as a community health volunteer with the Peace Corps in Ethiopia before pursuing a master's degree in public health.

MCNAIR SCHOLAR

CHRISTINA CANTU

CENTRAL BUCKS HIGH SCHOOL SOUTH
DOYLESTOWN, PA.
PSYCHOLOGY



Christina is seen here at a market in Tétouan, Morocco, with a local farmer woman. The woman, who sells clothing for female farmers, laughs as she dresses Christina in the traditional garb.

On the first night of McNair Weekend, I met a few other candidates with whom I instantly clicked. We stayed up all night talking about life, and we vowed to keep in touch when the weekend ended. We did, and our friendships developed. Although USC was 700 miles from home, I felt so at home with these friends that I chose to attend. That was only my first glimpse into the power of connection within the Gamecock community. Carolina feels like home not because of where it is, but because of who it is. Gamecocks come from various backgrounds, but we share a passion for this place and for each other. Belonging to this community motivates me to be someone who finds common ground with everyone. Whether I'm bonding with quieter families on my campus tours or laughing with a Moroccan farmer halfway across the world, the Gamecock spirit is what inspires me to be persistent in my attempts to connect with others. I never imagined that the friendships I made that first night would impact me so profoundly in the end. I'm grateful for every connection I've made during my time here, and I'm excited to see how these relationships grow.

After graduation, Christina will work as a pharmaceutical sales representative for Johnson & Johnson. She hopes to eventually pursue a Ph.D. in clinical psychology.



Riley's medical mission trip to Jamaica was one of the best weeks of his life. He will never forget all of the smiling faces he met there!

CAROLINA SCHOLAR

RILEY CHAMBERS

OLIN D. JOHNSTON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
IRMO HIGH SCHOOL
COLUMBIA, S.C.
BIOLOGICAL SCIENCE

One of my favorite moments at Carolina was at the football game against Georgia my freshman year. Before the game, the family of a soldier stationed in the Middle East was recognized on the field. The soldier appeared on the big screen and gave a shoutout to his family and to the Gamecock nation. His brief speech alone was moving, but then he ran onto the field to surprise his family. There wasn't a dry eye in the entire stadium. Also, we commenced to putting a whooping on UGA. It is great to go to a school with such patriotism and respect for those who make America a safe and great place to live.

Next year Riley will be attending one of South Carolina's medical schools.

CAROLINA SCHOLAR

SONA CHOWDHARY

ADA B. THOMAS SCHOLARSHIP AND MARY B.M. PEARCE JOHNSTON
AND JAMES T. PEARCE JR. SCHOLARSHIP
SOUTH CAROLINA GOVERNOR'S SCHOOL FOR SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS
FLORENCE, S.C.
BIOLOGICAL SCIENCE

As a student at the University of South Carolina, I have had the privilege of meeting such a diverse, passionate and lively group of people. During these four years, not only have I gained a deep interest in both research and medicine, but I have also found and enjoyed new hobbies such as yoga, Frisbee and programming. Experiences such as attending my first music festival, getting a clinical research study published, working at the free medical clinic and pulling late nights with my friends studying for exams have all enriched my life and shaped me during these past four years. As I embark on a new chapter of my life, I hope that I can continue exploring and experiencing new things with amazing people.

Sona plans to attend the USC School of Medicine Greenville starting July 2016. She will begin with the EMT training program.



Sona Chowdhary enjoyed her 2014 vacation to the Hawaiian island of Maui.

37

37 scholars won 55 awards
at Awards Day.

SCHOLARS
BY THE NUMBERS



Elizabeth explored Seattle during the Neuroscience Graduate Program Interview Weekend and finally got a full view of downtown!

MCNAIR SCHOLAR

ELIZABETH CRUMMY

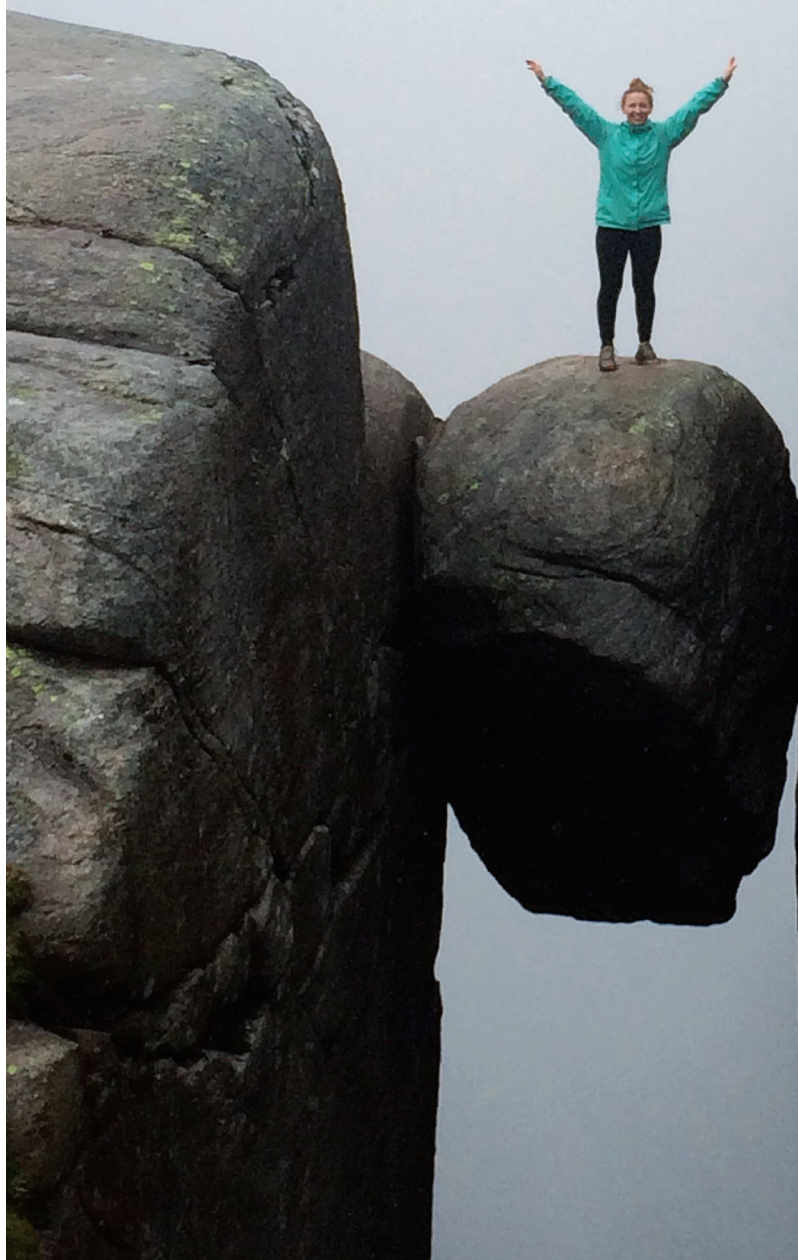
**OLYMPIA HIGH SCHOOL
ORLANDO, FLA.
BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING**

If you had asked me my freshman year where I'd be today, it would never have included being a researcher in Nashville or traveling to the West Coast and the Netherlands. Being in the Honors College at USC, I have pursued tremendous opportunities

I would have never thought possible. As an undergraduate, I went abroad for the first time, relishing a fun and eye-opening Maymester to the Netherlands. Biking through Amsterdam and witnessing the beauty of the countryside, I remember feeling that no experience could be greater. A year later, I was accepted into the Conte SURE summer research program at Vanderbilt and living in Nashville, standing in the streets of downtown in the rain, cheering as fireworks went off to the music of the Nashville orchestra. Exploring Nashville and getting a sneak peek into the life of a graduate student, I confirmed not only my love for research but also a greater assurance of my abilities and insight into the career path I dreamed of pursuing. This year, I finally traveled to the West Coast in pursuit of finding my perfect fit for graduate school. Being a top scholar opened these experiences to me, for which I am truly thankful.

Elizabeth will attend graduate school at the University of Washington this fall.

On a hiking trip throughout southern Norway in the summertime, Katee couldn't pass up the opportunity to climb 1,000 meters above the fjord onto the famous Kjeragbolten.



MCNAIR SCHOLAR

KATEE DRISCOLL

PENSACOLA CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL
PENSACOLA, FLA.
PHYSICS AND MATHEMATICS

This one time, when I was in the Philippines, I went snorkeling with whale sharks. Swimming alongside these majestic creatures through pristine blue waters seemed like a marvelous idea until we encountered a school of jellyfish. By the time I realized we were in the middle of hundreds of little jellyfish, there was nowhere to go but forward — through the entire school. That memory reminds me a lot of life: incredible opportunities and experiences sweep you up, and hopefully their momentum carries you through the tougher patches. Sometimes you emerge unscathed, sometimes not, but you always wind up a stronger person.

Katee will pursue a master's degree in physics in Europe on an Erasmus Mundus Fellowship.



MCNAIR SCHOLAR

KEENAN DUNKLEY

MARVIN RIDGE HIGH SCHOOL
WAXHAW, N.C.
BIOLOGICAL SCIENCE

My journey to the University of South Carolina has mimicked the four years I spent here after being selected a McNair Scholar. Specifically, USC, even before I stepped foot on campus, granted kindness, dedication to academic passion and fierce friends. Once enrolled as a McNair scholar, my eyes were opened to the great opportunity this very special university holds. I was able to be a student senator, health care advocate, presidential campaign clerk, member of a fraternity, president's list student and loyal Gamecock football fan. None of these accomplishments would have been possible without the confidence and support of the McNair scholar network. I always had a friendly face supporting me, and, as I graduate, I look back fondly on USC but hold great personal care and love for my fellow scholars. Truly, our experiences form a quilt of achievement, and I am proud not only of what I have done, but of everything accomplished in the name of USC and the McNair program.

Keenan will attend medical school to pursue a specialty in pediatric oncology. From there, he hopes to work locally and globally to counter child neoplasm rates.

Keenan and his mom pose on Awards Day during his sophomore year. He was honored for his academic achievements during his freshman year by Phi Beta Kappa as one of their Freshman Excellence awardees. His entire family came from North Carolina to attend. This photo holds great importance due to its location and the presence of those he holds dear. While he could have chosen any picture from all over the world, USC's Horseshoe has held a special place in his heart and will always feel like home, and he was happy to share his achievements with his family.



CAROLINA SCHOLAR

JACOB DUSTAN

JAMES A. MORRIS SCHOLARSHIP
ACADEMIC MAGNET HIGH SCHOOL
CHARLESTON, S.C.
INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

My time at Carolina has shaped and guided my life's trajectory in ways I never would have expected. I arrived thinking I knew exactly what I wanted to do and that I was a hotshot student who knew so much about business ... and then life slapped me upside the head with some humility. I quickly learned that the next four years would have a few surprises in store. But those lessons learned — struggling through intense international business courses, trying to start a cybersecurity company, exploring railroad yards and ports, traipsing through the dark Swedish winter while on exchange — have shaped who I am today, and I will always be grateful for that encouragement of growth and personal discovery. My favorite memories from Carolina aren't the great achievements or massive football games, but rather the intimate moments sitting with a mentor in Colloquium Cafe discussing future plans, walking through the Horseshoe on crisp autumn mornings and experiencing the college path less traveled. Carolina has become a part of me, a welcome home I never expected, a transformative four years that will stay with me for life.

Jake is taking a year off to pursue a cybersecurity startup venture in Charleston, S.C.

During his travels through Scandinavia while studying abroad, Jake visited the fjords and mountains of Norway, experiencing natural wonders steeped in Nordic legend along the way.

MCNAIR SCHOLAR

CHARLOTTE ECKMANN

TATES CREEK SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL
LEXINGTON, KY.
MARINE SCIENCE

In my four years of undergrad, I've snorkeled with manatees, slept in a castle, scaled a waterfall and eaten termites in a rain forest. Oh, and I suppose I studied a little bit, too. It was not until last summer that it really hit home how much I've grown. I had an internship at Mote Marine Lab after freshman year that let me get my feet wet (literally) in the field of marine science. It was my second summer

with a car, a 2001 minivan on loan from my parents, and I ran into a pole at a gas station. This past summer I had an internship at the NOAA lab in Charleston, S.C. Not only was I paid this time, but I also bought my first car, and so far it is a little bit scratched. Comparing these summer experiences, I clearly see my progression as a person: not only am I a better scientist, but I am also a slightly better driver. Sure, I could have improved my driving skills anywhere, but I would not be the person I am now without my time at Carolina.

Charlotte will begin her graduate education in ocean sciences at the University of California Santa Cruz this fall.

Charlotte crouches among the natural beauty of the Isle of Mull, in Scotland.



MCNAIR SCHOLAR

DAVID GALBAN

UPPER MERION AREA HIGH SCHOOL

KING OF PRUSSIA, PA.

MATHEMATICS AND ECONOMICS

It was a long journey getting to the University of South Carolina — being in a cram-packed car for 12 hours certainly isn't the most pleasant of activities — but I've found that the greater journey was the one I embarked on once I got there. The difference, of course, is that this one was largely internal, where I have spent four years growing, developing and learning, not so much what to think, but rather how to think and, just as importantly, how to live. It's been one that's taken me halfway around the globe, from semesters abroad in Paris to summer research opportunities in Los Angeles. Nevertheless, it's been at South Carolina where I've taken the greatest steps, and from that first day in August, when I first stretched my legs and got settled in, I knew that it was there that I was meant to be. My journey there is all but over now, but I am grateful to have been able to take it, and I look forward to all the journeys to take in the future.

David will be working toward his doctorate in mathematics at the University of Georgia, with the ultimate goal of going into mathematical research.

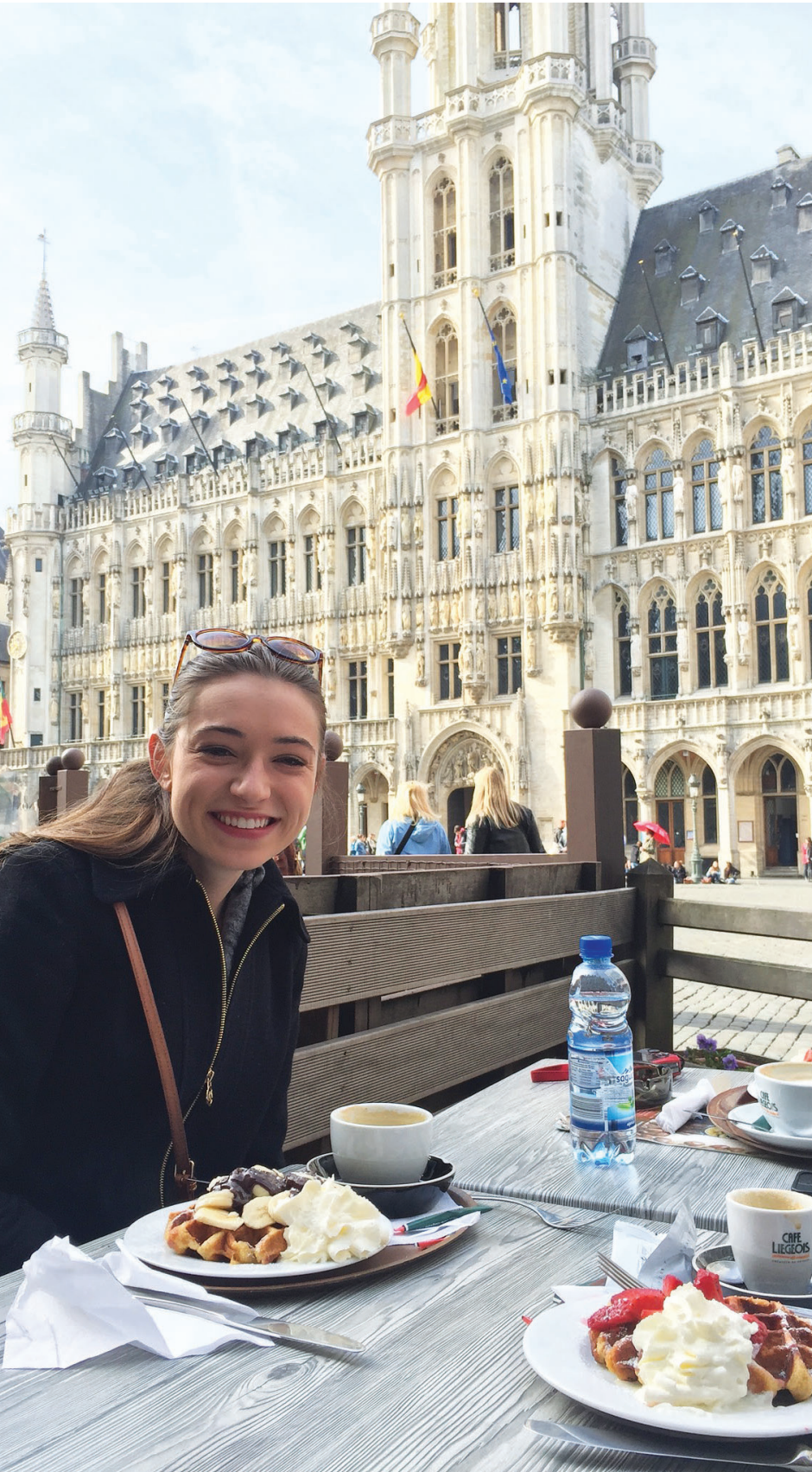
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5 Top Scholars served as
University Ambassadors.

SCHOLARS
BY THE NUMBERS



David (second from left) and some other students from the Logic School at UCLA take a much-needed respite in the Santa Monica mountains.



CAROLINA SCHOLAR

HANNAH GREENWAY

JENNIFER M. AND MACK I. WHITTLE
SCHOLARSHIP

JAMES L. MANN HIGH SCHOOL
GREENVILLE, S.C.

INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS AND ECONOMICS

I began here at Carolina as an undeclared major and undecided in just about everything else. I attribute any semblance of direction or purpose I have now to the people and places I have been lucky enough to encounter here. My diploma will truly be an ode to them. Looking back now, I know that my time at USC has been paradoxical in nature, solidifying my self-worth in knowing that my voice can be impactful but at the same time giving me a healthy dose of humility to realize the relative triviality of most of my worries. As a Gamecock, I have been afforded the chance to experience some of the world's greatest places: Mount Doom in New Zealand, Old Town Square in Prague, Grand Place in Brussels, Schonbrunn Palace in Vienna and, of course, the Horseshoe right here in Columbia. My undergraduate career has offered me the most beautiful places and the most brilliant people to learn from, and because of that, my "forever to thee" will always be in their honor.

After graduation, Hannah plans to move to San Diego to work as a consultant for a couple years before returning to school to pursue a master's degree in development economics.

During her four years as a Carolina Scholar, Hannah participated in two study abroad programs and visited 11 countries.

30

30 S.C. cities are represented
by current Carolina Scholars.



SCHOLARS
BY THE NUMBERS



Weston's parents and older brother visited Columbia for his last home football game against Clemson as a USC student.

MCNAIR SCHOLAR

WESTON GROVE

**CYPRESS RANCH HIGH SCHOOL
HOUSTON, TEXAS
BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING**

I always wanted to be a doctor, but I never wanted to be a researcher. In fact, as a freshman I was pretty adamant that research was something I would never pursue. Four short years later, however, my career aspirations now revolve around research. My experiences at USC have given me the desire to pursue a master's degree in public health in addition to an M.D., so I can study how socio-economic and political factors affect individual care and treatment. I can only thank USC for allowing me to discover this unknown passion of mine. During my time here, I've worked dozens of hours as a volunteer in a clinic for the underserved Spanish speakers in Columbia. I spent a summer studying global health in Valencia, Spain. Several mentors have worked with me to develop successful grant applications that allowed me to explore various research interests. I was even lucky enough to travel to the Dominican Republic in order to conduct an original study. The opportunities USC provides its student have no limits, and without these opportunities I would not be who I am today.

Weston will spend the next year applying to joint M.D.-M.P.H. programs at various medical schools across the country. In his free time away from the application process, he will be doing one of the things he loves most: traveling the United States, South America and Europe.

For her senior thesis, Katy explored the nooks and crannies of South Carolina on a road trip throughout her home state.



CAROLINA SCHOLAR

KATY HALLMAN

**USC ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT SCHOLARSHIP
CHRIST CHURCH EPISCOPAL SCHOOL
GREENVILLE, S.C.
PUBLIC HEALTH**

I think the worst piece of advice I've ever received is to "let college be your selfish years." In fact, through my time at Carolina, my most treasured memories are those where I wasn't the star — where what I was doing wasn't about me. Whether it was taking a bus full of high school girls to summer camp or witnessing a Nicaraguan patient see for the first time after giving them their first pair of glasses, those moments are the ones that have defined my USC experience. Looking back, I am convinced that college is the perfect time to give your life away for others.

Katy will be attending medical school at the Medical University of South Carolina in the fall of 2016 after a summer of exploring.



Camille poses for a photo in front of one of many murals on the colorful Caminito street in the fun Buenos Aires neighborhood of La Boca.



MCNAIR SCHOLAR

CAMILLE HARRIS

HENRY W. GRADY HIGH SCHOOL
ATLANTA, GA.

INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS, MARKETING
AND GSCOM

Undecided. That is how I came into the University of South Carolina. My friends were undecided. My major was undecided. My goals were undecided. My future was undecided. Being a McNair Scholar catapulted me into a land of opportunity where money was no object; all I had to do was decide. My experiences abroad were by far my best decisions. Throughout my five-month journey studying in Spain, I discovered lifelong friends and a passion for traveling. From taking 3 a.m. strolls in the city center to attending classes on a campus surrounded by the most spectacular views of the mountains, the experience was truly unforgettable. As a first-timer in Europe, I seized every opportunity to city hop throughout Spain and even go on some adventures with new friends and family in France, Italy and England. The traveling continued with a Maymester in Latin America, encompassing a breathtaking view of Santiago, Chile, from climbing to the top of Cerro San Cristóbal to zip-lining through Maipo Valley, doing the tango in Buenos Aires and infinite empanadas. As a result of these experiences, I'm determined to find the most incredible scenery all around the world, and until then, I will be comforted by these permanent memories made with USC.

After graduation, Camille will continue to travel as a supply chain software consultant with Manhattan Associates, based in her hometown of Atlanta, Ga.



Luke poses in his kitchen, getting ready to record the video for his Kickstarter campaign that would fund his forthcoming cookbook, "Sweets & Drinks."

CAROLINA SCHOLAR

LUKE HAVENS

MARY MEECH AND MICHAEL J. MUNGO SCHOLARSHIP
SOUTH CAROLINA GOVERNOR'S SCHOOL FOR
SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS
FLORENCE, S.C.
BIOLOGICAL SCIENCE

For most of my sophomore and junior years, I ran a small bakery out of a rent-by-the-hour kitchen that sold mostly at farmers markets around town. In retrospect I probably had no business starting a business, but I like to think that I made up for what I lacked in business acumen with stubbornness. I sunk most of my time for over a year into that bakery — my regular schedule was to work through the night on Fridays so that, when the big market rolled around Saturday morning, everything I sold was as fresh as possible. At least once a week during the summer and every other week during the school year, I worked for about two-thirds of a 24-hour day. Despite this and the inherent variability of my income, running the bakery full time was one of the best experiences of my life, and I don't think it would have been possible anywhere else. Columbia was the perfect size, its people were receptive and forgiving, and the friends I made at USC were supportive. I'll always be thankful to this city and university for fostering the kind of environment that let me have such a wonderful learning experience.

After graduation, Luke will continue working in comparative neurobiology research at USC before attending a Ph.D. program for the same.





John and his mom pose in the door of a Hobbit-hole in the Shire during his study abroad Down Under.

CAROLINA SCHOLAR

JOHN ISENHOWER

INTERFRATERNITY COUNCIL
PANHELLENIC SCHOLARSHIP
SOUTH CAROLINA GOVERNOR'S SCHOOL FOR
SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS
GREENWOOD, S.C.
CHEMICAL ENGINEERING

When I first arrived at USC, I really had no idea where I wanted to get involved. I made my way through various club sports, organizations, even missionary work, not sticking with many for much more than freshman year. If my time abroad did anything at all, it changed my perspective and made me realize how much more I could get out of college. Within the year, that all changed, and I found myself being a real active member, even on the executive board for several different groups, and performing my first internship in chemical engineering, while continuing mission work in Guatemala. It may have taken a while, but I found my niche here, and I couldn't be happier with my choice to come to USC four years ago.

John will move to upstate New York to begin his career as a nuclear engineer, working for Bechtel Marine Propulsion Corporation on nuclear vessels for the Navy.

44

44 scholars studied abroad this year, from May 2015 to spring 2016, and they visited 23 different countries.

SCHOLARS
BY THE NUMBERS

MCNAIR SCHOLAR

RACHEL KITCHENS

CYPRESS WOODS HIGH SCHOOL
CYPRESS, TEXAS

INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS, ECONOMICS AND GSCOM

If you had asked me four years ago what I wanted from my college experience, I would've said something along the lines of, "I'm not sure of the details, but I know I want it to be incredible." The University of South Carolina did not disappoint, and my time here has been just that: incredible. The sheer number of opportunities afforded to me by this institution is nothing short of amazing. From singing with the Concert Choir in famous churches in Spain to standing at the top of Mt. Kilimanjaro in Tanzania proudly wearing a Gamecocks shirt, from studying at top universities in London and Milan to working with the city of Columbia, S.C., in community service efforts after devastating floods and giving tours to prospective students, the university has not only educated me inside the classroom but also made the world my classroom. One of the greatest lessons that my time here has taught me is that life is a series of moments and, whether the moments themselves last minutes, months or years, to appreciate the moment I'm in and always be unafraid to step into the next great moment of my life. I am so grateful for this crazy, beautiful, wonderful moment of four years at USC, but being a Gamecock will continue to shape me for the rest of my life.

Rachel is moving to Atlanta, Ga., to begin her career with Manhattan Associates, a supply chain software firm.

14

14 states are represented by current McNair Scholars.

SCHOLARS
BY THE NUMBERS





Rachel takes in the stunning views from above Santorini, Greece, during a study abroad trip.



CAROLINA SCHOLAR

CHRISTIAN KLOOT

STUDENT GOVERNMENT SCHOLARSHIP
DREHER HIGH SCHOOL
COLUMBIA, S.C.
EXERCISE SCIENCE

I grew up in Gamecock country, so when I moved into the dorms in 2012, it was like moving home. I remember feeling a stunningly vibrant energy. The energy of a community full of young, ambitious people is enough to inspire anybody. It allowed me to fully experience the incredible social movement of learning that is college, where personal success is supported by the bonds formed with

like-minded colleagues. These bonds helped me balance education with extracurricular activities. With the help of friends and fellow Gamecocks, and some of the most well-informed scientists in the nation, Dr. Durstine and Dr. Chen, my college journey has led me through an incredible experience of personal growth.

Seven years ago, Christian stumbled upon the sport of Olympic weightlifting, and he's since dedicated himself to the sport and to the field of health and fitness, an expertise which has been thoroughly enriched by the exercise science department. His plans are to continue coaching and training while pushing his own athletic career, winning a national title and making an Olympic team. His long-term goal is to move back to Namibia, where he was born, and start a weightlifting school for underprivileged youth.

Lifting has been Christian's long-time passion. Here is a picture of him snatching at South Saluda Strength.



CAROLINA SCHOLAR

DAVID LEGGETT

HENRY LAURENS SCHOLARSHIP
WANDO HIGH SCHOOL
MOUNT PLEASANT, S.C.
ECONOMICS AND POLITICAL SCIENCE

Over the summer, several friends and I sat in the State House gallery to watch the closing hours of the Confederate flag debate. Over several hours, we watched in awe as the debate took place in front of us. We had taken bets on the final time of adjournment; we had called our friends working as pages to get copies of various floor amendments; we had been shushed by the Speaker of the House on numerous occasions; and we audibly gasped when a member proposed a motion which none of us had heard of. Through the entire process, we sat thrilled not just by the outcome of the vote, but by the richness of the debate and legislative maneuvering we had just witnessed. It truly was the legislative process at its finest. It is times like this that remind me why I came to Carolina. I came because I was excited to live in a capital city and get involved in local politics, but what I found when I got here was completely different. I found a family, I found friends that cared more about me than I thought possible, and I found myself. I will certainly leave USC with a phenomenal education, but I will leave with so much more than that. I will leave with a sense of who I am, a sense of my place in the world and friends that will last me a lifetime.

David will enroll at the USC School of Law in fall 2016.

After living in Elliott College for three years, the Horseshoe has become David's second home.

MCNAIR SCHOLAR

RACHEL LEMALEFANT

DOWNINGTOWN EAST HIGH SCHOOL

GLENMOORE, PA.

BIOCHEMISTRY AND MOLECULAR BIOLOGY

I will always cherish my time here with my USC family. Everybody tells you how fast college flies by, and lots of people will tell you it is a transformative experience, but it wasn't until I came to Carolina that I realized just how much there was to know about the world, about the people in this world and about myself. I saw some of this world on Honors College Maymester trips to Romania and the Netherlands, as well as during a study abroad semester in London. I met some of these people while volunteering in a hospital here in Columbia, as well as shadowing physicians in the various countries I've visited. And I've learned about myself both through personal challenges I've faced by stepping outside my comfort zone and through the eyes of the wonderful people who have been here to support me through those challenges. My mentors, family and friends have shown me the compassion and motivation I hope to one day show my patients. Moving forward, I will be forever grateful to the Carolina community that took me in just four short years ago, and extremely proud of the person coming out the other side.

Rachel will matriculate at the Drexel University School of Medicine in Philadelphia, Pa., in August in pursuit of her dream of becoming a physician.



Rachel poses in front of Big Ben on her study abroad semester in the United Kingdom in January 2015.



Nicholas found a picturesque spot overlooking St. Martin's Cathedral in Bratislava, Slovakia, where he traveled during his semester abroad in Leeds, England.

MCNAIR SCHOLAR

NICHOLAS LENZE

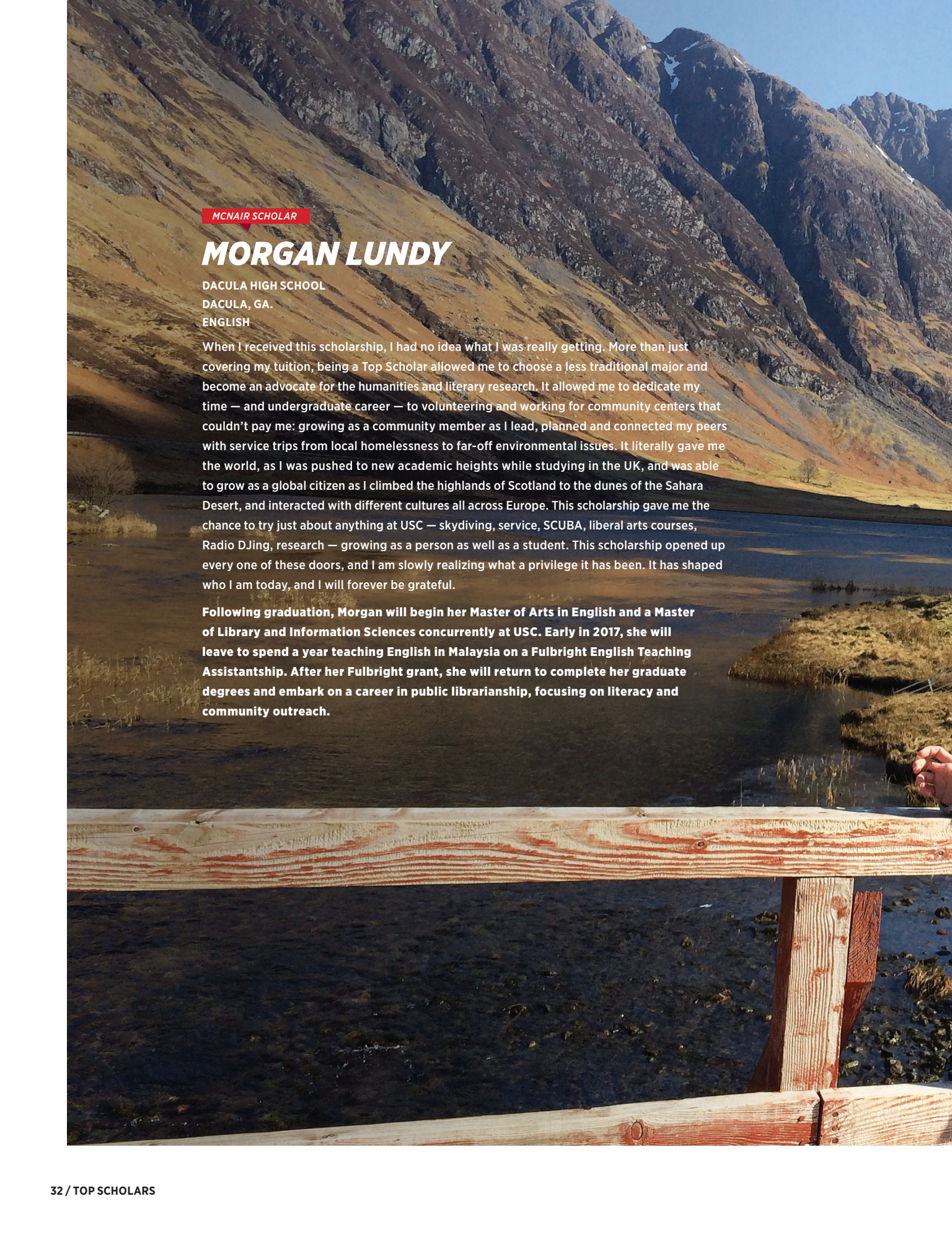
NORTHERN GUILFORD HIGH SCHOOL

SUMMERFIELD, N.C.

BIOCHEMISTRY

Often times the only consolation that I can offer patients as a personal touch volunteer on the cancer ward of Palmetto Health Baptist is my faith that nothing is beyond God's power. Beth, an elderly cancer patient, was anxious about the results of her impending biopsy. Her oncologist was worried that Beth might have an aggressive form of cancer. After Beth told me this, I promised to say an extra prayer for her that night. Slightly comforted, she described how she was a nurse for 68 years and had seen the power of faith with her own eyes. Speaking in a soft voice, she revealed, "I'm Mormon, but it's less about what religion you practice and more about how you live your life. Will you say a prayer with me right now?" Time stopped as I knelt down beside her, held her hand and prayed for God's healing touch. Moments such as these, with humans from every nook and cranny of the world, have enlivened my undergraduate journey and shaped my desire to become a clinician. I will always be grateful for the amazing USC community that made my volunteer, research and study abroad endeavors possible. Forever to thee!

Nicholas will pursue an M.D. degree at the University of North Carolina School of Medicine in Chapel Hill starting this fall.



MCNAIR SCHOLAR

MORGAN LUNDY

DACULA HIGH SCHOOL
DACULA, GA.
ENGLISH

When I received this scholarship, I had no idea what I was really getting. More than just covering my tuition, being a Top Scholar allowed me to choose a less traditional major and become an advocate for the humanities and literary research. It allowed me to dedicate my time — and undergraduate career — to volunteering and working for community centers that couldn't pay me: growing as a community member as I lead, planned and connected my peers with service trips from local homelessness to far-off environmental issues. It literally gave me the world, as I was pushed to new academic heights while studying in the UK, and was able to grow as a global citizen as I climbed the highlands of Scotland to the dunes of the Sahara Desert, and interacted with different cultures all across Europe. This scholarship gave me the chance to try just about anything at USC — skydiving, service, SCUBA, liberal arts courses, Radio DJing, research — growing as a person as well as a student. This scholarship opened up every one of these doors, and I am slowly realizing what a privilege it has been. It has shaped who I am today, and I will forever be grateful.

Following graduation, Morgan will begin her Master of Arts in English and a Master of Library and Information Sciences concurrently at USC. Early in 2017, she will leave to spend a year teaching English in Malaysia on a Fulbright English Teaching Assistantship. After her Fulbright grant, she will return to complete her graduate degrees and embark on a career in public librarianship, focusing on literacy and community outreach.



Morgan experienced so much during her time abroad: one of her favorite moments was seeing the too-perfect-to-be-real Scottish Highlands and learning about their history.



Elizabeth spent a lot of her time devoted to undergraduate research, studying the role certain proteins have in Alzheimer's disease. This is something she hopes to further pursue in her graduate training.

CAROLINA SCHOLAR

ELIZABETH MOORE

PEPSI-COLA COMPANY SCHOLARSHIP

SAINT JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

GREER, S.C.

BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING

Four years ago, as I was deciding where to go to college, I never would have imagined I would be here today. If you had asked me what I was going to do in college, I would have given the very simple answer of "well, I'm going to study biomedical engineering." Little did I know the faculty and staff at the University of South Carolina would push and challenge me to do much more than simply study. Over the past four years, I have come to realize that a University of South Carolina education extends far beyond the walls of the classroom. During my time as a Gamecock, I've had the opportunity to watch surgeries in Romania, participate in undergraduate research studying Alzheimer's disease, apply for national fellowships and coach a local church basketball team. It's these experiences, and the people that I have experienced them with, that have led me to where I am today. It is because of the investment and support given to us that we, as students, can learn, grow and discover who we are and who we want to be. My time as a Gamecock has not only taught me how to be an engineer, but shown me the importance of passion, service and discovery, and that's something I am forever grateful for.

Elizabeth is pursuing an M.D./Ph.D. at Vanderbilt.

36

36 scholars presented at
Discovery Day.



SCHOLARS
BY THE NUMBERS

While in Scotland, Nicole's host family helped her climb her very first mountain, albeit a mini one. The view from Ben A'an gave her a whole other reason to be short of breath!





8

8 seniors earned Graduation
with Leadership Distinction.

SCHOLARS
BY THE NUMBERS

MCNAIR SCHOLAR

NICOLE NEWSOM

ROBERT W. JOHNSON HIGH SCHOOL
BUFORD, GA.

INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS AND MARKETING

I have always been enamored with the capacity of the world to encompass and bring together so many vastly different groups of people, each with their own history, heritage, language and views of the world around them. I've wanted to see and explore them all, discovering for myself what makes them tick! Thanks to my time at USC, I have had so many opportunities to do exactly that. In the classroom, Skype sessions with students in Paris debunked cultural stereotypes, case studies of corporations abroad introduced the dilemma of different moral codes, and ethnographic field study taught me to turn the anthropological lens back on our own societies. My experience with Rotary International has brought me in touch with fellow students and professionals from all backgrounds, both right here in Columbia and around the world, all united in our love for service and community. In the space of four years, the girl who had never left the southeast has now traveled to D.C., studied abroad in Paris, Italy and Scotland and connected with people from over 20 different countries across every continent save Antarctica. I've been on some pretty extraordinary adventures, from becoming stranded on the Isle of Mull to dancing and playing the bagpipes at a Highland ceilidh, but if I've learned only one thing since I became a Gamecock, it's that it's not the place that makes the people, but the people that make the place.

Nicole plans to work as an account coordinator with a global marketing agency specializing in clients from the travel and tourism industry for a few years before pursuing an M.B.A. She hopes to become a professional member of Rotary International and eagerly anticipates her next adventure.



Gamble sits in front of the John Lennon Wall, an iconic symbol of peace and love in Prague, Czech Republic.

CAROLINA SCHOLAR

GAMBLE OUZTS

JAMES A. MORRIS SCHOLARSHIP

ASHLEY HALL

CHARLESTON, S.C.

INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS AND GSCOM

Like most in high school, I was often asked where I wanted to attend college. While my responses varied, there was one common theme: I wanted to attend a university outside of South Carolina. I strongly desired a unique four-year experience, and to me, unique meant far from home. I applied to various schools of various sizes in various locations, but as I truly considered my college options, the University of South Carolina was the surprising, yet clear, front-runner. Although geographically close, it exceeded all of my requirements and expectations. While offering the resources and opportunities of a large university, the South Carolina Honors College also provided a close-knit environment, strong professors and a more classical education style. Furthermore, I was able to study a subject that I felt truly passionate about: international business. Looking back, there is no part of my USC experience that fell short of extraordinary. Being named a Carolina Scholar pushed and empowered me to take advantage of every opportunity, including studies in Ecuador, Spain and the Czech Republic. These experiences, along with many others within my home state, transpired in four incredibly unique years.

Gamble will enjoy a long summer on the beach in Charleston and traveling in South America. Following this, she will move to Atlanta, Ga., to begin her career in consulting as an analyst for ScottMadden Management Consultants.

10

10 scholars won Magellan Scholar Awards for undergraduate research this academic year.

SCHOLARS
BY THE NUMBERS

CAROLINA SCHOLAR

LAHAREE PARIKH

JOHN RUTLEDGE SCHOLARSHIP
IRMO HIGH SCHOOL
COLUMBIA, S.C.
BIOLOGICAL SCIENCE



My love for my Indian heritage and passion for dance were two things I wanted to incorporate during my time at USC. By joining the Indian Cultural Exchange, I had the opportunity to do both. Every year ICE hosts an intercollegiate fusion dance competition called Aag Ki Raat. We invite competitive collegiate teams that perform Bollywood, hip-hop, contemporary and classical forms intertwined together. Last year I had the honor of being the Aag Ki Raat coordinator. My team and I shouldered the responsibilities of finding sponsors, arranging the Koger Center, selecting seven teams from 41 applicants, selecting qualified judges, finding lodging for all teams, publicity, audio-video orchestration, etc. AKR also allowed us, college students, to collaborate with the nearby Indian-American community to garner their support and participation. By the accounts of the competing teams, the audience and fellow students, it was an entertaining event, which raised \$3,000 for charity. That money directly helped to purchase maternity equipment and mosquito nets and build latrines and schools for villages in rural India. It has been, by far, the most rewarding experience I've had in my undergraduate career and the only time where I could take a photo with Cocky and be wearing a sari.

In addition to always being a Gamecock, Laharee will be moving to Philadelphia, Pa., for the next four years to be a Quaker. She will be attending the University of Pennsylvania School of Dental Medicine.

Laharee is pictured with Cocky moments before he wins the dance battle at Aag Ki Raat 2015.

MCNAIR SCHOLAR

MATTHEW PRICE

T.C. ROBERSON HIGH SCHOOL
FLETCHER, N.C.
POLITICAL SCIENCE

I remember the first time I stepped foot on USC's campus. I was nervous, a little awkward and unsure that this school was the right choice for me. Hailing from a state with great public universities, I initially struggled to justify becoming a Gamecock. But as it turns out, attending South Carolina has become one of the best decisions of my adult life. As a student, I have had the chance to advocate for legislation ending sexual assault on college campuses, travel to 10 different countries and discover my love for national security policy. All of this has occurred while building some of my strongest friendships and developing a network of incredible advisers and mentors. USC has fulfilled the role any college or university should strive to fulfill: it has served as an avenue for self-growth and discovery. As I approach the next chapter of my life, I find myself still nervous and still a little awkward. But I know that my experience at Carolina has given me the resources to be successful once I cross that stage in May. I am forever indebted to all those who have made the past four years my most transformative.

Matt currently works for Global Health Strategies, a health communications consulting firm, in New York City.

Matt poses on a trip to Budapest while studying abroad.





CAROLINA SCHOLAR

ANNA RIDENOUR

MR. AND MRS. JULIUS H. WALKER SCHOLARSHIP
SOUTH CAROLINA GOVERNOR'S SCHOOL FOR SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS
SUMMERVILLE, S.C.
ANTHROPOLOGY AND HISTORY

If you asked me four years ago, I would have no idea who I would become over the course of my time at the University of South Carolina. From becoming a radio DJ to playing in several bands, from attending the top university in Turkey to working on an organic farm in Slovenia, from backpacking Eastern Europe to directing a Rocky Horror Picture Show shadowcast, even my starry-eyed, pre-freshman-year self couldn't have imagined the adventures that this institution has afforded me. No matter where my life takes me after graduation, I know that my experiences as a USC student and working as a peer advisor in the USC Study Abroad Office have allowed me to develop a passion for international experiences and education that I hope to always share with others.

Anna will take time after graduation to teach English abroad and to travel before eventually pursuing a Ph.D. in film and media studies.

Anna in Durmitor National Park in Žabljak, Montenegro, during summer 2015. After studying abroad at Boğaziçi University in Istanbul, Turkey, in spring 2015, Anna backpacked from Prague, Czech Republic, to Athens, Greece, through Southeastern Europe over the course of three months.

3

3 scholars won the university's top two awards. McNair Scholar Riley Brady and Hamilton Scholar Weber Pike both won the Algernon Sydney Sullivan Award, and McNair Scholar Morgan Lundy won the Steven N. Swanger Leadership Award.

SCHOLARS
BY THE NUMBERS

CAROLINA SCHOLAR

LISA LYNN SCHEXNAYDER

FIRST CITIZENS BANK CORPORATION SCHOLARSHIP
MYRTLE BEACH HIGH SCHOOL
MYRTLE BEACH, S.C.
ECONOMICS AND FINANCE

"You get as much out of this university as you put into it." As incoming freshmen, we all heard Dr. Pastides share this advice, but, at the time, it was impossible to know how true these words were. Over the past four years, I have sought to involve myself in meaningful activities ... and it has certainly paid off! I discovered what it means to be selfless through spending hours tutoring and sharing my knowledge with other students. I have crossed more items off of my bucket list than I ever thought possible in four years, from the smaller things like developing a regular yoga practice to the once-in-a-lifetime moments, such as sharing lunch with Darla Moore. I rode through Paris atop a double-decker bus and later found my courage in Brussels when I spent an extra night after my flight home was canceled. I seriously improved my fashion and makeup skills after spending a summer living in New York City. My time at Carolina has greatly developed my sense of self, and I am eager to go into the world with the tools I have developed on this beautiful campus.

After graduation, Lisa Lynn will move back to New York City, compromising her soul as a leveraged finance analyst at Société Générale Investment Bank.

Lisa Lynn enjoys a moment of sun along the Scheldt River in Antwerp, Belgium.





Jacob stands on a cliff overlooking the Pacific Ocean on Easter Island, Chile.

MCNAIR SCHOLAR

JACOB SIMS

DUPONT MANUAL HIGH SCHOOL

LOUISVILLE, KY.

INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS, ECONOMICS AND GSCOM

“Can anyone here drive a stick shift?” That’s what our Airbnb host said. Well, that’s not entirely true. What he said was “¿Hay alguien acá que pueda conducir un auto manual?” We had just arrived on Easter Island, one of the most isolated inhabited landmasses in the world, and all eyes were trained on me. Learning to drive a stick shift is a sufficient challenge by itself; add to that an instructor who only speaks Spanish, unpaved dirt roads and wild cows and chickens freely roaming the streets, and you have yourself one heck of an educational experience. It’s funny how you come to college excited to start taking classes from your major and learning how to start your career, but then the most valuable educational experiences you have are the ones that take place outside of the classroom. The past four years have been a tremendous time of personal and professional growth. I feel I have been equally shaped as a student and as a person by my experiences both inside and outside the classroom. It is so important to not get stuck in the books: college isn’t just the best time to learn, it’s the best time to live.

Jake has accepted a position with Belden in Richmond, Ind. Belden is a manufacturer of networking, connectivity and cable products. His title will be supply chain analyst. He will be part of their Supply Chain and Logistics Rotational Leadership Development Program, through which he will occupy a number of roles over the next couple years.



MCNAIR SCHOLAR

RACHEL SMOAK

WILLIAM G. ENLOE MAGNET HIGH SCHOOL
CARY, N.C.

CHEMICAL ENGINEERING AND CHEMISTRY

I entered USC my freshman year knowing what I wanted to do with my life: become a professor in a field related to alternative energy. Now, as I approach graduation and the actual decision of what I want to do with my life, I am undecided. But what college, and especially my time and involvement with InterVarsity Christian Fellowship, has taught me is that what I want to do matters less to me than who I want to be. A career will change, a job isn't forever, and I hope to retire someday and not be defined by a profession. My character, the person I am and will be and want to be, is what will define me forever. USC has given me the freedom to explore and decide who I want to be and begin to pursue it. I have learned that I want to be a person who travels, who takes risks for the sake of freedom and adventure, who puts others ahead of myself, who fights injustice, who can be comfortable alone with myself and who passionately embraces life each and every day. USC has taught me that I have #NoLimits in becoming who I desire to be.

Rachel will graduate in December 2016, take some time off and then go to graduate school. Or go on an adventure. She'll decide later.

Rachel took a break from her explorations in Venice to pose with a giant anchor. She was too busy experiencing everything to take any other pictures.

AUSTIN WILLIAMS

CAROLINA SCHOLAR GENERAL ENDOWMENT FUND SCHOLARSHIP
DUTCH FORK HIGH SCHOOL
IRMO, S.C.
BIOLOGY

I began college with a technical plan to make myself successful in the way you see on television, but I was still searching for my true identity one semester in. It was less than a year before the Honors College connected me with a professor who inspired me to flourish as the person I already was. I'd never met a professional as exuberant as our naturalist in residence, Rudy Mancke. The love he has for his "job" transforms the workplace into his playground. I was hooked on natural history and retaining my youthful love for the outdoors. Before I knew it, I was taking geology, meteorology, oceanography and botany classes for fun. I spent the summer following sophomore year in the Rocky Mountains photographing exotic hummingbirds, scavenging for moose skulls, tracking elk, collecting high-altitude plants, summiting 13,000-foot peaks and fishing pristine lakes seen by only the most determined mountaineers. Junior year I formed a lasting relationship with S.C.'s greatest botanist of our era, Dr. John Nelson — another USC faculty member. He served as the adviser for my senior thesis, "The Vascular Flora of Gills Creek Watershed." Wherever I go, I carry my prized Honors College experiences and South Carolina pride.

This summer Austin and his fiancée will move to western N.C. They'll be living out a Walden-like dream from a small cabin within the Nantahala National Forest. In the coming years he plans to attend Western Carolina University and study conservation biology and atmospheric and oceanic sciences.

97%

97 percent of upperclassman scholars participated in at least one high-impact activity this year. High-impact activities include leadership positions, work, study abroad, research and undergraduate research.

SCHOLARS
BY THE NUMBERS

Austin reps a little bit of South Carolina while spending a summer in the Rockies.





CLASS ROSTER

While USC's freshman classes are thousands of students strong each year, our classes of scholars remain small, tightly knit groups. Backgrounds, majors and interests vary widely, but many of our scholars remain close through their college years and beyond. The following pages give you a brief look into who is in each class, where they are from and what they study.

HAMILTON SCHOLARS

CLASS OF 2016

WILLIAM AUSTIN AMBROSE

Aynor High School
Aynor, S.C.
Public Health

CREIGHTON RADCLIFFE BOGGS

Dreher High School
Columbia, S.C.
Political Science

CHRISTINA-LIN MARIE BROWN

Academic Magnet High
School
Goose Creek, S.C.
Biology

LAURA ELIZABETH DEAN

Richland Northeast High
School
Columbia, S.C.
Early Childhood
Education

COURTNEY JOSETTA GANTT

Silver Bluff High School
Beech Island, S.C.
Media Arts

ANA MARIA GIBSON

Riverside High School
Greer, S.C.
International Business and
Marketing

JAMES FREDERICK WEBER PIKE

Beaufort High School
Beaufort, S.C.
Biomedical Engineering

CAMERON ELIZABETH REID

Waccamaw High School
Murrells Inlet, S.C.
Mathematics

DANIEL WALLACE YOUNG

Trinity Collegiate School
Florence, S.C.
Biology

CLASS OF 2017

EDWARD C. DUNTON

Fort Mill High School
Fort Mill, S.C.
Physics

DAVID WANG

International School of
Basel
Florence, S.C.
Biochemistry and
Molecular Biology

CLASS OF 2019

ZANE M. BRIDWELL

James F. Byrnes High
School
Woodruff, S.C.
Music

HORSESHOE SCHOLARS

CLASS OF 2016

LEANNA P. O'BRIEN

Ward Melville High School
East Setauket, N.Y.
English and Mathematics

MICHELLE MARIE WILSON

Crystal Lake Central High
School
Crystal Lake, Ill.
Chemical Engineering

CLASS OF 2017

CHRISTOPHER J. BUCKMAN

Farragut High School
Knoxville, Tenn.
Mathematics

PERRY J. DAVIS

Newton Conover High
School
Conover, N.C.
Finance and GSCOM

CLASS OF 2019

ELIZABETH M. GRACE

Cincinnati Country Day
School
Milford, Ohio
Chemical Engineering

MONIQUE E. HAYES

Brentwood High School
Brentwood, Tenn.
International Business

CLASS OF 2017



Carolina Scholars

back row, left to right: Brandon Byrd, Justin Garrison and Adam Glenn
front row, left to right: Sam Collinworth, Pooja Malhotra, Keiko Bridwel, and Jamie Durden



McNair Scholars

back row, left to right: Amy Sessoms, Kelly Kopchak, Abraham Sharaf, Brett Williams and Caroline Blount
front row, left to right: Cynthia Beavin, Kristen Young, Annie Wacker, Samm Stewart and Angie Korabik

CAROLINA SCHOLARS CLASS OF 2017

MICHAEL CALEB BAGLEY

William B. Douglas
Scholarship
Chapin High School
Chapin, S.C.
Chemistry

KEIKO S. BRIDWELL

Norma C. and John
M. Palms Carolina
Scholarship
James F. Byrnes High
School
Woodruff, S.C.
Linguistics

CARSTEN A. BRYANT

Grace King Merchant
Scholarship
Lexington High School
Lexington, S.C.
Philosophy and Religious
Studies

BRANDON T. BYRD

Thomas B. Pearce
Scholarship
Wade Hampton High
School
Greenville, S.C.
Media Arts and African
American Studies

DANIEL C. CLEMENTS

Penelope W. and E. Roe
Stamps IV Carolina
Scholar
Spring Valley High
School
Columbia, S.C.
Computer Engineering

SAMUEL H. COLLINSWORTH

University Associates
Scholarship
Irmo High School
Columbia, S.C.
Biomedical Engineering

JAMES A. DURDEN

Chris Vlahoplus
Scholarship
Spring Valley High
School
Columbia, S.C.
Chemistry

ELLEN E. GARDINER

Penelope W. and E. Roe
Stamps IV Carolina
Scholar
Dutch Fork High School
Irmo, S.C.
Exercise Science

JUSTIN W. GARRISON

Isabelle Caldwell Penland
Scholarship
Lexington High School
Lexington, S.C.
Economics

MADELEINE A. GIESS

Ralph David Neuman
Scholarship
Dreher High School
Columbia, S.C.
Exercise Science

ADAM J. GLENN

Patrick L. Tomlin
Scholarship
Carolina Forest High
School
Conway, S.C.
Chemical Engineering

TIEN THUY HO

J. Willis Canteay
Scholarship
Blythewood High School
Blythewood, S.C.
Mathematics and
Computer Science

THOMAS CONNOR HOFFMAN

Blair Standridge
Memorial Scholarship
Heathwood Hall
Episcopal School
Columbia, S.C.
Biology

JORDAN BLAKELEY HOFFMAN

Joseph Land Scholarship
Dutch Fork High School
Irmo, S.C.
Computer Science
and Mathematics

SUPRIYA S. JUNEJA

Class of 1964 Reunion
Fund Scholarship
Dutch Fork High School
Irmo, S.C.
Biology and Psychology

JUDITH X. LIN

Penelope W. and E. Roe
Stamps IV Carolina
Scholar
Riverside High School
Greer, S.C.
International Business

POOJA MALHOTRA

Class of 1965 Reunion
Fund Scholarship
Irmo High School
Columbia, S.C.
Biology

COLMAN A. MOORE

Class of 1967 Scholarship
South Carolina
Governor's School
for Science and
Mathematics
Greenwood, S.C.
Biomedical Engineering

AUSTIN R. PAHL

John Thomas Langston
III Scholarship
Pinewood Preparatory
School
Summerville, S.C.
Computer Science

SYDNEY D. POSKEVICH

Penelope W. and E. Roe
Stamps IV Carolina
Scholar
Paul M. Dorman High
School
Moore, S.C.
Chemical Engineering

SARAH A. ROOF

Duke Energy Scholarship
Chapin High School
Chapin, S.C.
Exercise Science

RANA T. SOBEIH

Clos Fisher Carolina
Scholar Annual
Scholarship Fund
Spring Valley High
School
Columbia, S.C.
English

JULIA A. STROUT

SC State Fair Scholarship
Palmetto Christian
Academy
Mount Pleasant, S.C.
Computer Science

BENJAMIN L. YOUNGBLOOD

Eleanor V. and Nicholas
K. Moore Scholarship
McBee High School
Hartsville, S.C.
International Business
and Accounting

MCNAIR SCHOLARS CLASS OF 2017

KEVIN J. ANNEKEN

Roger Bacon High School
Cincinnati, Ohio
International Business

CYNTHIA L. BEAVIN

Academy of Our Lady
of Mercy
Louisville, Ky.
*Baccalareus Artium
et Scientiae* in
Global, Sexual and
Reproductive Health
and Rights

VICTORIA R. BELCHER

Weddington High School
Matthews, N.C.
Economics and
Anthropology

CAROLINE S. BLOUNT

Meta Valley High School
Naperville, Ill.
German

ANDREW J. FREIX

Thomas Jefferson High
School for Science and
Technology
Centreville, Va.
Computer Science

ASHLEY T. GRIFFITH

Maryville High School
Maryville, Tenn.
Finance and Economics

JONATHAN M. KEEFE

Ravenwood High School
Brentwood, Tenn.
Experimental Psychology

KELLY J. KOPCHAK

Ursuline Academy
Cincinnati, Ohio
Chemical Engineering

ANGELA R. KORABIK

Saint Ignatius College Prep
Brookfield, Ill.
Biology

NICHOLAS D. LOLLI

Phoenixville Area High
School
Phoenixville, Pa.
International Business
and GSCOM

RACHEL M. LUNSFORD

RJ Reynolds High School
Kernersville, N.C.
International Business

NATALIE M. PITA

Maggie L. Walker
Governor's School
for Government and
International Studies
Moseley, Va.
International Business,
Spanish and Economics

AMIE L. SESSOMS

East Rutherford High School
Forest City, N.C.
English

ABRAHIM Y. SHARAF

Robert L. Paschal High School
Fort Worth, Texas
Biology

SAMANTHA E. STEWART

Maryvale Preparatory School
Manchester, Md.
Biomedical Engineering

SEAN C. THOMAS

Bishop McGuinness
Catholic High School
Winston Salem, N.C.
Biomedical Engineering

ELIZABETH C. UTSET

Stanton College Prep School
Atlantic Beach, Fla.
International Studies and
Chinese Studies

ANNE E. WACKER

Lake Travis High School
Lakeway, Texas
Biology

AUSTIN J. WARD

Pinecrest Academy
Johns Creek, Ga.
International Business,
Finance and GSCOM

BRETT L. WILLIAMS

St. Stephen's and St.
Agnes School
Annandale, Va.
Broadcast Journalism

KRISTEN E. YOUNG

Chelmsford High School
Chelmsford, Mass.
Biochemistry and
Molecular Biology and
International Studies

CLASS OF 2018



Carolina Scholars

back row, left to right: Rylan Burdette, Austin Lewis, Mara Cowen, Joe Marazzo and Alex Galan
front row, left to right: Grace Porter, Hima Vinnakota, E.A. Matthews, Tulsi Patel and Sarah Greene



McNair Scholars

back row, left to right: Stephen Corbitt, Jeffrey Willicut, Chandler Casner, Kevin Field, Nick Greene and Austin Hetherington
front row, left to right: Lynn Schutte, Kimberly Sears, Erica Maissy, Hannah Marks, Julia Minton, Sky Jaques, Olivia Harris, Kayla Gardner and Lacey Wilson

CAROLINA SCHOLARS CLASS OF 2018

CLAYTON A. BUCKALOO

Penelope W. and E. Roe
Stamps IV Carolina
Scholar
Ashley Hall
Isle of Palms, S.C.
International Business,
Finance and GSCOM

RYLAN D. BURDETTE

Charles Cotesworth
Pinckney Scholarship
Laurens School District
55 High School
Waterloo, S.C.
Mechanical Engineering

MARA H. COWEN

Carolina Alumni
Association Scholarship
A.C. Flora High School
Columbia, S.C.
*Baccalaureus Artium
et Scientiae* in
Developmental
Neuroscience

EMMA C. DROBINA

Thomas B. Pearce
Scholarship
Academic Magnet High
School
Charleston, S.C.
Computer Science

HABIBA FAYYAZ

Penelope W. and E. Roe
Stamps IV Carolina
Scholar
Spring Valley High
School
Columbia, S.C.
Biochemistry and
Molecular Biology

ALEXANDER J. GALAN

Thomas B. Pearce
Scholarship
Irmo High School
Columbia, S.C.
Biomedical Engineering

JINYU GAO

R.C. McEntire and
Company Inc.
Scholarship
Dreher High School
Columbia, S.C.
Computer Engineering

SARAH J. GREENE

Penelope W. and E. Roe
Stamps IV Carolina
Scholar
Boiling Springs High
School
Boiling Springs, S.C.
Exercise Science

AUSTIN D. LEWIS

Bernice and Mason
Hubbard Scholarship
Hammond School
Columbia, S.C.
Biology

JOSEPH P. MARAZZO

Bank of America
Scholarship
South Carolina
Governor's School
for Science and
Mathematics
Columbia, S.C.
Library and Information
Science

ELIZABETH ANNE MATTHEWS

Penelope W. and E. Roe
Stamps IV Carolina
Scholar
Richland Northeast High
School
Columbia, S.C.
English

TULSI PATEL

Bank of America
Scholarship
Dutch Fork High School
Irmo, S.C.
Economics

GRACE K. PORTER

Kit and James T. Pearce
Sr. Scholarship
Home-Schooled
Columbia, S.C.
Civil Engineering

PHILIP M. RICHARDSON

Penelope W. and E. Roe
Stamps IV Carolina
Scholar
Spring Valley High
School
Columbia, S.C.
International Business
and Finance

MICHAEL TUTEN

Bank of America
Scholarship
South Carolina
Governor's School
for Science and
Mathematics
Lexington, S.C.
Mechanical Engineering

HIMABINDU VINNAKOTA

William H. and Ruth C.
Bond Scholarship
Spring Valley High
School
Columbia, S.C.
Biochemistry and
Molecular Biology

LOUISE G. WHITE

Bank of America
Scholarship
Wilson Senior High
School
Darlington, S.C.
International Studies and
Economics

JOANNE WU

Charles and Anita Hood
Scholarship
Dreher High School
Columbia, S.C.
Mechanical Engineering

MCNAIR SCHOLARS CLASS OF 2018

LONDON S. BENNETT

Clear Falls High School
Seabrook, Texas
Political Science

CHANDLER R. CASNER

Chase High School
Forest City, N.C.
Physical Education

CAROLINE T. CATES

Kingwood High School
Kingwood, Texas
Experimental Psychology

STEPHEN W. CORBITT

Paul G. Blazer Senior
High School
Ashland, Ky.
Economics

KEVIN C. FIELD

Regis High School
West Orange, N.J.
Biology

KAYLA G. GARDNER

Wilson Central High
School
Mount Juliet, Tenn.
Marine Science

NICHOLAS R. GREENE

Salisbury High School
Salisbury, N.C.
Electrical Engineering

OLIVIA K. HARRIS

Great Bridge High School
Chesapeake, Va.
Biology

AUSTIN T. HETHERINGTON

Ravenwood High School
Brentwood, Tenn.
Biomedical Engineering

SKYLER M. JAQUES

Central Magnet School
Murfreesboro, Tenn.
Chemical Engineering

ERICA S. MAISSY

Trabuco Hills High School
Rancho Santa
Margarita, Calif.
Biomedical Engineering

HANNAH R. MARKS

Assumption High School
Louisville, Ky.
Experimental Psychology

CAROLINE G. MCLEOD

Gray Stone Day School
Albemarle, N.C.
Biomedical Engineering

JULIA C. MINTON

South Johnston High
School
Clayton, N.C.
Biology

LYNN SCHUTTE

McAuley High School
Hamilton, Ohio
Public Relations

KIMBERLY P. SEARS

California Area Senior
High School
California, Pa.
International Business
and Marketing

ERIN R. WELTY

West Forsyth High
School
Advance, N.C.
English and Classics

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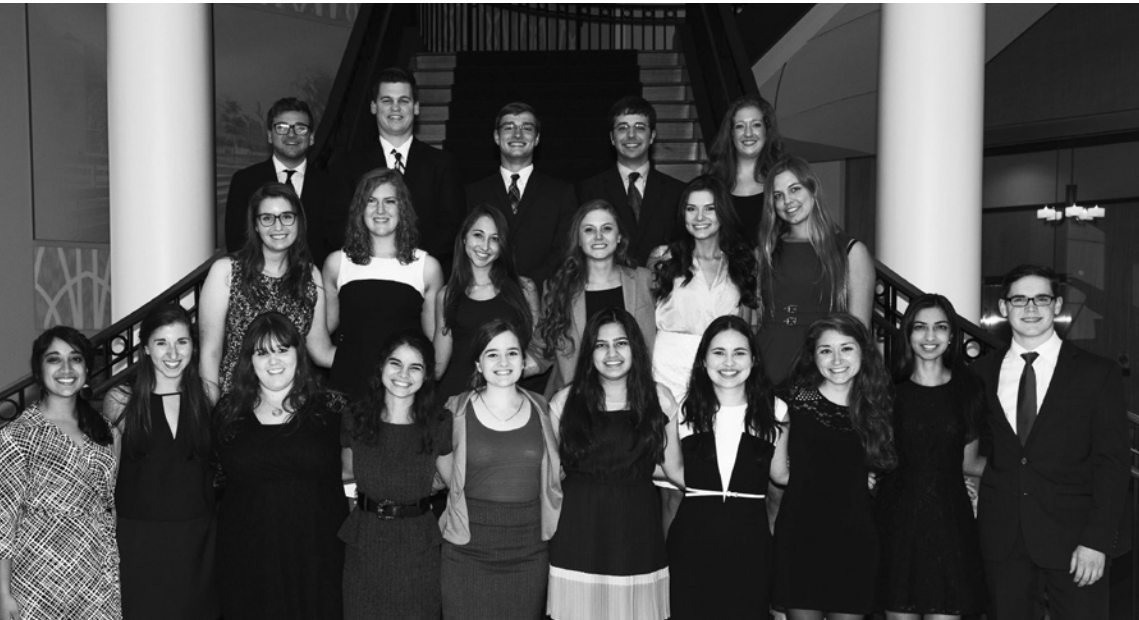
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1 At Awards Day, three scholars won the university's top awards: Hamilton Scholar Weber Pike (left) and McNair Scholar Riley Brady (right) won the

Algernon Sydney Sullivan Award, while McNair Scholar Morgan Lundy (middle) won the Steven N. Swanger Leadership Award.

2 Scholars Joelle Strom, Noemi Glaeser and Angela Rogers pose with a friend holding brains at the final Last Lecture of the year, with Dr. Sandra Kelly.

3 Laharee Parikh, Sara Wallam and Sona Chowdhary pose at the Carolina Scholar Spring Donor Dinner.

4 Senior Carolina Scholars Camille Harris, Charlotte Eckmann and Elizabeth Crummy celebrate their last Spring Dinner.

5 Kayla Porter, Carolina Scholar 2009, graduated from the USC School of Law this spring.



6 *First Year Scholars are all smiles at a cooking class with USC's first lady in the fall.*

7 *Olivia Reszczyński and Gabriel D'Agostino attend their first Carolina Scholar Spring Donor Dinner.*

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