



Scholarships Make Dreams Come True

"I love the community. Marshall is small enough that you get to know a lot of people on campus, but big enough that you aren't seeing the same faces day after day," said Courtney Andrews, a senior broadcast journalism major with a minor in marketing. "It allows you to be your own person, but be able to still develop and thrive in a community."

Choosing to attend Marshall to pursue her dream of playing Division I Soccer, the Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, native receives a partial athletic scholarship and a Panhellenic Council (PHC) scholarship.

"They (scholarships) mean everything to me. My scholarships give me the chance to live out my dreams of playing Division I Soccer and pursue my dream of being a sideline reporter. Without them, my opportunities would not be as vast," Courtney explained.

In addition to playing on Marshall University's Women's Soccer team, Courtney is member of Sigma Sigma Sigma sorority; WMUL, Marshall University's official radio station; The Parthenon, Marshall University's student newspaper; and MU Report, a student-produced newscast.

"I love being involved on campus and in my community," said Courtney.

Upon graduation, Courtney hopes to find a job in a desirable market doing sports news. She most looks forward to learning how to shoot, edit and construct news packages and believes the hands-on learning approach is the best part of Marshall's broadcast journalism program.

"I feel like the best way to learn is by actually using the skills that you are being taught. I have learned so much just from going out and having to actually do what I will do in my job," she explained. "During my time at MU Report, I learned so many critical skills that will help me immensely in the workforce."

Courtney's favorite season is fall because of soccer and football season, but the Cam Henderson Center is her favorite place on the Huntington campus because she conducted sideline videography for Marshall's men's basketball team during her junior year. While she says she cannot choose a favorite professor, she believes Marshall's entire faculty has been supportive. Her hope is that Marshall becomes more diverse and inclusive and she believes alumni should give back to help a more assorted group of people obtain an opportunity to grow and secure an education.

"Not everyone is from a background where getting a higher education is a possibility and everyone deserves an equal opportunity," Courtney said. "I would like to thank donors for giving me the opportunity to educate myself and develop who I am as an individual. I have the opportunity to live my dreams and grow who I am as a person, not just an athlete. I have the opportunity to pursue my dreams and evolve into the professional I hope to be."

Fun Facts

Class of 2019

Hometown: Harrisburg, PA

Major: Broadcast Journalism with a minor in marketing

Favorite color: Yellow because it makes me feel happy and bright

Textbooks or eBooks: Textbooks. I like to have a physical copy of what I'm studying in front of me. I feel like it helps me remember the material better and it's easier to find exactly what I'm looking for.

Favorite place off campus: Ritter Park. I love taking my puppy there and letting him run around. It also is a great outdoor area where you can go on walks and just take in some nature.

Favorite thing about Huntington: The food options. I am definitely a foodie and Huntington has so many different options to choose from. Some of my favorites are The Peddler, Taste of Asia, The Market and Backyard.