

"I would like to thank the provider of my scholarships for making it possible for me to better myself and my community by attending a school as amazing as Marshall. If it were not for the funding of scholarships, I could not say for certain that I would be here," said Cody Stiltner, a Wayne County, West Virginia, native.

Studying in Marshall University's School of Nursing, Cody anticipates graduating in 2021. He enjoys training in a program that is preparing him for real-life experiences as a nurse. He looks forward to the hands-on experience of clinical rotations, while applying classroom concepts, and is gaining additional knowledge as a member of Marshall's nursing club.

"I think Marshall's campus is special because of the traditions and size of it. Being a somewhat small campus, you do not have to worry about getting lost," he said.

He credits Dr. Keelon Hinton of the psychology department as one of his favorite professors because his lectures are structured around life values and skills rather than reading materials or a PowerPoint presentation.

Cody is involved in Student Support Services (SSS) at Marshall, which as a federally funded TRiO grant program. Student Support Services was established to assist students in overcoming class, social, academic and cultural barriers to education.

"I love the program and staff of SSS here at Marshall. The SSS program gives me a place, as a commuter, to come and be productive through the day, in between classes, or to relax and de-stress as much as possible before my next class," explained Cody. "This is also my favorite place on campus because we have a little bit of everything for everyone--games, television, computers and most importantly, good company."

He hopes that Marshall continues to grow in size while maintaining affordable tuition costs and creates better parking spaces with higher security. Cody appreciates the opportunities that grateful, financially positioned alumni are capable of funding.

"I'm sure many alumni are still paying off loans or have families that they must put first, and while I recognize Marshall is a family, giving back is not always a luxury everyone can afford. It is my belief that anyone who wants to see the world with a brighter, more educated society should donate what they can."



## Fun Facts

**Name:** Cody Stiltner

**Class of 2021**

**Hometown:** Wayne, West Virginia

**Major:** Nursing

**Favorite color:** Purple

**Textbooks or eBooks:** I prefer textbooks over e-books because I like to have the information in front of me and in my hands, feeling the pages as I turn them.

**Favorite thing about Huntington:** It is the city I grew up in and it will always be my home.

**Favorite spot off campus:** My house because I can decompress and relax there.