

“Scholarships mean that you have the chance to pursue your education without financial burden and that takes immense pressure off students. Personally, I see scholarships as an opportunity to further yourself in your overall life,” said Lucy Bell of Eleanor, West Virginia. “I had worked so hard to earn my scholarships and it had been a long process, much of which I was not sure was going to end in victory. I was very emotional and grateful.”

The recipient of the PROMISE and Marshall Presidential Scholarships, Lucy is studying communications, specifically public relations. Choosing her major because it allows her to work with others and foster creativity, she is expected to graduate in the class of 2024 and intends to move to a larger city to pursue her career.

“My favorite opportunity at Marshall has been to explore any and all interests I may have, both academic and extracurricular,” said Lucy, who loves the ease of taking pride in Marshall.

Enrolling at Marshall because of the affordability it offers, Lucy also likes the community feeling and closeness that makes people feel at home. She “adores” Drinko Library because of the calm environment.

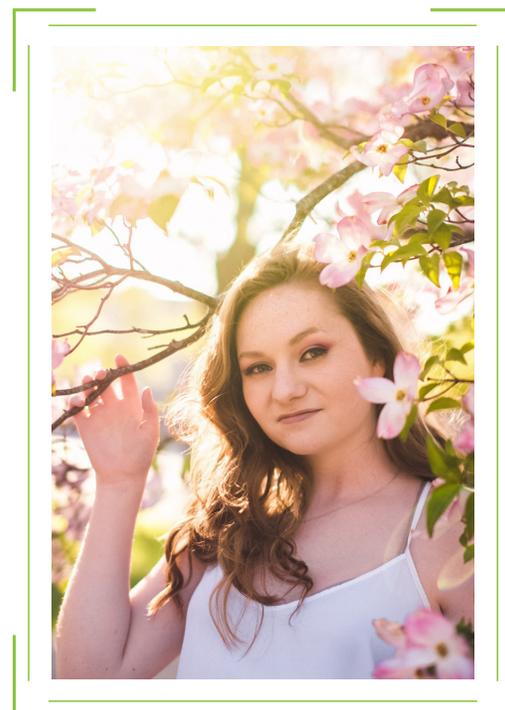
“I think my greatest challenge as a college student has been coming to terms that I may not have a traditional college experience and may potentially miss out on many opportunities that so many college students get to have. The largest adjustment during this pandemic has been doing everything online and keeping up with all the work,” explained Lucy.

Because of COVID, Lucy is not involved in any extracurricular activities at this time, but hopes to change that and get involved. She hopes to graduate with great confidence for the direction of her life. On her educational journey, Lucy is most thankful for scholarships.

“Without scholarships I probably wouldn’t be attending Marshall, or any other college for that matter,” she said.

As one who leads her life with compassion, she considers the perspective of others before she forms her words and actions. She values compassion in friendships. Lucy is grateful for compassionate alumni who continue to provide for future generations of Marshall students.

“Giving back is an amazing way of ensuring the younger generations chances of success.”



## Fun Facts

**Name:** Lucy Bell

**Class of 2024**

**Hometown:** Eleanor, West Virginia

**Major:** Communications/ Public Relations

**Favorite color:** Dark Green

**Textbooks or eBooks:** I have quite enjoyed my e-books this year, but I think it depends on the class.

**Favorite place in Huntington:** I love Ritter Park in the evening.