

"I see scholarships as an investment into a person's future as opposed to just a gift. I was extremely blessed and thankful to learn of the scholarships I received," said Seth Jude, a recipient of the Meade E. and Althea Nance Smith, Promise and John Marshall Scholarships.

Majoring in exercise science, Seth anticipates graduating in 2023 and obtaining a post-graduate degree in physical therapy or medical school. His dream job is to work on the medical staff for a professional sports team.

The Varney, West Virginia, native left Mingo County to attend Marshall because it was far enough away to feel independent, but close enough to visit home. Seth loves the close-knit community and small school feel with "amenities and opportunities of a large school." He has enjoyed getting involved in organizations to make a difference on campus.

Seth is a member of Alpha Sigma Phi, a fraternity, where he serves as the chapter vice president. His favorite place on campus is the Science Building or the Memorial Student Center Plaza. As a college student during a pandemic, Seth believes the transition to virtual learning was the most challenging obstacle he has faced at Marshall. He is looking forward to being in the classroom and on campus this academic year.

Grateful for the sense of community in Huntington, Seth says the "dedicated faculty and staff" are what he is most thankful for on his educational journey.

"They do everything in their ability to assist myself and the rest of the student body succeed," Seth said. "I hope during my time at Marshall I grow as an individual, make memories that will last a lifetime, prepare myself for a career and figure out who I truly am."

He appreciates the alumni who have recognized how Marshall helped shape their personal and professional lives and contribute to help future generations succeed.

"Alumni giving back is a way to support the next generation of students and assist their alma mater to grow and evolve in our changing world."



Fun Facts

Name: Seth Jude

Class of 2023

Hometown: Varney, West Virginia

Major: Exercise Science

Favorite color: Red, but Kelly Green is a close second.

Textbooks or eBooks: eBooks are very convenient, but I prefer physical textbooks.

Favorite place in Huntington: Definitely campus.