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What is your favorite part about being an ISU student?

My favorite thing about being an ISU student is how supportive and helpful students are to one another, faculty members are to students, and the Ames community is to the university. This was truly depicted during a fundraiser I began to raise funds for the Boston Marathon explosion victims. In a matter of four days, I was able to gather support from students and organize a fundraiser during VEISHEA. I was amazed and awed at all the support I received and the power one idea can have. Together we raised nearly $600! This truly made me proud to be an Iowa State student.

What has been your favorite Psych class?

My favorite psychology class was Behavioral Neurology with Dr. West. I loved the class because I learned about many different neurological diseases that affect individuals everyday and the brain structures that are affected. In the future I want to go into medicine and have always been interested in the brain. Behavioral Neurology allowed me to increase my knowledge of the brain as well as different neurodegenerative diseases.

Advice to younger students:

You never know until you try. Never let a name, price, or other people stop you from fulfilling your dream. Reach for the stars and never let anything get in your way. Most importantly, you must first have the ambition, drive, and determination. I am where I am today because I am always asking questions, being persistent, and am not afraid to ask for help. Never be discouraged when things do not go as planned and always remain motivated. You have all the resources you need around you, you just need to take the initiative to find it.