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PSYCH UNDERGRADS WHO HAVE CHOSEN UNIQUE ADVENTURES

Emily is a senior Psychology major. She intends to use her degree by working with children with autism before returning to graduate school. Contact her at ecmcginn@iastate.edu if you are interested in learning more about her experiences.

What have been your favorite Psych classes?

My top three favorite classes have been Personality Psychology with Dr. Krizan, Drugs and Behavior with Dr. Acerbo, and Abnormal Psychology of Children and Adolescents with Dr. Konar. These classes not only are incredibly interesting, but the professors are very knowledgeable and dedicated to their field of work. They are more than willing to meet with you and their passion helps to make their students passionate about learning!

What is your most memorable college experience?

I loved my study abroad experience in Cáceres, Spain. This full immersion experience was essential in improving my Spanish speaking skills. Not only did I learn about Spanish culture through my classes and travel, I learned from the friends I met in my city, church, and through my conversation partner. I cannot wait to return one day!

How are you involved on campus?

I am involved in the campus ministry, The Salt Company. This is where I have learned more about God, grown immensely in my faith, and met my absolute best friends. It is a great community and I am so blessed to be a part of it! Also, my sophomore and part of my junior year I was involved in the African Student Association. I met great friends and learned about different African cultures; it was a great experience!

Advice to younger students:

My advice to first year Psychology students would be to get involved. Finding a community of people to do life with is key! Try new things, check out clubs and organizations on campus. Make that leap despite not knowing anybody. Once you do that, it gets so much easier. In order to find what you’re passionate about, start by simply walking forward into new things. College gets more exciting with each year!

Know another awesome Psych student who should be highlighted? Contact Psych Advising: psychadv@iastate.edu