

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT:

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What major(s) and/or minor(s) are you pursuing? Which INIA concentration did you choose and why?

Political Science, International Affairs, and Peace Studies

What classes have you enjoyed the most thus far and why?

The course I have enjoyed the most thus far is International Law, in which I learned about international laws and systems, how they are broken, and what is happening. He even was able to talk about current events.

What experiences have you pursued outside of the classroom?

The experiences I have pursued outside of the classroom are studying abroad in India and El Salvador and volunteering at the Boys & Girls Club of Greater Milwaukee.

Last semester you presented research at the Annual Colleges of Arts and Sciences Research Symposium titled "The Missing Pieces Assessing the African Perspective, An analysis of Zambia and Senegal's Response to China's Soft Power Initiatives." Can you tell us more about the justification for this research and the conclusions you came to in your paper and presentation?

My summer research project was about the Chinese Soft Power initiatives in Africa. Through this research, I saw that many people disagree with what is going on in Africa regarding the amount of debt and the way resources are not shared with the African people. The initiatives are not asked for and don't serve a heavy purpose, and the people of these countries cannot enjoy the initiatives knowing they can't afford them and their kids can't be employed there.

What is your favorite place to study on campus? Favorite place to eat?

My favorite place to study on campus would be Coughlin Hall on the 3rd floor, which is home to EOP in the McNair office. My favorite place to eat would be Jimmy Johns and the AMU- Marquette Place.

What advice do you have for underclassmen?

As you go through your undergraduate career, apply for everything, including yourself, involve yourself in every situation, and celebrate your small wins just as you would your vast accomplishments.

