



Cornell University

Thank You



Academic Year 2017 – 2018

Dear the Sarasota-Manatee Cornell Club,

As this year comes to an end and I begin to spend all of my time in the library studying for finals I can't help but to look back at all the wonderful people who have helped me get to where I am today. I'm from the Venice area so venturing so far to Cornell to go to college was a big leap. I am now a sophomore and it's becoming increasingly prevalent that I am halfway through my college experience and I could not imagine being anywhere else.

Throughout my time at Cornell I have been fortunate enough to find what I am truly passionate about. I entered excited to be a Hotelier but not really knowing what I wanted to do within the hospitality field. From event management to finance, my interests were anything but focused. Now, I can proudly say that I've discovered my niche within the hotel school. Last year I began to take computer science classes that were very interesting, then this year I began to take Information Science classes that related the concepts I was learning from CS to the business concepts I am surrounded by in the Hotel School. So, now I have decided to pursue a minor in Information Science. This new minor allows me to combine my interests for business, hospitality, finance and computers.

This summer I will be back in the Venice area working and broadening my knowledge of information science by continuing my data analytics research. I also plan on working in my community and enjoying the warm sunshine after a long Ithaca winter.

I am so thankful to be given the opportunity to be able to explore so many different topics at school and find the one that fits me perfectly. Without the help of this scholarship I wouldn't have been able to do that. So, thank you again for helping me attend Cornell and gain the knowledge I wouldn't be able to get anywhere else.

Sincerely,

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