

Emily Schmulske

Receives the Dean's College of Health and Sciences Academic Excellence Scholarship



Emily Schmulske has received the National American University (NAU) Foundation's *Dean's College of Health and Sciences Academic Excellence Scholarship*. Emily is pursuing her Associate of Applied Science (AAS) in Occupational Therapy Assisting at NAU in Centennial, Colorado.

The *Dean's College of Health and Sciences Academic Excellence Scholarship* is made possible by Dr. Marilyn Holmgren, Dean of NAU's College of Health and Sciences. Dr. Holmgren created this special designation in memory of her mother, citing her mother's love of learning and appreciation for higher education.

Emily was one of several students to receive an Academic Excellence Scholarship but the only one to receive the *Dean's* designation.

"Emily is hardworking, demonstrates initiative on social issues, and shows inspirational leadership skills," said Dr. Patricia Cornille, who teaches for NAU and had Emily for a student. "She has demonstrated this in expressing her desire to improve the lives of older adults. This type of commitment to finding solutions for occupational justice issues is unique and inspirational."

"Upon graduation, I look forward to working with the geriatric population and being able to make a difference in people's lives everyday through hard work, advocacy, and providing clients meaningful occupations every day," said Emily. "I'm very honored to be recognized with the Dean's designation and grateful for this scholarship."



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