



*2019 Colloquium Retreat to the Ozark Underground Laboratory*

You could  
take  
classes like  
these, too!

### Extinction is Forever

What are factors that lead to extinction? How can we prevent it? Students delved into these topics in class, then spent a weekend applying these concepts in the Ozarks, searching for scorpions and endangered animals in cave systems.

### Healthy Relationships

Navigating relationships is hard. Each person is unique and respond to situations in different ways. Developing personal strengths and the ability to recognize them in others is important for successful careers and relationships.

### Space Cowboys

What do American Westerns and Sci-Fi have in common? What are the elements that make them so enjoyable? The evolution of adventure stories, and the American space program, has never been more interesting!

## ☆ Freshman Spotlight ☆

The spirit of service runs deep in Freshman Kady Cobb's family. In class and on the basketball court, Kady wants to use her experiences to help others.

"I am very competitive by nature, but competitive in the sense of mutual motivation rather than tearing one another down," Kady said. "I have become passionate in pursuing the absence of jealousy, celebrating my friends as much as possible, and using my peers' success as inspiration."

In high school, Kady was captain of her cross-country, track, and basketball teams, and the event co-leader of Relay for Life. She is hoping to get involved with SAAC in college as well.

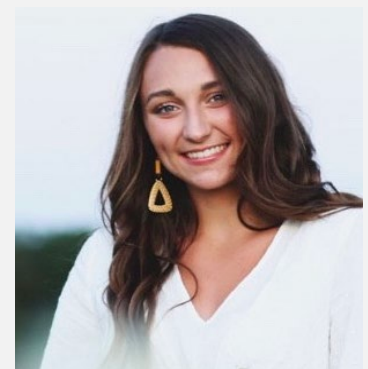
"I have played basketball since third grade and have always been obsessed with it," Kady said. "Playing in college was always a dream of mine, so I am very thankful to be here."

After college, she is hoping to become a dentist and continue to serve.

"The idea of helping people feel more confident with their smiles is very motivating for me," Kady said. "After dental school, my aspiration is to work in the air force."

Her desire to join the Air Force stems from her father.

"He had almost obtained his pilot's license when he was diagnosed with Leukemia for the first time," she said. "While my goal isn't to be an actual pilot, I feel like being in the Air Force is one way I can serve those who are, and honor my dad's past wishes."





## SHO's Picnic Palooza

*Staying Connected During COVID-19*

Coronavirus may have uprooted most plans for 2020, but one organization on campus is not letting that stop them from helping their members have an enjoyable college experience. The Student Honors Organization hosted a Picnic Palooza on September 3 for all honors students. Members enjoyed mini sliders, sides of their choice, and a cookie for dinner, then relaxed and got to know each other in a game of charades. They even managed to coerce the two advisors into playing!

The Student Honors Organization is a group for Honors Students, which hosts social events, volunteer events, and scholastic events. They do an annual Trick or Treat for Canned Goods to collect food for local food banks, and a Puppies and Pastries Event to bring emotional support dogs on campus before finals week!

## Why Join MWSU Honors?

Alex Morehead, Spring 2020 Graduate

As part of the honors program, Alex was involved in interdisciplinary research projects, networking events, and national research conventions.

"[It] gave me opportunities to develop my personal and analytical skills," Alex said. "I'm so grateful for the experiences I had through the program! They have truly prepared me for all the rigors of graduate school and beyond."



## What's Next, Graduates?

### Maggie Archer

- Become a teacher in KC area

### Raegan Britt

- Work at KU as an RN

### Lindsey Davis

- Work in KC as a graphic designer

### Noelia Depietro

- Medical School for an MBA

### Rachel Green (MH)

- Start business – Breakout PR LLC

### Nick Hanlan

- Continue Medical School

### Robbie McCammon

- Earn a Masters, take the CPA

### Emily McCrary

- Law School at University of CO

### Alexis Meyer

- KC as an environmental modeler

### Alex Morehead

- PhD in Computer Science

### Lauryn Muir

- Masters in Counseling Psych.

### Valerie Nierman

- Job in the theater

### Andy Peterson

- Medical School AT Still

### Rebecca Prest

- PhD in Biophysics - Notre Dame

### Allie Reinkemeyer

- Masters in Social Welfare at KU

### Abigail Rinehart

- Pass NCLEX and work as an RN

### Taylor Robinson (MH)

- ABA Implementer in KC

### Kamryn Smith

- Advertising Designer

### Rebecca Wheeler

- Cinema industry in Visual Effects

### Isaac Whitman

- Intern at Christian Challenge