

HANNAH KIRBY

FALL 2021 SIBBERSON AWARD FINALIST

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

Hannah is graduating with a Bachelor of Arts in Communication with minors in Mass Media and Theatre. After graduation, Hannah plans to travel to the Edinburgh Fringe Festival in Scotland in Summer 2022 to complete her study abroad trip originally scheduled for 2020. She then plans to attend graduate school to pursue a Master of Library Science in Fall 2022. Hannah is a member of the Alpha Lambda Delta Honor Society, Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society, Lambda Pi Eta Honor Society, and Nonoso. She served as the Student Outreach Coordinator for the Honors Program for two years and was an active member for four years. Hannah's other leadership role on campus includes Vice President of Washburn Players. Hannah has dedicated her time to numerous philanthropic and service organizations. In August 2019, Hannah participated in the United Nations Millennium Fellowship and created the project "Free Period" with two fellow Washburn students. Free Period works to ensure free, accessible menstrual products on-campus for all students to promote wellbeing and equitable healthcare. Hannah is an Executive Council Member of Ichabod's Moving Forward, a student-led philanthropic group that assists students with financial emergencies. IMF was critical in assisting students throughout the pandemic as they struggled to pay rent and other necessities. Hannah also previously volunteered with the Bods Feeding Bods food pantry. Continuing her passion for public service and engagement, Hannah completed an internship in the Constituent Services Office of Governor Laura Kelly from August 2020 to May 2021. Outside of her classes and organizations, Hannah enjoys performing. She performed in a total of eight theatre productions at Washburn and assisted with three others. Hannah was also a member of the Washburn Choir her first two years. In Summer 2021 Hannah served as a Student Orientation Counselor and joined the Peer Educator team. Mabee Library became a second home to Hannah as she was a student worker for four years and assisted the Theatre Department front desk her final semester. Hannah received the Nall Speak Off Communication Scholarship, the Brunt Scholarship, the Wise Theatre Scholarship, the Boyles Communication Scholarship, the Phi Kappa Phi Scholarship, the Meredith Moore Communication Endowment Fund Scholarship, the General Honors Scholarship, and the General Theatre Scholarship.