

KADE URBAN

SPRING 2023 SIBBERSON FINALIST – SCHOOL OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

Kade is graduating with a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science degree. He plans to work in government, at the state or federal level in a legislative research position or a congressional staff member and is interested in furthering his education by obtaining an advanced degree. Involvement in the election process and government procedures are important to Kade.

Kade completed two internships, one in the Kansas House Majority Whip's office, where he assisted constituents with unemployment issues following the COVID-19 shutdowns, and the other in the Secretary of State's Office in which he worked both the August primary and November election, helping with reporting totals, and maintained regular office hours by answering questions about voter registration, helping with the federal election survey and assisting lobbyists.

Kade was elected as Precinct Committeeman for Ward 8, Precinct 8 in Shawnee County in August 2022. Kade volunteered at Kansas GOP conventions in Olathe and Manhattan and helped with political campaigns at both the state and district level.

During Kade's time at Washburn University, he has been active in Sigma Phi Epsilon serving on the Standards Board, overseeing study groups, and as House Manager, where he helped implement a recycling program for the fraternity. Kade has volunteered for Festival of Trees, the 5K Race Against Breast Cancer, and the 9-11 Memorial.

As part of the Washburn Transformational Experience, he traveled to the United Kingdom, Belgium, France, and the Netherlands with the Political Science department in June 2022 where he visited numerous government buildings, including the EU Parliament and International Criminal Court. He attended the Carlson Leadership Academy in Dallas, Texas, in 2020 and is a member of several honor societies, including Phi Kappa Phi and Alpha Lambda Delta. His involvement on campus included working as a desk assistant for Residential Living for two years, being a member of the Interfraternity Council, and serving as Vice President of the Catholic Campus Center.

Kade received several scholarships including the Dane G. Hansen Scholarship, Garvey Scholarship, Washburn Alumni Legacy Scholarship, Betty Rae Burnett Scholarship, Wade Political Science Scholarship, John Arnett Scholarship, Hill Legislative Scholarship, Wisner Scholarship, Gilbert Galle Political Science Scholarship, Paul Brassfield Scholarship, the Better Business Bureau Scholarship, the Board of Regents Kansas Honor Scholarship, and the Elks Foundation Scholarship.