

## 2017 Department of Biology Awards

### JOSEPH E. GREAVES ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP

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Getting an education has always been something that I enjoy and is very important to me. My academic accomplishments include earning a high school GPA of 3.99, receiving the AP Scholar Award for getting a score of 3 or higher on at least three AP exams, and working hard to maintain my current GPA of 3.80 here at USU. I strive to work hard and get good grades in all of my classes. Aside from an academic setting, I have also had accomplishments in other areas. I have participated in many sports including volleyball, tennis, and golf. I only played tennis and golf during my senior year of high school but I received the Most Improved Award for

tennis and I lettered in golf. Although having accomplishments in many aspects of life is very important to me, I truly feel that service and helping others is most important. During my senior year of high school I was able to be a part of student government. I served as my class Historian and was involved in many service opportunities. I was able to organize and facilitate school-wide fundraisers at different times of the year for different people in need or for the community in general. These included a can drive for our local food pantry and a fundraiser called "Quarters for Christmas," which raised money for a family in need. I have also held many leadership positions and participated in service activities in a church setting. My hobbies include reading, playing sports, hiking, skiing, and any other type of exercise or outdoorsy activity. My current academic goals are to finish my Bachelor of Science degree here at USU with a major in biology and minors in psychology and chemistry. My long-term academic goals include going to graduate school and receiving a PhD in neuropsychology or clinical psychology with an emphasis in neuropsychology. Eventually I would like to work in either a clinical or research setting. I would be interested in working with patients with Alzheimer's or Parkinson's diseases, autism, or any other neurological deficit. I am very excited to enter this field because there is still so much to research and learn, and my ultimate goal is to help people in any way I can.