

Capital Scholars Bios 2022

Delina Ateshim



Delina is a first-year student at Arizona State University, pursuing a Bachelor's of Science in Sociology and Computer Science with a minor in Political Science and a certificate in Justice and Equity. A nationally-decorated speaker with hopes to use their speaking and writing skills within the congressional realm to advance policy initiatives that address racial inequality, the climate crisis, and equity within the global south. Currently, they are a member of ASU Barrett's Justice and Equity Honors Network and work for the Democratic Party of Arizona's campus-oriented political campaign Mission Arizona. In her free time, she enjoys baking, creative writing, and theater, where she played two title characters during her time in high school.

Alex Doyle



Alex is a junior at ASU pursuing a degree in public policy and public service with a focus in law. Alex grew up living in Canada, learning Quebecois French and the complicated nature of being an American living abroad. Alex has always had a passion for justice and hopes to go into law after receiving his bachelor's degree. Alex currently volunteers as a research aide in sociology and social work at ASU, where he hopes to help make a difference through the sciences.

Colette Greenbaum



Colette Greenbaum is a second year dual major Biomedical Sciences and Political Sciences student studying at Arizona State University. Colette grew up in the Chicago area and moved to Scottsdale where she attended high school. She is a proud member of Alpha Omicron Pi Sorority at ASU's Lambda Psi chapter. She also is a member of Order of Omega honor society for members of Greek life on ASU's campus. In Colette's free time she can be found hiking around Arizona's best trails and spending time with her three older siblings. In her future, she hopes to attend law school.

Isabel Haas



Isabel Haas is a rising Junior pursuing dual degrees in Global Studies and Applied Mathematics for the Life and Social Sciences with a minor in Spanish Language Studies. She is President of both the Migrant Solidarity Alliance and J Street U at ASU and is passionate about advocacy and social justice. She is currently conducting research in the biological sciences on a project focused on discovering a set ratio between Nitrogen, Phosphorus, and Carbon in living organisms, a discovery that could help scientists find a cure for cancer. Beyond her broad range of educational interests and multi-disciplinary studies, Isabel loves traveling, reading, and practically anything that involves the outdoors. If you ever cannot find her, the best place to look is probably the peak of the nearest mountain.

Tyler Haggerty



Tyler Haggerty is a rising senior at Arizona State University majoring in Public Service and Public Policy with a concentration in Law and Policy, minoring in Film and Media Production, and working toward a certificate in Cross Sector Leadership. A Tempe native, Tyler has had a long-time interest in politics and public service to make the world a more just and equal place, stemming from his experience watching his two moms earn the right to legally be married and from the stories he would hear around the dinner table about their students, many of whom were from low-income households or were DACA recipients.

As someone on the autism spectrum, Tyler is a fierce advocate for disability rights and accessible health care, a passion that started him off on his public policy journey after attending the Arizona Youth Leadership Forum, a summer Program for youth who have disabilities in Arizona, in 2017. He was elected to serve on the programs alumni association executive committee after attending, and he has served as a member ever since. In his time at Arizona State University, Tyler has been a recipient and cohort member of the Next Generation Service Corps and Medallion scholarship programs, a recipient of the Dean's Scholarship, and a member of the ASU Young Democrats and ASU Young Democratic Socialists. He spends his free time drawing, watching cartoons and anime, reading manga, animating, and learning about history. After graduation, he hopes to get a master's degree in Public Policy, and work in state and local government before some day running for public office. He would also like to eventually create his own animated TV show or webtoon, the genre of which will more than likely be political satire.

Ian Higgins



Ian Higgins is a junior at ASU pursuing a degree in Public Policy and Service with a concentration in law and policy. He plays multiple instruments including guitar, piano, drums, and bass and produces music as a hobby. He works for "Changemaker" which is a community service focused student organization at ASU and organizes events around civic engagement. After graduating, Ian hopes to become a public administrator in a local government or with a public utility to provide better access to public goods and services.

Carl Hodgson



Carl Hodgson is currently a third year student at Arizona State University from Louisiana working towards a Political Science major with a minor in Communication and a certificate in Political History and Leadership. He will be graduating in 2023. Carl is currently a communications intern at the Republican Party of Arizona. He enjoys his degree and internship because he likes learning about the political process. Carl hopes to attend law school and study public policy law.

Megan Niehoff



Megan Niehoff is a sophomore currently pursuing a degree in Political Science and minoring in Business and Communications. Currently, she is involved in Sun Devil Mock Trial and has attended several national competitions as part of a competitive team. Besides school, Megan enjoys watching a good drama TV show and cooking a delicious dinner for her friends and family. The thing she is most excited for with the Capital Scholars Program is the opportunity to live D.C. with other driven students. Although unsure of what career she wants to pursue, she hopes that this program will help her learn more about her passions of working in education equity.

Jameel Subhan



Jameel is a Political Science Major who is minoring in Sociology. Growing up as a minority in Kingman, Arizona shaped his worldview he often struggled with his identity and always looked for ways to further define the world around him. He used his studies to learn more about this narrative by learning and becoming aware of social and political concepts. In the future, Jameel plans to use his experience and knowledge gained to further promote principles of justice, human rights, liberation, and self-determination while embodying and constructing a new narrative for the underrepresented populations.

Aral Tolan



Aral is a rising junior at Arizona State University pursuing a major in Political Science and a minor in French. He has grown up in three different countries (Turkey, France, U.S) and has proficiency in Turkish, French, and English. His hobbies are traveling and seeing museums as well as tasting new cuisines from around the world. During his spare time, he likes to watch documentaries and read political articles about current events. After completing school, Aral plans on specializing in diplomacy and international relations.

Ricardo Uribe



Ricardo is a rising Senior, pursuing a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science, with a minor in Sociology and a certificate in Civic Education. He hopes to use his time as a Capital Scholar to gain hands-on experience with the ins and outs of Congress. Additionally, he hopes to help efforts to increase representation in politics by being a voice for the underrepresented and marginalized communities he is a part of. During his free time, Ricardo enjoys spending quality time with his loved ones, curating playlists, and staying up-to-date on current events. He hopes to use his experience as a Capital Scholar to pursue a career in politics upon graduation, or to continue his education by attending law school and studying constitutional law, all in hopes of creating a more equitable future in which every American has the ability to achieve the American Dream.

Kadison Willis



Kadison Willis is 25 and currently living in Austin, TX. She is a junior at Arizona State University studying Sustainability, Policy and Governance Track (B.A.), Mass Communication and Media Studies (B.A.), and Political Science (minor). Kadison is pursuing politics as an intervention point for social sustainability issues, including social, racial, economic, and environmental justice. She serves as an intern at the Texas House of Representatives along with her work as the President of ASU's Online Student Government. Kadison is excited to be participating in ASU's Capital Scholars program this summer in Washington D.C. In her free time she like to travel, roller skate, and try new restaurants.

Levi Wyman



Levi Wyman is a senior majoring in Political Science and minoring in Spanish. After he graduates this winter, he is interested in pursuing a graduate degree in International Relations. As a Capital Scholar, Levi hopes to land an internship with a lobbying firm, policy institute, or congressional office. He loves writing and is also a fan of the Oxford Comma. He was born and raised in Seattle and most recently spent a year living in Portland, Oregon while pursuing his degree online. Levi previously worked for Starbucks for over seven years and spent over three years as a Store Manager. Since then, he has traveled to various countries, including the United Arab Emirates for the 2020 World Expo in Dubai, as a part of an ASU study abroad program. Levi is excited to spend the summer in Washington, D.C., and gain professional experience working in politics and government.