

Policy Design Studio Student Bios Fall 2022

Rachel Hess



Rachel Hess is a senior from Scottsdale, Arizona pursuing degrees in Spanish and Political Science at Barrett, the Honors College at Arizona State University. At ASU Rachel is a Tillman scholar in the Tillman Leadership through Action program, a member of the Global Resolve team in Kenya designing an automotive education and repair center, a tour guide for Barrett, and a tutor and mentor for refugee students through RISE (Refugee Integration Stability and Education). Rachel enjoys working with people and is excited to work in DC in the fall at the Office of Human Rights and Humanitarian Affairs for the Department of State. Rachel loves to travel, learn new languages, eat new foods, visit art museums, and spend her time outdoors.

Kaley Danks



Kaley Danks is a junior at Arizona State University working towards a Bachelor of Science in Biological Sciences and a Bachelor of Arts in Spanish. Kaley also has a passion for international relations and human rights and hopes to combine her interests while studying in law school after obtaining her undergraduate degrees. Since 2016, Kaley has been heavily involved in the Phoenix Sister Cities organization, which seeks to increase international relationships through person-to-person contact. She also volunteers as a science tutor at ASU and spends her weekends serving in her church. When it's time to relax, Kaley loves to take day trips all over Arizona, bake, watch mystery movies, and spend time with loved ones. In the future, Kaley hopes to practice law with the ultimate goal of improving the lives of Spanish speakers in the United States.

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Araceli Lopez



Araceli Lopez is a junior from Phoenix, Arizona, attending Barrett, The Honors College at Arizona State University. She is studying Politics and Economy with a Spanish minor and a certificate in international studies. She is involved with various organizations on campus like Undergraduate Student Government and ASU Aliento. She is also a part of the Tillman Scholars Program and the Leadership Scholarship Program. Outside of ASU, she was a fellow with Aliento, interned for the Phoenix City Council, was a Government Relations Research Analyst for a law firm, and is currently working as a Public Policy Fellow for ASU's Office of University Affairs. Araceli hopes to continue her involvement in the community alongside advocating for citizens' rights at a local and national level.

Celine Chavez



Celine Chavez is a senior at Arizona State University studying Political Science and Philosophy. Growing up with a father who worked in national security, Celine lived a peripatetic life, obtaining a broad perspective from the diverse people in the cities she grew up in. Living so close to those affected by the policy makers, she desires to combat injustice and ensure equality. She believes a career in foreign affairs and policy making can help her attain this goal by formulating and implementing policies that have the potential to improve lives domestically and globally. After graduation, Celine plans to attend law school and become a human rights lawyer to protect those unable to protect themselves.