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MACI KLUESNER

Maci is a Law, Politics, and Society (LPS) major, who after graduation plans to attend Drake Law School.

"The LPS program has enhanced my education in ways that I did not know were possible when coming to Drake University. I had intentions of entering a pre-law program, and never really questioned what the politics and society aspects would entail. I think that what is pretty special about LPS is that our major is supposedly separate things, but I quickly learned that they were all connected. While I did get a pre-law education that I was looking for, I ended up getting much more. I earned a well rounded education that better prepares me to further my education and granted me the critical thinking skills that are valuable everywhere. I also had the opportunity to learn with a group of like minded scholars with supportive professors. That is my favorite part about being an LPS major is the sense of community that comes with it."

EMMA ROESLER

Emma is double-major in LPS and Mathematics, with a minor in Sociology. After graduation, she will be attending law school at Washington University in St. Louis in the fall, where she plans to focus on family law and/or criminal defense.

"The LPS curriculum exposed me to so many new ideas and experiences. I watched court proceedings in a court house, took a class in the law school, and met countless influential individuals. LPS encouraged me to explore subjects that I am passionate about like mass incarceration while pushing me to investigate unfamiliar topics such as food law. The program taught me important skills including how to read and analyze legal documents while expanding my general knowledge base. Overall, I am much more well-rounded than I was when I started college and I feel prepared for my future."



CARMELA BETANCOURT

Carmela is graduating with as a Law, Politics, & Society major (LPS). After graduation, she plans to continue working as a District Manager for a family-owned business here in Des Moines, then enter law school, to study family law or criminal defense.

"As an LPS major we learn how the law navigates in various ways without us knowing. The analytical tools that I was taught here at Drake did not stay in the classroom; they had now bled into all aspects of my life and impacted almost all thoughts and every decision that I made. As idealistic as it may sound, the personal growth that I have experienced, and I know I will continue to experience, will always make my legal education worth my time, effort, and money. I can honestly say that the professors at Drake University have made my experience very enjoyable, they truly want you to succeed in every way possible."