

Pulaski Scholarship for Advanced Studies Scholarship Recipients

Gabriela Andrzejewska, of Sterling Heights, Michigan has her BS in Neuroscience and a BA in Spanish from Central Michigan University. She is fluent in English, Polish, and Spanish. She also studied Medical Spanish and shadowed in the Neurological Hospital associated with the Universidad de Belgrano in Buenos Aires, Argentina. She is presently studying Medicine at the Central Michigan University College of Medicine, and is interested in Neonatology, Neurology, and Otolaryngology. Since January 2023 Gabriela has worked as a Spanish/Polish court and hospital translator.

Kacper Grass, of Royal Oak, Michigan, Kacper has a BA in Political Science from the University of Tennessee with a specialty in International Affairs and Hispanic Studies. He holds an MA in Political Science from the Autonomous University of Barcelona (2017-2018). He is currently pursuing his Ph.D. in Political Science at the University of Tennessee. He performed a voluntary internship at the Consulate of the Republic of Poland in Knoxville in 2017 and managed student exchanges between the University of Tennessee and the Jagiellonian University in Krakow.

Stephanie Grodecki, of Silver Spring, Maryland, holds a BS in Biology and Psychology, Magna Cum Laude, from the University of Georgia. Fluent in Polish, she is the Founder of the Eastern European Dental Association, which organized a food sale that raised money to be sent to Poland and Ukraine. Stephanie is completing her Doctor of Dental Medicine Candidature at the University of Pennsylvania School of Dental Medicine. She has assisted with Special Olympics in Athens, Georgia, and was a volunteer for Medlife in Cusco, Peru on women's health and the restoration of local homes.

Gavin Moulton, of Alexandria, Virginia, holds a BA in History of Art and Architecture and Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations, Magna Cum Laude, from Harvard. He also studied at the University of Bologna, which included a concentration on the Turkish Republic, 1923-1957. He also holds an MA in History from the University of Notre Dame, and is currently a Ph.D. History Candidate at Notre Dame. His dissertation will be entitled: "From Church to Factory: Schisms and Strikes in the Slavic Industrial Belt, 1877-1941". He has studied Polish at the Catholic University of Lublin and the University of Wroclaw and has volunteered at Saint Adalbert Church in South Bend on a restoration project.

Joanna Sowa, of Garfield, New Jersey, holds a BS with honors in Industrial and Labor Relations from Cornell, where she was President of the Cornell Catholic Community. She also studied at the University College of Dublin, Ireland for a semester. Joanna is a third-year student at the Seton Hall University School of Law in Newark, New Jersey and hopes to practice law at the intersection of labor, employment, and immigration law.

Anna Weldy, of Rochester, NY, holds a BS in Chemical Engineering from the University of Rochester. During her studies, she utilized computational fluid dynamics tools to model blood flow in carotid artery disease to help prevent strokes, and also studied breast cancer metastasis at Tufts University as a National Science Foundation Research Experience participant. Anna completed a Fulbright Research Fellowship at the University of Copenhagen, Denmark, where she developed and characterized a drug delivery system. She is currently a Ph.D. candidate in

Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering at the University of California, Berkeley. She is also an accomplished violinist who played in the University of Rochester Symphony Orchestra.

Weronika Wyparlo, of Staten Island, New York, holds a BA in Modern Languages, with a specialization in Swedish Philology. She earned her Master of Communication and Information degree at Rutgers University in 2024 with aspirations to pursue her Ph.D. Weronika's career objective revolves around the usage of digital media to drive positive change within the non-profit sector to amplify awareness of critical social issues.