Educational Highlights: I entered the College of Charleston as a freshman and have since continually kept a GPA of 3.8 or higher. In my English courses alone, I have kept a 4.0 average and was recently nominated to present a paper at the English Day celebration held by The Department of English.

Research Focus or Project: I have done multiple research papers focusing on feminist elements in literary works. In my research, I examined Charlotte Perkins Gilman’s short story “The Yellow Wallpaper,” the novel Sexing the Cherry by Jeanette Winterson, and the poetry of Lady Mary Wroth, looking at how each author represents feminist ideals in her work. These women all portray the struggles of exhibiting a female voice in a largely male-dominated society, whether specifically in literature or the world at large. I looked at the different literary techniques that Gilman, Winterson, and Wroth employ in order to express their views to their readers, while gaining some insight into the range of creative output possible even when the authors are linked by the common theme of feminism.

Future Plans: I have applied and had an interview for the Japan Exchange and Teaching (JET) Program, which gives college graduates the opportunity to teach English as a second language in Japan. If accepted into the program, I will participate for at least a year, and I have considered going into teaching in the U.S. after returning.