We are excited to announce the third class of Pathways Scholars for the 2018-19 academic year. Thanks to the generous financial sponsorship of Motorists Mutual Insurance, Wendy’s Quality Supply Chain Co-operative, Williams Sonoma, General Motors and Sherwin Williams, we are able to provide scholarship support for 12 students in the third year of this program. Each of 12 1\textsuperscript{st} or 2\textsuperscript{nd} year students will receive $2,500 scholarships. This group will participate in a series of events designed to introduce them to supply chain concepts and how leading companies achieve advantage through their supply chains. The scholars will also receive one-on-one coaching/counseling from a mentor at one of the four sponsoring companies, as well as coaching from the Ohio State Faculty leaders. We will be organizing 8 – 12 events throughout the coming academic year and are looking for companies to volunteer time to present on their supply chain initiatives and/or host the group at their facilities. If you are interested in participating in this program, please contact Ken Boyer, Mi Kyong Newsom or Cheryl Dickerson.

We will be writing monthly newsletters, posts and sharing with interested parties. For now, please read below to learn a bit about our second class of Pathways Scholars.

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Welcome scholars!
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Cheryl Dickerson, Program Leader (dickerson.138@osu.edu)
Breleigh Berry, Monroe, OH

Breleigh Berry has spent the past eighteen years of her life growing up in Monroe, Ohio, a small, cornfield surrounded town placed just about a half hour north of Cincinnati. She lives with her parents, seventeen year old brother, and two cats, and was homeschooled before attending high school at Bishop Fenwick. Breleigh (pronounced BRAY-lee) enjoys everything from running cross country (she has no hand-eye coordination, unfortunately) to drawing, painting, writing, and the performing arts. She’s been in theater since she was nine, but with no dreams of Broadway, there was no other place she’d rather go than Ohio State! She enjoys getting to interact with others, especially face to face, and is eager to meet her fellow members of the Pathways program. She attended the Future Women in Business Summit OSU held in the summer of 2017 and knew from then on that she had found the college and the major for her. Ohio State has always been one of her top picks, but the staggering variety of options for activities and careers, the diversity of the campus, and the size and school spirit are the main features that sealed the deal for her. Business has been Breleigh’s desired area of interest throughout most of high school, and she can’t wait to learn what it takes to be a successful business woman and to find her niche inside such a large field of opportunities. Some random facts about her: she knows practically all the lyrics in Hamilton, Psychology was her favorite subject to learn about in school, her favorite Disney movie is The Incredibles, and her cat’s name is Tornado. She can’t wait for this school year to start and is ready to be a part of the Buckeye family and legacy.

Aadya Bubna, New Delhi, India

Being born and brought up in a rigid ‘Marwari’ community I aspire to break through the walls created for girls. I have been lucky to have the support of my loving family. My father taught me the importance of discipline in life and my mother taught me the importance of being humble. Being the middle child of my parents I was lucky that I had someone to look up to and someone to look after. My elder sister is someone I wish to emulate. My younger brother taught me how to enjoy the small moments of life. My family is my strength.

Food, culture and diversity - these words sum up my city, the city of Joy, Kolkata. This city exposed me to Indian culture in the forms of Indian classical music and dance. My city is what helped me discover my passion for music and dance. My creative outlets helped me balance my studies and connected me with many diverse people. My family and hometown has truly enriched my life in several ways.

Ohio State University has been on my list ever since I heard about its fabulous academic programs from my friends and school counsellor. My own extensive research into the university’s website showed me unique aspects and vibrant learning opportunities. Being a part of the international and diverse student body and getting the opportunity to participate in real world learning experiences is sure to provide me a holistic undergraduate experience and this solidified my decision to attend Ohio State University. Now it’s time to close the doors to the past open the door to the future, take a deep breath and start a new chapter in my life because my time as a caterpillar has expired my wings are ready.
**Dominique Carravetta, St. Charles, IL**

My name is Dominique Carravetta and I am from St. Charles, Illinois- a suburb about 45 minutes west of Chicago. Growing up so close to a massive city sparked my curiosity at a young age; I wondered how major transportation industries ran and how the massive companies headquartered in Chicago ever grew to be so profitable. My father worked for UPS, so he introduced me to supply chain/logistics, and from there my interest grew. I am going into my second year at Ohio State, majoring in Logistics Management and minoring in Aviation. At Ohio State, I am involved in Club Swimming, The Logistics Association, Zeta Tau Alpha sorority, the Honors College, STEP, TOPS, and I am a CS Grader. In high school I was captain of the varsity swim team, and an active member and tutor for National, Math, Science, Social Studies, and Spanish National Honor Societies. I also volunteered at the local hospital with a program called Orthokids where I swam and did water therapy with children with disabilities. When I began the college search my junior year of high school, I knew I wanted to be the first person in my family to attend a Big 10 school. After visiting nearly 20 colleges, I knew Ohio State was the right fit for me because of the welcoming environment, beautiful campus, academic excellence, Buckeye pride, and of course THE greatest college football team.

**Sihan (Jasmine) Chen, Macau, China**

My name is Jasmine Chen. I was born in Guangdong, China. I have three siblings: my two sisters and my brother. I am the oldest one. I spent my first 13 years of life in a city called Dongguan. In Dongguan, I attended a local Chinese school where there was no time for asking questions, no time to read books other than textbooks and no time even to breathe. Four years ago, one of my younger sisters and I decided to move to Macau to seek a freer education. An education where you were encouraged to ask questions, explore your own academic interests, have some degree of choice. My parents supported my decision and they agreed that my sister and I should live alone to make ourselves become more independent. Macau is known for its gambling industry. There are billions of people over the world visiting Macau every year. Because of this, Macau becomes a cosmopolitan city. Both my city and school are very diverse. Living in a city like Macau makes me want to continue to experience different cultures. This is why I choose to study abroad instead of staying in a local university. I chose to attend the Ohio State University not only because of the bountiful resources it provided, but also because of the school spirit. Even though OSU is one of the largest school in the country, being a Buckeye will never make a person feel alone. Being a foreigner in the country, I love how OSU has made students from different cultural backgrounds into one family. I am looking forward to my new journey at OSU and get involved in the Pathways program.
Kang-Chi Chu, Taipei, Taiwan

My Chinese name is Kang Chi Chu. You can call me Casey. I come from Taiwan, where Boba originated from. I grow up in the capital city of Taiwan, Taipei. The reason why I decided to study in the U.S. is that I want to step out of my comfort zone and experience different kinds of study atmosphere.

I graduated from one of the most prestigious high schools in Taiwan, where school work has become the center of our daily lives. However, I still dedicate myself to activities such as holding charity bazaars or spending one hour per week teaching kids who live in rural areas in Taiwan English online. These events not only help trained my leadership skills but also improve my skill of building teamwork with others. The most important thing is that we have brought positive changes to both our school and community through these events.

Besides being interested in community service, I am also talented in the field of music. I started learning the piano since I was three. I have attended several performances and contests. Though busy school works had once made me feel like giving up playing piano, I tried to encourage myself that perseverance is also part of growing up. I also play the violin and joined the symphonic band of our school for 2 years and learned trombone and baritone.

The diverse community of OSU, consisting of students from various places and countries, is the biggest reason that I chose OSU. Moreover, Fisher is also attractive. Its strong alumni connection and abundant resources make Fisher one of the most highly ranked business school in the United States. I look forward to the great opportunities offer by OSU and can’t wait to embrace my brand new life chapter at the Ohio State University.

Sydney Feldman, Hewlett, NY

Hi, my name is Sydney Feldman! I am from Hewlett, New York, a small town in Long Island. I live with my mom and older sister. My mom’s two sisters, my 6 first cousins, and my grandparents all live in town as well, so our house is never too quiet. My mom owns a local retail shop with her sisters and my grandmother, so wanting to pursue a career in business was no surprise to my family. I was a cheerleader in high school, but definitely can’t compare to the cheerleaders at Ohio State. My hobbies are pretty typical for an incoming college freshman: Netflix, going to the gym (occasionally), napping, eating, and more recently, playing with my iPad I received at orientation. My older sister is going to be a junior at Ohio State, but aside from that, I decided to be a Buckeye because I always wanted to go to a school with a great football team (being a cheerleader forced me to learn how the game actually works), a large campus, being a far enough from home without being too far, and, of course, a great business school. The opportunities that Ohio State had to offer definitely outweighed all of the others, and I am looking forward to taking advantage of those opportunities and learning about even more of them!
Sadie Lichaa, Roslyn Heights, NY

My name is Sadie Lichaa, and I’m from Long Island, New York. I am part of a family of four including my mom, dad, and younger brother. Throughout my life I have always created art. Art has always come naturally to me whether its ceramics, painting, drawing, or sculpture. When I draw I get absorbed into my work so time seems to stand still. My style tends to be more structured rather than abstract which allows me to be creative within the lines. I chose The Ohio State University because it values both education and a spirit of community and belonging. More specifically, I chose the Fisher College of Business because of its broad variety of majors to choose from as well as its many resources for networking with faculty, alumni, and fellow students. It’s clear to me that Ohio State wants its students to succeed and provides so many opportunities to help them do so. I know that Ohio State will allow me to use my creative side while learning about the different aspects of the business world. I look forward to immersing myself in the Buckeye family.

Madison Metague, Richboro, PA

My name is Madison Metague. I live in a suburban town of Bucks County, Pennsylvania roughly 30 minutes outside Philadelphia. My family is a huge part of my life and my biggest support system. I live with my mom, dad and two little sisters, Devin and Reagan. In high school I was a cheerleader and a pole vaulter. Sports were a main consumer of my time but I would not have had it any other way. They were the perfect outlet for my love of activity. When on a break from my sports I still spend a majority of my time outside. Whether it be biking, hiking or sitting at the pool, I love the outdoors. I also enjoy exploring new towns and cities. Being so close to Philadelphia it is where I have traveled the most, but I also love to take the train to NYC when possible. I am excited to move to Columbus and get to know the ins and outs of a beautiful city. I chose Ohio State for endless reasons, one of them being the location. Few schools come close to having such an amazing location for business, entertainment and exploration. There are countless things to do in Columbus and I am so excited to try it all. I also chose Ohio State for the people. When I toured in my senior year I had a lot of questions and every person I encountered was more than happy to answer them for me. Everytime I entered a room I was greeted with an inviting smile which is something that I found nowhere else. The entire time I was on campus I felt welcomed and wanted; this is how I knew Ohio State was for me. I am beyond excited to start my journey as a buckeye.
Jessica Shockey is a recent graduate from Coventry High School located in Akron, Ohio. Throughout her high school career, she has received multiple academic and athletic awards some of which includes Best of Class-News Channel 5, Summa Cum Laude graduate, Top Ten recipient, M.V.P for the girls varsity tennis team, and OHSAA Scholar Athlete Award winner. Jessica has also held positions during her high school career as a representative and vice president for Women’s chorus and Blood Drive Coordinator for National Honor Society. Outside of school, Jessica enjoys to traveling, learning new things, and being outdoors with her friends and family. Due to her interest in traveling and learning, she has decided to challenge herself with the academics Ohio State has to offer. Jessica plans to study Business Administration at the university with hopes to run a business that has a purpose greater than profit later in life.

Abby Van Fossen, Gahanna, OH

Abby, a rising sophomore at The Ohio State University, was born in Nanchang, China. Abby was adopted when she was twelve months old by the Van Fossen family and grew up in Gahanna, Ohio with her parents, older brother, and younger sister. The Van Fossen’s currently have two dogs: Tess, a Newfoundland, and Louis, a French bulldog, and both can be spotted running and playing fetch. During high school, Abby was on the varsity cheer squad and also served as class president. She participated in a mentoring program where she served in helping younger students with various lessons and activities. Abby began her college career by taking online courses from Cedarville University during her senior year of high school and continued the following year at Columbus State Community College where she participated as a preferred pathway student and can be found on the Dean’s List.

In Abby’s spare time, she can be found working in her flower garden, baking confectionary goods in the kitchen, or relaxing with a classic book. Abby also enjoys traveling to new cities and learning about the culture of other countries. In the past, Abby has loved the opportunity to experience Madrid, Barcelona, and Toledo, Spain; Paris, France; and Hong Kong, China. From the moment Abby knew she wanted to go into the business field, it was obvious that Ohio State’s Fisher College of Business was the perfect place for her. Fisher stood out to Abby for their highly ranked business programs and their ability to provide universal business skills and countless opportunities that will lead Abby to become a s to participate in the Pathways Program.
Remington Weir, Boca Raton, FL

I’m Remi Weir from Boca Raton, Florida which is on the east coast about an hour north of Miami. It’s a densely populated area and there are always many events going on. I’ve lived in Florida most of my life and only see snow once a year when we go skiing. So, I have no idea what it’s like to live in a place with snow and I think I’m in for a surprise.

I have a brother who is two years younger than me, a cat, and a bird. I enjoy shopping, exercising, cheerleading, and baking. I don’t like to sit around idle and am always looking for activities to participate in.

My major is logistics management and I’m very confident of this choice. I’ll probably add a minor but I’m still deciding between equine studies and business analytics. I’m also eager to join the Duck Club and plan to rush in the spring! I chose to attend Ohio State for many reasons. I knew I wanted to leave Florida and go somewhere with snow. I wanted a school with a large, spirited student body and football team. The educational opportunities were also important to me. Acceptance into the Business Scholars program and direct admittance to Fisher with my first choice major helped sway my decision. After much consideration, I decided that Ohio State maintains the perfect balance of spirited, forever-passionate Buckeyes, as well as educational opportunities. Additionally, my father attended the University of Michigan so obviously I couldn’t pass up a chance to force my dad into an Ohio State t-shirt!

I’m very excited to be a part of this unique program and am eager to take advantage of all the wonderful opportunities it will offer! I look forward to meeting everyone and getting involved in this program!

Marlie Weprin, Delray Beach, FL

My name is Marlie Weprin. I am from Delray Beach, Florida and went to Saint Andrew’s School in Boca Raton. I have played lacrosse since second grade and have spent most of my weekends at the beach. I went to sleepaway camp for eight summers at Raquette Lake Camps in Upstate New York. I not only learned how to play every sport and do all kinds of water activities, but I also learned how to be independent and coexist with all kinds of people. I come from a very big family; however, despite the size, we are very close. We have family dinners every Sunday night and all live near each other. My grandparents are from Dayton, Ohio and raised my dad and his five siblings there. When I was born, they all moved to Florida. I chose to go to Ohio State because I grew up in a family who bleeds Scarlet and Gray. My grandparents named their dogs Archie and Woody, and my dad proposed to my mom in front of the Shoe. I could not imagine going to school anywhere else. Ohio State has everything I wanted: the rigorous academics, the amazing sports teams, and a city close to campus. Ohio State also has all four seasons, which is something I have always wanted to experience. One of my uncles will be at Ohio State with me doing a year of dental residency in the Ohio State medical center. Even though I grew up as a Buckeye, I can’t wait to officially become one. I am very excited to participate in the Fisher College of Business Pathways Program! Go Bucks!