

MEET ANAM

EVERGREEN HIGH SCHOOL
(HIGHLINE SCHOOL DISTRICT)
CLASS OF 2014



UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON

"I was a public health major in college,
My favorite part of college was meeting
new people and doing outreach in the
low-income communities."

"I am a healthcare business analyst. My job is to develop ways to help the low-income community and I use my language skills to help Somali people understand what is happening and ways they can find help."

ANAM'S ADVICE TO STUDENTS:

"Do what you love! Don't chase the money; chase your heart. You don't want to study for four years and then come to find out your job is boring. Volunteer a lot so you know where you fit in and what you like doing."

MEET JASMINE

EVERGREEN HIGH SCHOOL
(HIGHLINE SCHOOL DISTRICT)
CLASS OF 2012



SAN JOSE UNIVERSITY,
JUSTICE STUDIES AND
PHILOSOPHY

PEPPERDINE
SCHOOL OF LAW,
MASTERS OF LEGAL
STUDIES

NOW:

"I work as a Legal Writing Assistant for a Worker's Compensation and Personal Injury law firm."

JASMINE'S ADVICE TO STUDENTS:
"Have backup options and always take the opportunity to learn something new."

MEET MARIE

FRANKLIN HIGH SCHOOL
(SEATTLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS)
CLASS OF 2010

"In high school, I was a student leader in Key Club. I spent many early mornings volunteering in my community because of it."



SCRIPPS COLLEGE ENGLISH & PHILOSOPHY

"My favorite part of college was the community that I built around me who continue to be there to lift each other up as we change careers or try new passions."

"Volunteering led me to do a year of service with AmeriCorps and now I strive to find roles that allow me to serve my students and my community, such as joining the alumni board for Summer Search Seattle."

"I work at the University of Washington, Evans School of Public Policy & Governance. I help to recruit a more diverse graduate student population for our program and work to create a more inclusive community in our program."

MARIE'S ADVICE TO STUDENTS:

"Be okay with not knowing everything about anything, including what you want to do with your life. No one's path is straight and it may take a few turns before you finally feel like you're on the right journey. Enjoy the wrong turns, because that will ultimately make who you aspire to become."

MEET MICHAEL

KENTRIDGE HIGH SCHOOL
(KENT SCHOOL DISTRICT)
CLASS OF 2010



"My time at Kentridge taught me how to collaborate with others on long term projects, and gave me the skills to effectively work as a team. My time competing for the Kentridge swim team instilled a passion for athleticism and competition that drives me to this day."

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"I graduated UW class of 2013 with a BS in Mechanical Engineering focused on Mechatronics. The exposure to new ideas and people was my favorite part of the experience."



"I'm a Mechanical Hardware Design Engineer at HP in Vancouver, WA. I design drive systems and components for office printers and more."

MICHAEL'S ADVICE TO STUDENTS:

"Take the choice of career path seriously. Don't feel pressured to choose quickly or just take the easy path. It may feel like you're wasting time or falling behind, but taking the time to figure out what you really want to do with your career will pay off big time down the road."

MEET NICOLLETTE

AUBURN HIGH SCHOOL
CLASS OF 2010



HIGHLINE COLLEGE

"My favorite part was the community college experience because it was a smaller campus that I built community in. I also was able to get to know my teachers well and choose ones I wanted to stay connected to afterwards."

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"I'm a huge advocate for what works best for each individual student and know that education journeys are far from one-size-fits-all."

"I'm an Education Advocate in the Renton region for Seattle Education Access. I work with low-income young people who want to pursue postsecondary degrees."

NICOLLETTE'S ADVICE TO STUDENTS:

"Don't feel pressured to go straight into a four-year college or university. There's a lot more pros to community colleges and technical schools that I don't think people talk about enough. Also don't think college is limited to associate and bachelor's degrees. Consider professional technical options and apprenticeships if you're interested and (shameless plug) get connected to an Education Advocate to support you in this exploration along the way!"

MEET YAMARA

CLEVELAND HIGH SCHOOL
(SEATTLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS)
CLASS OF 2013



"I am currently a student teacher in my last year completing an internship in a first grade classroom. The school I am currently teaching at has the highest amount of Spanish speaking students in the region. I use my Spanish and English speaking abilities to code switch so that I can explain and interpret information for students and teachers."



WESTERN WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

"I went to Western Washington University. I studied Human Development, minored in TESOL, and am working on my reading and bilingual endorsements. A specific college experience I enjoyed was my study abroad teaching in Mexico where I taught English to adults and university students."



YAMARA'S ADVICE TO STUDENTS:

"Make sure you have a clear understanding of ALL possible majors at your school of choice and that you know how they might be used in grad school. I did not think certain majors were linked to certain career fields."

MEET YOUCEF

FEDERAL WAY HIGH SCHOOL
CLASS OF 2014



"In high school, I was involved in different organizations. I learned about the importance of reaching out to individuals that you look up to and asking for help or mentorship. This can eventually lead to learning about different opportunities and careers."

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"I graduated from the University of Washington and majored in Computer Science with a minor in Mathematics."

"I work at T-Mobile as an Associate Software Engineer in the Infrastructure as a service (IaaS) Automated Solutions team. As an engineer, the skill I learned in school that connects to my job is being able to step out of my comfort zone. I am always challenged with problems. Being able to step out of my comfort zone helps me solve the problem. Also, being multilingual in the workspace provides me with the tools and lens to come up with innovative solutions to problems."

YOUCEF'S ADVICE TO STUDENTS:

"Have an open mind about what careers to pursue and reach out to individuals within those careers to learn about what they do."