

M&T Bank Center For Women in Business

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My Passion For Business

Thinking about my past experiences in business brings me to two places: Marcum LLP and Williams Landscaping & Outdoor Services LLC. I have recently been interning at Marcum, where I have been part of the Healthcare and Non-Profit audit team, completing audits for companies in these industries across the Northeast. Working on these types of clients and being able to visit them on-site has allowed my team and I to confirm their financial standing and ensure that they can continue their business operations. Aiding these specific industries benefits so many people that are in need of healthcare services across countless communities. It has also impacted me by opening my mind to the importance of business in healthcare, inspiring me to continue to pursue this aspect of my career. Additionally, I have been working closely with the business of a family-friend, Williams Landscape. Working with a smaller client base than Marcum, helping this business grow has allowed me to better the exact community I am a part of. Being involved in this company, I have aided in meeting the needs of customers in my hometown of Naugatuck, CT. These customers are always grateful for our company providing them with the services they need to maintain their property at an affordable price. They often provide feedback and make their gratitude known to us. Being a part of the customer-service aspect of business has truly made a difference to my life and to the lives of those around me.

As a student, I have always known that pursuing business was the right career choice for me due to the organized structure of the career and the skillset needed to succeed. There was one thing, however, that stood out to me about business; the strong desire to grow. This proves true in all aspects of business, professionals are always striving to develop themselves and better the company they are a part of. Being a goal-oriented person with a strong growth-mindset I am passionate about business because I understand the potential for growth and development within the field, at a personal and organizational level.

Through academic achievement, I have earned enrollment into an accelerated dual-degree program that Quinnipiac offers in the School of Business. While this is an exceptional educational opportunity it does come with a financial cost. Being a first-generation student raised in a low-income household, there are not any funds to spare for a college education. Therefore, it has been up to me to earn funding for my education and pay for it on my own. This scholarship going towards my undergraduate degree will truly help me progress through my education with less financial burden, allowing me to place my finances in other areas that will allow me to grow and progress as an individual. I am very goal-driven, and being a college student my goals now are oriented around gaining the best education that I can and carrying that forward into a professional career. Going to college with less student-debt will allow me to start my professional career as a woman earlier and stronger in all aspects.