

ELIZABETH NGATIA

SPRING 2023 SIBBERSON FINALIST - COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

Elizabeth is graduating with a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science. She is a participant in the Law School Early Admissions Program and is pursuing a Juris Doctor degree at Washburn University School of Law. She looks forward to staying in the Midwest to practice law.

Elizabeth was president of the Pre-Law Club, a member of the Leadership Institute, a Resident Assistant for Residential Living, the Diversity and Inclusion Chair for Washburn Student Government Association, the Legislative Director for WSGA, and a member of We are 1st. Elizabeth has been recognized as a First Year Experience Scholar and on the President's Honors List all semesters.

Elizabeth completed a European capitals study abroad trip to the Netherlands, the United Kingdom and Belgium, with the Political Science Department. She expanded her knowledge of foreign governments visiting the parliaments of the UK, European, the Netherlands and the International Criminal Court at the Haag.

While at Washburn, Elizabeth has continued to be involved on campus while looking for ways to be involved in the community. As president of the Pre-Law Club, she worked to organize free Law School Admission Tests to provide real life experience to those students.

As Chairwoman for Diversity and Inclusion, drafting and organizing multiple resolutions celebrating various cultures. Elizabeth served as Washburn Student Government Legislative Director. In this role, she led the 2022 Higher Education Day that saw dozens of Washburn students lobby members of the Kansas Legislature for increased funding for the higher education budget for allocation of funding to the mental health budget during the COVID pandemic.

Elizabeth has earned the "Right Away and All At Once" Greg Brenneman Series Scholarship, American Business Women Scholarship, Washburn Leadership Institute Scholarship, John Arnett Political Science Scholarship, Kansas Ethnic Minority Scholarship, Geneva Seybold Endowment, several WEA scholarships, and the Leslie & Wilma Foster Scholarship.