

## FOWLER SCHOLARS NEWSLETTER

APRIL 2023

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**Brady's Thoughts:** This issue features a number of achievements and job/internship offers as we celebrate the Fowler Scholars nearing the end of another successful school year. We also feature our fourth and final Senior Spotlight where I have the unique opportunity to personally update you all on what I've been up to and take a look back at how the program has impacted me. Lastly, we tease an exciting trip to Petco HQ coming up on April 12. *Brady Burcin*

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**Azareel Canizales** has turned his internship with Manpower San Diego into a full-time job upon graduation. He recently received an award from the Coronado Rotary club for starting an Interact club at the Barrio Logan College Institute. He also received a Society of Human Resource Management (SHRM) award for holding three officer positions in consecutive semesters - San Diego SHRM Liaison, College of Business Council Representative, and Alumni Relations Director.



**Natalie Soriano** accepted a job offer with EY, where she will work as an Assurance Staff later this year. Natalie also had the opportunity to sing the National Anthem and SDSU Alma Mater during the 2022 New Student and Family Convocation at Viejas Arena.



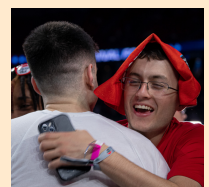
**Brady Burcin** will be recognized as an outstanding graduate by the San Diego chapter of Financial Executives International, an honor awarded to just 12 graduates yearly. He also has accepted a full-time offer from EY in the tax service line.



**Karl Hedberg** has accepted an offer from Suntria for an internship this summer. He will have the opportunity to develop his skill set by performing solar panel sales for the company.



**Rhys Aiem** is a student manager with SDSU men's basketball team, working all games and practices - including traveling with the team to the Final Four. He also interns with the SDSU Athletics marketing department, covering games across multiple sports.



**Cooper Craven** interned with the YMCA of Metropolitan Los Angeles, helping run their Youth & Government program where he advised a group of high school students as they learned about the legislative process, wrote a bill, and presented it to their peers in a model legislature. He also spearheaded the voter registration campaign at SDSU, registering over 500 students to vote and promoting civic engagement as a whole on campus.



**Brian Martinez** will be participating in Stifel's Sophomore Explorers Program which is meant to train students and prepare them for a Junior-year summer internship at the firm. Stifel Financial Corp. was recently named "Investment Bank of the Year" by M&A Atlas Awards.



**Katherine Tat** interned at Paragon Accountants over the 2022 summer and fall semesters. She said that it was a "great hands-on experience that allowed [her] to develop both soft and technical skills through bookkeeping and working with clients." She also currently serves on the executive board of the Asian Business Association at SDSU as their secretary.



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Major: Accounting



One of my earliest and favorite memories I have of the program was finding out that I was one of the very few applicants that had been accepted into the program. On College Decision Day of my senior year in high school, my class was interrupted by my principal and Dean Lance Nail, Assistant Dean Kristie Dock, and Director of the Fowler Scholars Peter Shaw all walked in. They brought me into a program that would provide incredible opportunities, build my ethical business leadership skills, and help transition my academic career into a professional career.

Four years later, I have now interned with EY twice and spent the last two years assisting with SDSU's entry-level accounting class - including teaching my own class twice a week for the past year. Now, I am set to graduate in May with a Master's in accounting and will shift my attention to starting my career at EY soon after.

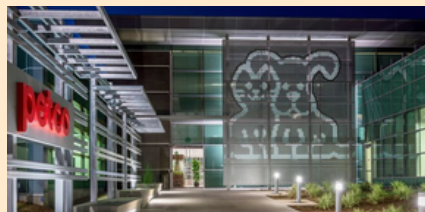
While there have been countless experiences that I could highlight to showcase the unique impact the Fowler Scholars Program has had, none fit better than one that came during my first year. During a donor appreciation dinner, I was exposed to some of the greatest business people in San Diego. I met Ron Fowler, the man who set this whole thing in motion, and was seated with Mark Lindner - current Director of the program - and his wife, Debbie. That is an experience and opportunity few others are ever fortunate enough to have - and I had it as a 17-year old freshman.

With such tremendous opportunity comes a tremendous number of people to thank. Too many, unfortunately, to thank here individually. However, I would like to offer my thanks to everyone who has supported this program and its students in any way since its inception. The efforts and contributions of those who have worked so hard and offered so much to make this program possible do not go unnoticed or underappreciated. I only hope that I can live up to the Fowler Scholars name and pay forward the generosity of the program's supporters when I am able.

## PETCO HEADQUARTERS VISIT

April 12th

- 10:00 - 10:30 Tour of Petco Headquarters
- 10:30 - 11:30 Panel Featuring Petco Leaders
- 11:30 - 12:30 Lunch with Key Executives



Fowler Scholars will have the chance to meet and interact with Petco's CEO, CMO, COO, and CSO along with a number of VP's and members of senior management!

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Be sure to use the links below to check out our social media and seek out additional information about the program. Also, click on the names of the featured student and guest speakers to be redirected to their LinkedIn profiles.

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