



Giving MATTERS

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Major: Hotel and Restaurant Management, College of Business

Involvement: President, The National Society of Minorities in Hospitality. I took on the role as president to better my leadership and management skills. The organization allows students across the country to come together to learn the value of bringing a diverse workforce into the hospitality industry. We participate in workshops held by industry professionals and learn proper etiquette and professionalism for our future careers, and we represent the University of New Haven. Importantly, we as a chapter participate in various community service activities to show our thanks.

Plans for the future: From my internship experiences, I know I would enjoy working in the event planning area of the hospitality industry. I also hope to one day plan weddings. I have a true passion for the hospitality industry and I believe it offers a variety of great opportunities. I can only hope that in my future the passion only grows greater.

Why she is grateful: Students are grateful for alumni donations. They allow us to further our education by easing some of the financial burden. They increase our self-esteem, which can positively affect our grades. And they provide many additions to our University that academically and socially enrich our everyday lives. Donations funded the Samuel S. Bergami Learning Center for Finance and Technology, which has increased Business students' opportunities for hands-on experiences.