MAKENZIE BROSA FALL 2023 SIBBERSON FINALIST SCHOOL OF NURSING

Makenzie is graduating with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing. She plans to work in the Birthplace at Stormont Vail where she will specialize in maternal child nursing after completing her Capstone clinical in the same department. In the future, she plans to specialize in maternal and child nursing.

Makenzie was a member of Zeta Tau Alpha where she served as the Service Chair and Alumni Relations Chair from 2020-2021, Vice President from 2021-2022, and the Judicial Chair from 2022-2023. Makenzie created opportunities for members to serve the Topeka community by making holiday cards for local nursing home residents, constructing dog toys for the Helping Hands Humane Society and participating in the Rose River Memorial project. As Vice President, she coordinated the chapter's member recruitment efforts. Makenzie was the recipient of the 2021-2022 Sorority Member of the Year Award.

While in the School of Nursing, she assisted with health screenings at Sheldon Head Start, helped members regain their health in the WU Wellness center, and participated in providing suggestions to improve patient care and outcomes for Holton Community Home Health. She was on the President's List of Honorees seven semesters and served as a tutor for first level students in 2022-2023.

For her Scholarly and Creative Washburn Transformational Experience and her Nursing Honors project, she researched ways to expand parental knowledge surrounding emergency preparedness. This allowed her to illustrate the benefits and importance of implementing evidence-based education with a goal of reducing the infant mortality rate in Shawnee county.

Makenzie received a Washburn General Scholarship, the Alumni Association WEA Scholarship, the Culver Memorial Scholarship, the KS Nursing Outside Service Scholarship, the Latter Nursing Scholarship, the Burton Scholarship, the Goff Nursing Scholarship, the Dodson Scholarship, the Sylvester Skoch Nursing Scholarship, and the Edward & Eileen McClintock Scholarship.