

Senior Spotlight 2021-22



LAURA BARRETT

Bred a Buckeye
- Born to be a
Boilermaker

Hometown: Rockford, Ohio

Major & Concentration: Applied Agricultural Economics and Agriculture Communication

Minors or Certificates: Global Foods Systems, Data Storytelling

Why did you come to Purdue: For the best return on investment because it would provide valuable experiences, reputable education and a growth encouraging environment making me a more well-rounded person preparing me for my next steps in life.

Favorite Purdue tradition: Sledding down Slayter hill

Top three influences at Purdue(people, ideas, experiences):

1. Dr. Russell
2. Dr. Wilson
3. AFA

Top five memories of your time at Purdue:

1. Rushing the field on October 3, 2018 when Purdue beat Ohio State (my parents alma mater)
2. Purdue/IU games in Mackey Arena
3. Waiting in line for Crazy Monkeys shows
4. Visiting Washington DC with the Ag Ambassadors
5. Studying abroad in Lima, Peru

Places you have been as a Purdue student:

- Study abroad in Lima, Peru/Andes Mountains/Amazon Rainforest
- Internships in LaPorte IN, Chicago IL and Washington DC
- Kansas City for AFA
- Washington, DC for Ag Ambassadors Leadership Summit
- Indy for the Alumni Fish Fry and National FFA Convention
- Iowa for John Deere Tours
- Donor dinners on campus

Favorite club/organization: Ag Ambassadors

Favorite Student-led event/initiative: BGR and Hammer down hunger

Favorite Purdue event: Basketball games in Mackey

Favorite Social Activity: Ag Admin Lawn events with free food!

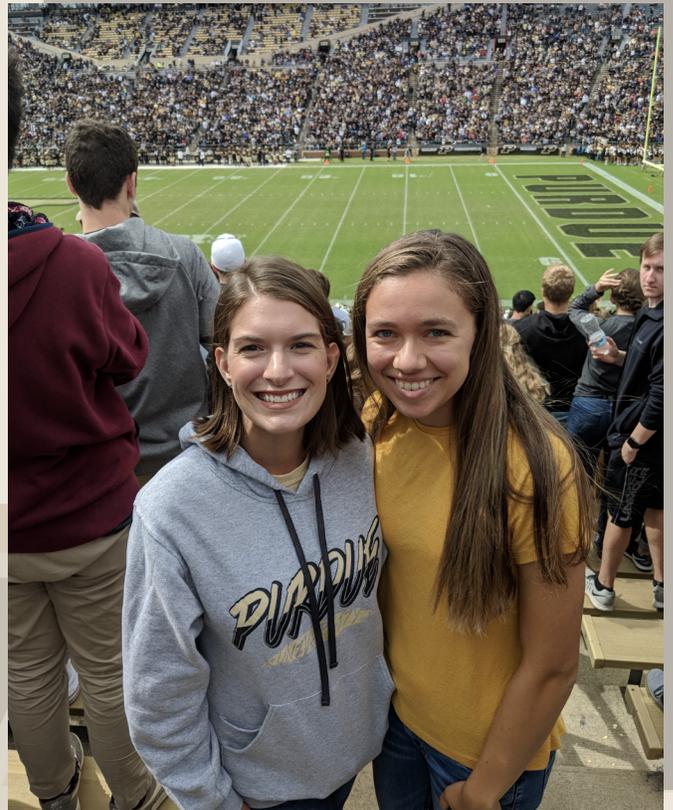
Favorite place to study: Creighton or HSSE

Favorite spot on campus: Engineering fountain, Hort park, views from the Jedi Council room or the Union murals

Favorite thing about CoA: The supportive community it creates and staff that wants to see you succeed.

Favorite thing about your major: The people!

Favorite class: ASEC 355



Favorite professor: Dr. Tucker

Cooler project: Covid Marketing Strategy evaluation for AGE 327 on my favorite Agritourism business Young's Dairy in Yellow Springs, Ohio

Three biggest accomplishments: ASEC outstanding senior, CoA Scholarships and Ag Ambassadors

Where do you want to end up: Wherever the good Lord has planned for me to be.

Advice for underclassman: Get out of your comfort zone and try something new! Get to know your professors. Study abroad. Get involved. You never know what's on the other side of a conversation.

Biggest takeaway from Purdue: Meeting some awesome people and having a lot of fun doing it!

