

My ultimate goal in life, ever since I was a little girl making stop motion movies in my bedroom and taking every acting class I could find, has been to be involved in the film and television industry in some way - any way. I love acting. I love screenwriting and video editing, and I have goals of getting to work in casting and as a producer someday. I found my love of acting when I was five and made my mom drag me to auditions for *Suessical the Musical* in Iowa City at Englert Theater, where I learned what being on stage felt like for the first time. I knew that I could never go a day without writing when I was three and would ask my mom to write down the storybooks I had in my head before I knew how. As I'm in this odd stage in life between childhood and full adulthood, I'm learning how to piece together all of these passions and goals into a feasible career. Muhlenberg has helped me tremendously, allowing me to pursue both a double major in Theater and Business, with an additional minor in Film Studies. I see Larry Singer Studios as my next step in piecing together the path to my career in the film and television industry.

I am hoping to find an internship in casting, because outside of being extremely interested in the world of casting, I think it would be a field I could bring a lot to with my scholarly background in Business, Acting, and Film Studies. Additionally, casting internship postings emphasize wanting skills such as organization, multitasking, and paying attention to detail, which has piqued my interest as well due to those being some of my main professional skills as an overly organized and scheduled person. Ultimately, I'd love to build connections in the industry to some day promote my screenwriting, and build up to being involved in all kinds of skill sets that bring me joy, like acting and film editing.

One of the main reasons I chose Muhlenberg College was its connection to the Larry Singer Studios program. I saw the classes it offered, as well as the internship experience in New York City, and at 17 I knew that it would be more valuable than anything any other College experience could offer me. At 21 I am learning that the program may be just what I need right now for another reason. Right before Covid I was feeling so confident in my acting abilities. I filmed a PPL commercial then was flown out to Phoenix to film as a large role on a television show being pitched to Netflix. During Covid, I lost opportunities to act in person, and the show was, so far, unsuccessful at getting off the ground. I came back to acting in person this year feeling rusty and less confident in my acting skills. I think outside of this program providing an outstanding opportunity to live, work, and study in New York City, it can provide me the ability

to get back in touch with a part of myself that was once everything to me - my passion for and confidence in acting. Taking several months to learn how to be a better actor and really study *Theater* is exactly what I need before graduating. If given the chance, I will put my all into this program to get everything I can out of it, in order to meet my career goals.