



**Bryce Fincher** was born and raised in Hope, Arkansas. She graduated from Southern Arkansas University in 2018 with her Bachelor of Science in Pre-Health Biological Sciences. During her time at SAU, she worked as a supplemental instructor for Quantitative Analysis and an undergraduate research assistant analyzing parasites in the digestive system of seabirds. She also served as the honor council goals coordinator for her sorority Sigma Sigma Sigma. Following graduation, she volunteered at First Choice Pregnancy Center and crisis text line while working a part time job. She enjoys traveling to new places, soaking up the sun, reading, and basketball.



**Jamiri Brown** was born and raised in Patterson, Louisiana. She graduated from the Louisiana State University-A&M in Baton Rouge, Louisiana where she majored in Biological Sciences and minored in Psychology. While at LSU, Jamiri performed breast cancer research with doctoral students to determine effective and non-invasive treatments. She also had volunteered for St. Jude's Stay Up Til Dawn fundraisers, Baton Rouge's Historic Flood Restoration Project, and other activities across the Baton Rouge area. In her free time, Jamiri loves to binge watch Netflix series, enjoy outdoor adventures, and most importantly, embrace new food and culture.



**Jake Ginter** is from the suburbs of Tulsa, Oklahoma, but spent part of his childhood living in Buchs, Switzerland. He graduated in 2019 from the University of Arkansas in Fayetteville, receiving a Bachelor of Science with a major in biology. Jake worked as a genetic researcher for two and a half years during his undergraduate studies, investigating interactions between chromatin remodeling complexes, the centromere, and ploidy. He was a founding member of the Beta Psi Omega professional biology fraternity at the U of A, and has been a volunteer for Crisis Text Line since July 2018. In his free time, Jake likes composing his own music, reading about politics, relaxing with his cat Jasper, and being surrounded by friends.



**Erin Hediger** is from St. Louis, Missouri and attended the University of Missouri in Columbia where she graduated in May of 2019 with a Bachelor of Science in Biological Sciences and a Certificate in Multicultural Studies. As an undergraduate, she used her experience as a cancer survivor to raise awareness for becoming a bone marrow donor and hosted two bone marrow registry drives on Mizzou's campus. Erin also worked as a Life Sciences Tutor for the University of Missouri Learning Center, tutoring genetics to undergraduate students. She was involved in Phi Mu Sorority, Mortar Board National Honor Society, and Beta Beta Beta Biological Honor Society. Through her enrollment in a cancer genetics research study, Erin had the opportunity to shadow genetic counselors at St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. She also attended the Newborn Screening Standing Committee and the Genetics Advisory Committee at the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services. In her free time, Erin enjoys spending time with her family, friends, and cat, singing, exercising, traveling, and re-watching The Office.



**Elizabeth Rothrock** Elizabeth Rothrock was born and raised in Springdale, Arkansas. She graduated from the University of Arkansas in 2019 with a Bachelor of Science in biology. She became interested in genetic counseling her sophomore year of college and knew it was the career for her after shadowing at Arkansas Children’s Hospital. During her time as an undergraduate, she was heavily involved in her sorority, Alpha Omicron Pi, as well as the Panhellenic Council. She also served as a Student Ambassador, a New Student Orientation Mentor, and was a member of the Biology Club. Elizabeth volunteered at the Northwest Arkansas Women’s Shelter, assisting clients & staff and answering the domestic violence hotline. During her free time, Elizabeth enjoys playing tennis,



**Caroline Statler Williams** grew up in Joplin, Missouri. She attended college at the University of Missouri and graduated with a BS in Biology in 2018. During her time at Mizzou, Caroline worked with the Department of Residential Life and was a member of the Tri-Beta Biological Honors Society. A member of a lab studying the evolution of life history traits, Caroline became interested in how the lab’s dietary experiment was impacting the microbiomes of the fruit fly subjects. She finished her project in the summer of 2018 with the help of funding from the Cherng Scholars program. In her free time, Caroline enjoys baking, hiking, and playing nerdy games with friends.



**Brayden West** is a native of Mississippi. He graduated from Mississippi College in 2017 with a Bachelor of Science in Biology and a minor in Graphic Design. It was during college that he developed a passion for genetics, working in the genetics laboratory within the Biology department. Additionally, while attending college, Brayden served as the Vice President of the Student Government Association, worked as a student assistant in Admissions, and volunteered for several community organizations. Upon his graduation, Brayden was employed at Children's of Mississippi as a genetic counseling assistant (GCA), where he was responsible for coordinating genetic consultations in the NICU via telemedicine, triaging incoming patient referrals, and assisting with clinical workflows. It was during his time as a GCA that he further developed his interest in genetics and decided genetic counseling would be a perfect fit for him. In Brayden's free time, you can find him traveling to new places, reading nonfiction, and expressing his creativity through design.