

MEET DANIELLE HERTZ, OHIO STATE SENIOR

“I was raised by a single mother in Springfield who valued hard work. I dove into school and extracurricular activities and graduated as class valedictorian.

But my dream of being the first in my family to graduate from college seemed remote. We were surviving on \$18,000 in unemployment benefits after mom was laid off from her long-time factory job. She pursued additional job training through our local community college. I applied for every possible scholarship and financial aid.

Imagine how stunned I was when Ohio State offered me a four-year, full-ride scholarship.

Today, mom works as a sign language interpreter. I study English and Strategic Communication, earning a 3.75 GPA. It may seem obvious, but I am deeply grateful for the opportunities made available to me. My dreams are now in reach.”



LAST SCHOOL YEAR, 82 PERCENT OF BUCKEYES RECEIVED FINANCIAL AID, WITH AN AVERAGE GRANT AWARD OF \$2,311. TUITION AT OHIO STATE REMAINS ONE OF THE LOWEST AMONG SELECTIVE ADMISSIONS INSTITUTIONS IN THE STATE.

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