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KYLIE LYNN FOSTER

Los Angeles native Kylie Foster is a fourth-year undergraduate student with candidacy for a B.S. Public Health, minors in Criminal Justice and Communications, and a micro-minor in Health Equity from Los Angeles, California. With these intersecting degrees, Kylie aspires to a lifelong career in health policy reform - working with organizations and federal stakeholders to implement sustainable change throughout every structural and social determinant of health and disease. More specifically, Kylie is passionate about dismantling the infant and maternal mortality rates among African American mothers and those with leading fertility disorders such as PCOS and endometriosis. Foregoing her graduation in 2023, Kylie will be pursuing her Master's of Public Health with a concentration in Health Policy and Law.

HOPE RWAGA

Hope Rwaga is a second-year undergraduate student from Gaithersburg, Maryland. She is majoring in Public Health with a Pre-Medicine concentration and a minor in Bioinformatics. She is interested in health equality and determining strategies to provide efficient healthcare to children in low-income communities and countries. With her minor in Bioinformatics, she plans on using biological data to see the impact and trends on children's health due to the quality of care they receive. Post-graduation, Hope intends to pursue her medical degree and become a pediatrician. With this, she hopes to ensure that children from low-income families and communities, especially in Uganda, are provided the care they need to have a long and healthy life.



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HEATHER MOTTA

Heather Motta is a first year undergraduate student from Los Angeles, California and is majoring in Public Health. Her interests include but are not limited to, learning about ways to bridge the barriers that prevent women and children from living healthy lives. In the future, Heather wants to go into health policy and nonprofit work.

EDEN WAKIWEYA

Eden Wakiweya is a fourth year student from Atlanta, Georgia and originally from Ethiopia. She is majoring in Public Health with minors in Health Equity and Organizational Sciences. She is passionate about healthcare quality and safety, especially regarding MCH in Ethiopia and immigrant communities. After graduation, she hopes to pursue a Masters in Public Health to promote community and family health.



CATALINA DESOUZA

Catalina Desouza is a third year undergraduate student from Bethesda, Maryland. She is majoring in Public Health with minors in STEM Teaching and Business. She is interested in drafting health education materials and conducting research on youth in low-income areas. Catalina plans to attend graduate school to receive her MPH. She hopes to learn more about health policy while traveling.



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BUKOLA RINOLA

Bukola is a third-year BS/MPH student majoring in Public Health on the Pre-Medical track with a micro-minor in Health Equity. She is from Chicago, Illinois, and is interested in learning more about the interconnectedness between a mother's and her child's health, specifically the impact of a mother's mental illness on child development. Bukola plans to attend medical school to become a pediatrician. She also hopes to start her own clinic in her home country, Nigeria.

BAILEY MOORE

Bailey Moore is a second year undergraduate student from Washington, DC. She is majoring in Public Health on the Pre-Medical track with a minor in Human Services and Social Justice and a micro-minor in Health Equity. She believes in dismantling the structural and systematic components of MCH that perpetuate inequities and disparities that disproportionately impact the reproductive health of Black women. She plans to receive an MPH and attend medical school to become an obstetrician-gynecologist. With her degrees, she hopes to open a holistic birthing center while incorporating naturopathic techniques to give women, especially Black women, the childbirth experience and outcomes they deserve.



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ASHLYN CANO

Ashlyn Cano is a third year undergraduate student from Chicago, Illinois. She is majoring in Exercise Science with a concentration in Pre-Medicine and a minor in Public Health. Ashlyn is passionate about patient safety and healthcare quality. She hopes to learn more about disparities in the field of obstetrics as well as language barriers to care. She is also interested in global maternal and child health, especially in Mexico. Ashlyn plans to attend medical school and become an obstetrician-gynecologist.

BLAKE MADISON COLEMAN

Blake Madison Coleman is a first year undergraduate student majoring in Public Health on a Pre-Medical track. From Washington, DC, Blake is interested in gaining clinical experience in the field of MCH as well as to work with communities that are impacted by health disparities. She plans to attend medical school and work in a field that focuses on maternal and child health and that places an emphasis on holistic care for women and their children.

