We are excited to announce the inaugural class of Pathways Scholars for the 2016-17 academic year. Thanks to the generous financial sponsorship of Motorists Mutual Insurance and Wendy’s Quality Supply Chain Co-operative, each of 8 freshwomen entering Fisher/Ohio State will receive $2,500 scholarships. This group will participate in a series of events designed to introduce them to supply chain concepts and how leading companies achieve advantage through their supply chains. The scholars will also receive one-on-one coaching/counseling from a mentor at either Motorists or Wendy’s, as well as coaching from the Ohio State Faculty leaders. We will be organizing 8 – 12 events throughout the coming academic year and are looking for companies to volunteer time to present on their sc initiatives and/or host the group at their facilities. If you are interested in participating in this program, please contact either Ken Boyer or Mi Kyong Newsom.

We will be writing monthly newsletters, posts and sharing with interested parties. For now, please read below to learn a bit about our first class of Pathways Scholars.

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Welcome scholars!
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Chloe Felice – Mars, PA

Chloe Felice was born a Buckeye at the OSU Hospital in Columbus, Ohio. Both of her parents attended Grad School at Ohio State, and her older sister is going to be a senior this year. Chloe has wanted to attend OSU for as long as she can remember, not only because of her family’s great experience here, but also because of how nice the campus is and for all the excellent academic opportunities available. She is planning on majoring in Real Estate because she has always had an interest in designing and selling houses. Part of her interest in Real Estate came from the fact that Chloe has moved about seven times in the course of her life due to her dad’s job at Nationwide Insurance. Besides Columbus, she has lived in Nashville, Tennessee; Fayetteville, North Carolina; and Cary, North Carolina. Chloe currently lives in Mars, Pennsylvania, which is located about 45 minutes outside of Pittsburgh. She has three siblings: Caroline, 20 years old, Jack, 14 years old, and Claire, 11 years old. She has two dogs named Max and Ruby, and they are Bichon-Havanese mixes. Some of Chloe’s interests involve music. Not only does she like to listen to pop and alternative music, but she also really loves to go to concerts. She has seen Josh Groban, Charlie Puth, Billy Joel, MKTO, One Direction, 5 Seconds of Summer, and more artists live. In addition, she played the Tenor Saxophone throughout High School in both Concert and Jazz Band. Chloe has been taking Guitar lessons for several months now and finds it to be an enjoyable and relaxing hobby. She took dance classes for 14 years of her life and did a variety of genres including: Ballet, Tap, Jazz, Hip Hop, Pointe, Lyrical, and Contemporary. She also did Competitive Dance for several years and found it to be challenging and fun. Her favorite book series is the Harry Potter series, but she also likes to read realistic fiction or mysteries. Her favorite television channel is HGTV, where she watches shows like House Hunters and Property Brothers. Chloe is really looking forward to spending the next four years back “home” at Ohio State and is honored to have the opportunity to take part in the Pathways program.

Charlotte Fore – St. Louis, MO

I am thrilled to attend Ohio State University this fall and become a buckeye! I have lived in St. Louis for the vast majority of my life (except for a brief, year-long period when I lived in California). While I will always adore my hometown, I am excited to start life in Columbus. In St. Louis I have spent my time working as a clerk for the City of Crestwood’s Parks and Recreation department and as a concession stand employee at my town’s local pool. Throughout high school I served as president of my school’s CHADS (Communities Healing Adolescent Depression and Suicide) Ambassador’s Program and as secretary of my DECA chapter. In my free time I enjoy playing ukulele, going to see musicals, spending time with my friends, traveling, and reading. As the oldest of four kids, I am also very close with my family. Although none of my relatives before me have attended Ohio State, the school’s immense spirit and excellent business school drove me to apply. After visiting campus I knew that OSU was the right fit for me, and that it would best prepare me for my future.
“You miss one hundred percent of the shots you don’t take” is a quote I have lived by my entire life and accurately describes me. This quote guides me to take advantage of all the opportunities that come my way and it reminds me that I cannot succeed if I do not try.

I am a graduate of Rosary High School, an all girl’s Catholic college preparatory school in Aurora, Illinois. Attending Ohio State, with a class of about seven thousand, will definitely be a change from my graduating class of eighty-four, but I am looking forward to it as an amazing growing and learning experience. The reason I was first attracted to OSU, was because of the infectious school spirit. Last year, my family and I attended an Ohio State football game and I realized that the enthusiasm the students and fans shared was something my small high school lacked.

At Rosary, I was the four-year president of The Future Business Leaders of America, and member of Dominican Preachers, National Honor Society, Foreign Language Honors Society and Mu Alpha Theta. With my broad range of passions, I am eager to participate in the many diverse activities Ohio State has to offer. Throughout high school I was a four-year varsity golfer and a member of the downstate team in 2013, and I hope to continue my love of golf in college. My proudest achievement is as President and Founder of The Bookworm Foundation of Kane County, where we collect donated children’s books from the community and distribute them to children and school programs in need. This has been a fulfilling experience for me, as service is a fundamental pillar of my life. I recently formed a partnership with Goodwill Industries and plan to continue my foundation at Ohio State, helping the children of Columbus and the surrounding areas. The Ohio State University has the educational and social opportunities I need to be successful in my career while continuing my involvement in the community.

The choice to leave my family and friends behind in Illinois to experience something completely new and adventurous is a once in a lifetime experience that I am thankful to have. By taking my shot at Ohio State, and giving it my all, I know there will be endless opportunities in my future.

My name is Mackenzie McMullen and I am from the Sycamore School District about 20 minutes outside of Downtown Cincinnati, home of the Cincinnati Reds, Bengals, and Graeter’s Ice Cream. I have lived here all of my life and have survived many vibrant autumns, frigid winters, and humid summers. I grew up in an adventurous family of five with two younger sisters, Megan (16) and Sarah (13). As a family, we enjoy going on vacation, biking, kayaking, playing board games, and watching movies.

In addition to the activities that we like to do as a family, I enjoy all things sports, reading, running, cooking, swimming, and art. Being a four sport varsity athlete, I have always been on the move and have had to balance both academics and athletics. My love for swimming started at the age of seven. Soon after, I joined two different year-round swim teams over the course of my teenage years traveling all over the Midwest to compete against the top ranked swimmers in the region. I began playing lacrosse in 5th grade and played with the same group of girl through high school. After a challenging season my sophomore year of high school, our varsity team won the State Championship! It was amazing to see how our hardwork and dedication as a team paid off.

At the conclusion of my senior year, I graduated Summa Cum Laude with High Honors and was awarded the Archie Griffin Sportsmanship Award. This award is special for me seeing as Archie Griffin is a highly decorated former Ohio State running back and I had made my decision to attend Ohio State long before receiving this award. There are several reasons why I chose to attend Ohio State. First, Ohio State has a top ranking, internationally recognized business school with programs including high rankings in SC Management & Logistics, Production & Operations Management, Finance and Accounting. Second, I wanted a university that challenged me academically in addition to providing a variety of opportunities academically, athletically, and professionally. Finally, I was looking for a school with a large amount of school spirit and students with a passion for their university. In my opinion, no other school has as much school spirit as Ohio State; especially when it comes to football. I can hardly wait to start my freshman year at Ohio State!
Megan Myers – Sandusky, OH

Born and raised in the small lakefront town of Sandusky, Ohio, I grew up loving all things water related. I learned to waterski at the age of three and in the summer if I am not working, you will likely find me jet-skiing, wake-boarding, swimming, or sitting on the dock of our family’s lake cottage. Sandusky is also home to Cedar Point Amusement Park which breaks records with some of the tallest and fastest rollercoasters in the world! Never one to turn down a challenge, I have ridden all but this year’s newest coaster. My parents, Jennifer and Bill Myers, have always inspired me to try new things (rollercoasters included) and have helped me grow into the woman I am today by offering me endless opportunities and guidance. My younger brother, Sam, will be a sophomore at Perkins High School and amazes me with his athletic ability in soccer and baseball. Throughout my high school career I participated in golf, cheerleading, and was a member of a competitive cheer team. I am passionate about volunteering and was involved in numerous service and leadership clubs including Aim for Excellence where I was the marketing officer, National Honor Society, Pirates for Peers, and Peers Educating Peers, as well as had involvement with the Ohio Leadership Institute. I have accumulated over 175 volunteer hours and dedicated most of my time to working with children with special needs, including coaching a special needs cheerleading team, which was one of the most rewarding things I have ever done. Traveling is another passion of mine, and I am hoping to combine my love for exploring new places and my enthusiasm for business into a study abroad experience at Ohio State. The Fisher College of Business at The Ohio State University was my top college choice from the moment I first visited. Already knowing that I wanted to pursue a career in business, the opportunities and resources that are offered at Ohio State seemed limitless. The Fisher College of Business is top ranked, and I believe it is recognizable all over the world. The strong alumni connections, along with the location in the thriving city of Columbus, convinced me that there is no better place to achieve my future aspirations of entering the business world. I am very enthusiastic about new challenges and could not be more thrilled to begin my next chapter at The Ohio State University this upcoming fall.

Hannah Richardson – Chagrin Falls, OH

As friends and family alike can attest, I refuse to leave even a second of my day unplanned. To me, a successful day begins no later than 7 a.m.; the best days usually include me eating a meal out of my car as I drive across town, trying to keep up with my busy schedule. This arguably unique opinion of mine led me to seek out all forms of involvement at my high school in Chagrin Falls, Ohio (just outside of Cleveland). Cross Country, Business Club, Girl Scouts, and the Political Action Committee were just some of the outlets I sought out to fill my time. Through these involvements, and the help of some fantastic teachers, I discovered a passion for business that made deciding to study the field an incredibly easy choice. The path that led me to attend The Ohio State University is certainly not the traditional one. As I began my college search, OSU fit none of my carefully selected criteria. It was too close to home, too big, and I didn’t know the first thing about football - I still don’t. However, at the urging of my parents (and my high school’s unspoken rule that every student applies to Ohio State) I sent in my application. When I visited the campus for the first time, I was immediately struck with the impression that I had found the perfect school. Everything about Ohio State, from its focus on student success to the Chipotle just across the street, suddenly encompassed everything that I wanted in a school.

Being the oldest of three girls in my family, the path to college has been one of great learning and even greater note taking from my observant mother who hopes to be much more knowledgeable when my sisters begin the same process. While I couldn’t rely much on my family for actual guidance, their support through late night essay writing, college visit road trips, and anxious days of constantly checking the mailbox was just as valuable. I feel lucky every day to have been born into a family that supports me through every endeavor and celebrates every success with me.

When my schedule allows, I can be found online shopping, dreaming up new recipes for my Vitamix, or catching up on some much needed sleep. I am thrilled to tackle my next adventure at the Ohio State University this fall and am certain that I will find no shortage of outlets through which to fill my schedule. Go Bucks!
Claire Thompson – Delphos, OH

From the small town of Delphos, Ohio, I am far from familiar with the hustle and bustle of the big city. I graduated from a class of 81 students and knew most of my teachers personally. Many of them knew me before I even entered high school because of my brother, and my dad before him. I had the opportunity to be involved in almost all of the student organizations at the school and took advantage of them, getting to know each and every member and position. Despite my familiarity with small town living, I could not be more excited to attend The Ohio State University in our state’s capitol city.

While college may be a new experience for me, cheering on the buckeyes is not. My parents met as students at The Ohio State University and growing up, my favorite outfit was my OSU cheer uniform. I look forward to being a part of one of the largest student sections in college football. As well as being fans of Ohio State, my family loves football in general. I will be joining my older brother Ross in Columbus as he plays football for the Ohio Dominican Panthers.

I do enjoy watching sporting events; however, I find greater joy in participating myself. In high school I was on both the volleyball and softball teams and love to play any sort of competitive game when given the chance. I look forward to the wide variety of students at Ohio State to teach me an array of new games. Contrarily, I sometimes crave a comfy seat and a good book. I love the energy in athletics but am also content in solitude.

It is no surprise that I was considering Ohio State in my college search, but the more I looked into the specifics of the campus, I knew it was the place for me. I love the opportunities of the big city but also the small groups I have the choice to be involved in. Even with such a large population of students, I can still be an individual from a small town at The Ohio State University.

Amy Zucker – Fremont, CA

Amy was born and raised in Fremont, CA, in the San Francisco Bay Area. Therefore, it only makes sense that she is a hardcore SF Giants fan and has never seen snow fall. She has two older brothers, one who lives in Nashville and one who is a senior at Arizona State. Amy has a little sister who is a sophomore in high school. The Zucker family is very close and enjoys playing competitive board games and frequent visits to the beach.

Amy’s hobbies include swimming, playing volleyball, reading, and, most of all, dancing. She has been dancing since she was two and enjoys tap, lyrical, jazz, and ballet. Tap dancing is by far her favorite. She will often be tapping through the aisles at grocery stores or underneath her desk at school. In addition, Amy has had the amazing experience of teaching youth dance, as well as teaching swim lessons and working at the local waterpark.

The Ohio State University first appealed to Amy because of the Operations Management major within the business school. After her first visit, Ohio State stood out because of the countless academic opportunities. In addition, the Fisher College of Business, with twelve specializations and quality career/internship services was impressive. Amy is excited to explore all Ohio State has to offer as far as clubs, intramurals, and sporting events. Furthermore, she looks forward to exploring a new state and the city of Columbus, experiencing a change in seasons, being in a swing state during an election year, and beating Michigan.