

UCCS Honors Alumni Spotlight, Amanda Bagwell

❖ Who has motivated you the most?

➤ The people who have motivated me the most are *my parents and my best friend*. From the start my parents have always been supportive of me continuing with my education. Even after I switched majors my freshman-year they were still excited for me. They were there through the tough classes and the tears shed, but they were also there to witness me moving out on my own and celebrate with me. My best friend, Kyli, has been there for me starting clear back at orientation. She saw how hard it was for me getting used to a city life and helped me become more confident in the decisions I was making. She stuck by my side through everything and I see this friendship lasting a life time. I want to say thank you to all three. They mean the world to me and I know for a fact I wouldn't have such a great life without them. I love your guys!

❖ What are your upcoming plans?

➤ I do plan on going to graduate school. I want to become a licensed marriage and family counselor, and to do that requires getting a Masters. After I have accomplished that I plan on traveling Europe and maybe even more of the world. I do want to live outside of Colorado for a bit just to see what it is like and then probably move back because I love it so much.

Amanda best describes her feeling while going through college with great words;
"Some days she has no idea how she'll do it. But every single day, it still gets done."



Congratulation on graduating and best wishes for your next adventure!