## **2020 Women's Empowerment Initiative Mentors**

### **Madison Brough**

Hi! My name is Maddie Brough. I am a sophomore at the Leeds School of Business and I'm currently emphasizing in finance and marketing. I love CU and I can't wait to talk to you about everything I've learned!

### **Laurie Chien**

Hi, my name is Laurie and I am a sophomore at Leeds! I plan on studying Marketing and Real Estate, with a minor in Technology, Arts, and Media. I am involved in the Diverse Scholars Program, the Dean's Leadership Fellows, and the Women's Empowerment Initiative here at CU! I grew up in Southern California and I moved to Colorado about six years ago. I love being outside and enjoying the sunshine with friends and family! I also have a yellow lab, named Skippy, who I absolutely adore! In my free time, I love going out to see a movie, going out for dinner, or having a chill night at home! Another fun fact about me is that every time I go on a vacation, I always spend at least one night outside watching the sunset. I'm really looking forward to being a mentor and to building a genuine connection with my mentee! The transition to college was daunting for me, but I want to help make it easier and much less daunting for my mentee. I am so excited to be a source of support to my mentee and to really help them feel more comfortable navigating the new college life!



## **Calista Christiansen**

Hi! My name is Callie Christiansen! I am currently a sophomore at the Leeds School of Business. I will be studying either Marketing or Management for my area of emphasis, as I have not yet decided which one. I am pursuing a minor in Spanish and a certificate in Leadership. I am native to Colorado and grew up in Littleton. My interests include hanging out with friends, hiking, and baking. I am involved in a sorority at CU Boulder and I love it! I absolutely love everything about CU Boulder and the Leeds School of Business and I can't wait to be a mentor for one of you!



#### Samantha Crocker

Hi! I'm Sammie Crocker. I'm from the San Francisco Bay Area in California. I love being outside and being active, which is why I was so excited to come to Boulder. I am a member of Chi Omega, which has been super fun. I love going out to eat, even though my wallet does not agree with that. I'm currently a sophomore, so I have not declared my emphasis yet, but I am looking towards doing a double emphasis in Finance and Information Analysis. I am also pursuing a minor in economics. Last year I competed and was a finalist in the Daniel's Ethics Case competition with a group of friends. I also had the opportunity to work as a Marketing Intern at Spectra Logic, a data storage company in Boulder.



# Tonia Haji

Hey! I am a sophomore in Leeds with an emphasis in Marketing and Finance. I am from Lakewood, Colorado. I am a part of Leeds Honors, Kappa Alpha Theta, Women in Business, and I have an oncampus job at the Admissions Office. I like to hang out with friends and try new things during my free time. I love participating in fun activities and meeting new people.



#### **Christina Heese**

Hi! My name is Christina and I am a sophomore studying Management and Political Science. At CU I am involved in a sorority, a member of the Crew team, and the Diverse Scholars Program. I love traveling, golf, and hanging out with friends. My goal as a mentor is to be be a resource and help you feel at home at CU!



# **Tracy Huynh**

I am an incoming sophomore. I'm a Colorado native from Highlands Ranch. I love all things pretty and insta-worthy (so if you know a cool place around lets gooo! I'm always down for an adventure). During the week I am a cross-of-the-list type of person. I like to get things done. On the weekends I like to watch Netflix, bullet journal, or walk around shops. I also try to workout at the gym...keyword try. Eating ice cream just sounds so much better ya know



\*Fun fact: I never played a sport until high school. I learned how to swim and play tennis in less than a month without knowing how to do either.

### **Emma Kochenderfer**

Hi! My name is Emma, and I moved to Boulder for my senior year of high school. I am a sophomore at Leeds, and I am currently perusing a dual area of emphasis in Marketing and Talent Management, as well as a Leadership certificate and a minor in Music and TAM (Technology, Arts, and Media). I am a Leeds Ambassador, a member of the Women in Business club, and the Director of Ralphie's Closet. I also am an intern in the Dean's suite in the Office of Advancement, and work at Celestial Seasonings (the tea company) on the weekends as a tour guide. Outside of school and work, I like to listen to and make music; take workout classes; watch TV and movies; and be active in the Boulder community—hiking, walking on Pearl, getting brunch, etc.!



### Jenna Martellaro

My name is Jenna Martellaro, and I'm from Pueblo, Colorado. I will be a sophomore this upcoming year, and I'm planning on choosing Marketing as my area of emphasis. I would love to work for Disney Parks someday or be involved in the fashion industry! I have been dancing since I was two years old, and I'm in a CU dance group that performs and hosts a competition! Outside of dance, I love to travel and see new places/try new things! I love listening to music, and if you ever see me walking around campus, I'm usually bopping my head to the music or dancing in some way.



# **Grace Ragan**

My name is Grace Ragan and I was born and raised in Denver, Colorado. I graduated from East High School in 2019 where I was a member of my school's varsity poms (dance) team for all 4 years. This coming fall, I will be a Sophomore at Leeds. I am currently planning on majoring in marketing and minoring in economics and technology, arts and media. Outside of class, I am a member of the Women in Business club, employed at Corepower yoga, have a pretty involved internship in marketing and a newly-started small business in social media management. I consider myself super laid back, outgoing, friendly, and easy to get along with. I love meeting new people and traveling when I can. I am also super interested in fitness, self-care and dance, even though I no longer do it competitively. I am really eager and excited to meet incoming freshman and begin helping them to get adjusted to life in college!



### **Vianne Schein**

Hi my name is Vianne and I'm from Denver, Colorado. I've played sports my whole life and my favorite professional sports team is the Philadelphia Eagles! I have two dogs back at home. I love to travel and explore new places! I plan to do a double emphasis in Finance and Real Estate. Within Leeds I am involved in the Women in Business Club and the Honors Program.



# **Hana Sigman**

Hi all! I am Hana Sigman, a sophomore here at Leeds and my area of emphasis is marketing. I am originally from a Hopewell, New Jersey, which is a town in the Princeton area. In my downtime, I enjoy hanging out with my friends, attempting to do some form of artwork, and listening to music. I also love to travel and horseback ride when I can. Since Coronavirus has unhinged most of my hobbies, I have assumed a new activity in my free time: napping. I hope everyone has tried to stay sane during this crazy time and I am excited to come back to campus in the fall!



### **Emma Sinelli**

Hi, my name is Emma Sinelli! I was born and raised in Denver, Colorado. I am currently planning on attaining a double emphasis in finance and management with a certificate in Business Leadership. I am also very involved in my social sorority, Kappa Alpha Theta. In my free time I love to play guitar, be outdoors, and cook! I also love to travel and plan to study abroad my Junior year. I had a mentor my freshman year and she was so welcoming helpful and I am hoping to do the same for my mentee!



#### **Kennedy Stephen**

Hi! My name is Kennedy Stephen and I am from Denver, Colorado. I am currently a sophomore and lived in the Cheyenne Arapaho RAP. My emphasis is undecided but I am leaning towards either Marketing or Accounting (or both!). I am also planning on getting the Global Business certificate and a minor in Media Studies. I love being outdoors, playing volleyball (I played intramural volleyball last year), and hanging out with friends. I am in a Greek sorority, the CU Bee Club, and Women in Business. I love watching good crime documentaries on Netflix and I also love



to travel, whether it be around Colorado or to another country. I also have two dogs Birdie and Buddha that I love! I know how nervous I was starting out my first year here at CU, and my mentor was able to support me tremendously – I hope to do the same:) I am excited to help my future mentee with their first year academically, socially, and fall in love with Boulder!

### **Zoe Starkoff**

Hi! My name is Zoe Starkoff and I will be a sophomore in Leeds this fall. As of now, I'm leaning towards Operations Management as my area of emphasis and I am also minoring in Spanish! I love to play with dogs, go on hikes, work out, and chill with friends in my free time. I am from Cleveland, Ohio so I love being so close to the mountains in Colorado. Some of my favorite shows include How I Met Your Mother, The Good Place, The Office, and almost any other comedy. Additionally, I am involved in Alpha Chi Omega and the Bee Club on Campus. I'm super friendly and am excited to meet new people (including my mentee) next year!

