

Featured Student - Cece Frisinger (PLC '13)

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*Major - Ecology & Evolutionary Biology
Intern at Greenwood Wildlife Rehabilitation Center*

A senior in PLC, Cece Frisinger is excited to use her experiences at CU to protect our planet. With a degree in Ecology and Evolutionary Biology and minors in Business and Leadership Studies, Cece hopes to take a gap year before moving to the East Coast for graduate school to pursue a degree marine biology. She hopes to spend time working with ocean dwelling species such as sea turtles, whose way of life has drastically changed due to global climate change.

Cece developed her passion for sustainability and wildlife protection during an internship/walkabout at the Greenwood Wildlife Rehabilitation Center, where she interned the summer after her sophomore year and then returned as a staff member this past summer. Through this opportunity she has taken care of animals like birds and raccoons, all while maintaining the goal to keep the animals wild. Though she has worked extensively with animals, her favorite part about the Greenwood Wildlife Rehabilitation Center is the people; “I love working with the volunteers and staff and hearing their inspirational stories,” she says.

Complimenting her mission to preserve the planet, Cece also enjoys exploring the world. Since studying abroad in Wollongong, Australia where she learned about marine biology, Cece has become a strong advocate for travel and the benefits it can bring. Her experiences traveling through Oceania forced to step outside of her comfort zone and confront different views and beliefs. Since then, she has decided she wants to travel to Southeast Asia upon graduation and explore a new part of the world. This winter Cece is backpacking the Na Pali Coast Trail in Hawaii – adding to her hiking accomplishments. She also explores locally and is proud of her recent summertime summit of Longs Peak. In her free time, Cece loves doing yoga, skiing, and making pottery and painting.

As a member of PLC, Kappa Kappa Gamma, Phi Beta Kappa Honors Society, and an employee at the Louisville Veterinary Clinic, Cece is involved with many different organizations. Though she has had a number of impactful experiences at CU, Cece is especially grateful for the community, professors, and connections PLC has given her. Not only did she acquire an internship with Impact on Education through the program, but this past summer PLC also sponsored her to attend the National Conference for College Women Student Leaders, an experience that provided her with a new ideas and perspectives.
