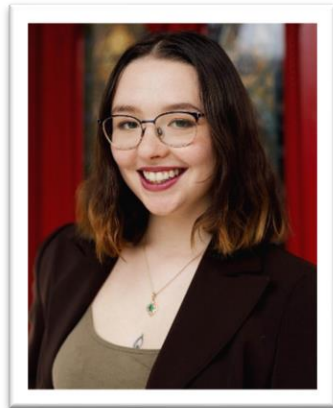


The Marilyn Schultz Memorial Endowed Scholarship

2023-2024 Student Recipient



Claire Lawrence

Senior, CLASS OF 2024

Hometown: Lakeway, TX

Major: Communication

What classes or extracurricular activities are you taking on this year, and how do you feel they're preparing you for life after graduation?

I have been heavily involved in the student-led publication *Hilltop Views* for my entire collegiate career. Being involved in this organization has prepared me in incredible ways for the journalism industry outside of college. It has also helped me land internships as a student that have then further taught me about the multi-faceted areas within the industry and how to approach them ethically and effectively. My time with *Hilltop Views* has also helped me grow connections alongside experience, and those connections have helped me gain acceptance into several graduate school programs where I can continue to build on my expertise and experience.

If you met your donor, what would you say to thank them for your scholarship?

I would like to thank you by emphasizing that if it wasn't for my grants and scholarships, like the one you've provided me, I would not be able to attend St. Edward's University. I have no outside help funding my degree; I take out loans, private and federal, to be able to afford college. Your generosity to students like myself and to departments at the university are doing more than funding college education, it's also funding student dreams. My dream is to complete college and become a journalist. And I wouldn't be able to do so without gifts like yours. Thank you!