

## **Lauren Crisci Is Pursuing MBA And Making Aerospace Plans**

*Lauren Crisci is a NCWA international scholarship recipient, former NCWA Alumni Association president and recent graduate of Florida State University. She also represented the NCWA at the World Affairs Councils of America conference in Washington DC three years ago.*

Here is Lauren's report to NCWA:

I am delighted to share exciting news about my new role and recent updates. Since being awarded the NCWA international scholarship for the Student Diplomacy Corps 2019 China Program and serving as president of the NCWA Alumni Association, I have learned many invaluable skills.

Last spring, I graduated magna cum laude from Florida State University in management information systems. During my time at FSU, I completed seven internships ranging from government, aerospace and big data. My most proud accomplishment is being named a finalist by Florida's executive branch on my airport modernization policy proposal as part of the Florida Gubernatorial Fellows Program. After graduation, my best friend and I road tripped from Tallahassee to San Diego, stopping in more than 13 states and six national parks. It was amazing to see the transition of geography, culture and climate across the U.S.

Currently, I live in San Diego, where I work on international supply chain policy for an aerospace company and am completing my MBA. The combination of geopolitics, supply chain and policy are a nice challenge. My weekends are spent on a sailboat racing team. Earlier this year we raced all the way to Ensenada, Mexico. This summer I am traveling to Nepal and the Annapurna Circuit. During my scholarship program to China's Tibetan region and after hearing Ambassador Verma's insights at a Council meeting, I have had a growing fascination with Tibet. I am excited to learn more about their culture, language and food.

Following my trip abroad, I will start a two-year leadership rotational with my current company. In this role, there are three eight-month rotations. Every eight months I will move to a new city or country and immerse myself into a new role and environment. In the future, I plan to return to public service within the international aerospace community. Words cannot express the gratitude I have for the School Outreach Committee. You all are giving students the opportunity of a lifetime to deeply discover passions, self-confidence and experience-based learning.

Thank you for all you do,  
Lauren Crisci