



Office of Student Affairs

April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2020

Ricki Haab

Dear Ricki:

Congratulations on being selected as a recipient for the Dean Robert Woods Student Life Award for 2020! We are pleased to recognize your hard work, diligence and commitment to campus life at Utica College.

Ricki, your accomplishments both academic and co-curricular are many and varied. A Health Studies/PT student, you have maintained a standard of academic excellence, earning a GPA in both your undergraduate and graduate courses that has earned you a place on the Deans Honors list every semester, including three semesters with High Honors. Your ability to multitask is evident in your academic achievement while maintaining a rigorous schedule as a student-athlete and a leader in many other areas, all with a cheerful disposition and an infectious smile,

We can begin with your involvement as a student-athlete. A two sport athlete in Women's Ice Hockey and Women's Field Hockey teams, you have represented Utica College with sportsmanship and skill, and extended your commitment to taking on a role as a member of the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee. Your leadership in other areas is demonstrated through your involvement with the Environmental Club, for which you founded and for which you serve as president, and UC's Health Studies Club. You continue to serve others both on campus through your work as a peer tutor in the Writing Center and in the community through your work with the Center for Family Life and Recovery, where you worked as a volunteer and mentor. Your work ethic and dedication speaks volumes for not only our sports programs but also the Physical Therapy program.

As significant as your accomplishments are, your nominators note that how you accomplish your goals is as important as what you have done at UC. An inclusive leader who values the contributions of others and engages their contributions in projects and in the classroom, you have been described as a true Renaissance woman who contributes to the affirming and engaging community that is valued at Utica College.

For all that you've done to encourage others to fulfill their potential and step up to support others, and for contributing in so many ways across campus, we thank you. Congratulations on your award!

Sincerely,

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