

Investing in the Future: Madelyn Hill, Macie Morris and Reygan Schrock Receive 2025-2026 CoBank Outstanding Student Scholarships

The Arthur Capper Cooperative Center (ACCC) in the Department of Agricultural Economics at Kansas State University is proud to recognize Madelyn Hill of Ponder, Texas, a senior in agricultural economics; Macie Morris of Butler, Missouri, a junior in agribusiness; and Reygan Schrock of Brookville, Kansas, a sophomore in agribusiness and animal sciences and industry, as the 2025-2026 CoBank Outstanding Student Scholarship recipients.

Madelyn Hill serves as a KSU College of Agriculture Ambassador and holds the leadership role of Vice President of Communications. She has had two international experiences. The first was a Stormberg Elangeni Safaris Internship on the Eastern Cape of South Africa. The second was a 6-month study abroad program at Lincoln University in Lincoln, New Zealand learning about carbon markets. Upon graduation, Madelyn plans to pursue a master's degree in agricultural economics and then work as a market analyst.

Macie Morris is actively involved as an executive member for the National Agribusiness Marketing Association team (NAMA) and attended the International Food and Agribusiness Management Association (IFAMA) conference in Brazil. She is a member of the KSU Agricultural Economics/Agribusiness Club and serves as the Public Relations Chair. She is also a member of Collegiate Farm Bureau. Macie completed a crop insurance internship with AgriSompo and has also interned for DSWA Public Accountants. After graduation she wants to work with farmers, helping them manage risks and grow their operations, either through crop insurance or ag lending. The Morris family is affiliated with Farm Credit Services.

Reygan Schrock is a member of K-State Block and Bridle Club and KSU Swine Interest Club. She was part of the 2024 KSU Animal Science Leadership Academy and volunteered at KSU's Junior Swine Producer's Day. She is community minded and was the first student to serve on the Brookville Community Foundation. Reygan works in the KSU Department of Agricultural Economics as the Business Manager student assistant and as a farmhand at Laas Lambs while going to school. She is also the owner of the Spring Creek Pumpkin Patch. Reygan gained experience with cooperatives by completing an internship at Pride Ag Resources in Dodge City, Kansas. Her projected career path is in agribusiness and animal nutrition. Reygan's father, John Schrock, is an employee of Pride Ag Resources.

“The CoBank Outstanding Student Scholarships are one way CoBank contributes to the education of future agricultural leaders, especially those with an interest in careers in finance or banking,” states

Professor Brian Briggeman, director of the Arthur Capper Cooperative Center. This scholarship has awarded \$134,125 through the ACCC cooperative scholarship program since 2006. To be eligible for a scholarship, students must be a sophomore, junior or senior in high academic standing in K-State's Department of Agricultural Economics at the time the scholarship is received. Preference is given to students who are studying agricultural economics or agribusiness, who have demonstrated an interest in pursuing a career in banking or finance, have taken accounting or finance classes and are residents in one of the following states: CA, CO, CT, IA, KS, KY, MO, MN, NE and TX. Continuing K-State students are encouraged to fill out the K-State scholarship application to be included in the university scholarship process.

The awarding of the CoBank Outstanding Student Scholarships is coordinated through the Arthur Capper Cooperative Center. "Additional contributions by those who want to support the purposes of cooperative scholarships are welcome," Dr. Briggeman said. They should be made payable to "KSU Foundation/ACCC" and sent to the Arthur Capper Cooperative Center, Department of Agricultural Economics, 305 Waters Hall, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 66506.

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About the Arthur Capper Cooperative Center

The Arthur Capper Cooperative Center is a public-private partnership in the Kansas State University Department of Agricultural Economics that provides research-based information, education and assistance to people with and interested in cooperative businesses, including cooperative members, directors, managers and employees. The Center also works with students and faculty at educational institutions, the general public and public officials as well as owners, directors, managers and employees of agribusinesses. <http://accc.k-state.edu/>

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