

KPF SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

Timothy Carney



Timothy Carney graduated with honors from Wichita State with a Bachelor's in Criminal Justice. His calling to public service began when he was young. While attending WSU he was also working full time as a Security Patrol Officer for Wichita Public Schools (USD 259).

Timothy then attended Washburn University School of Law. His first internship during law school was with the United States Attorney's Office for the District of Kansas. He spent his second summer as an intern with the Sedgwick County DA's Office. Following graduation Timothy plans to continue his path of public service.

Lindsie Ford



Lindsie Ford is in her second year at the University of Kansas School of Law. Following graduation she plans to pursue a career as a prosecutor. Lindsie is currently the President of the University of Kansas School of Law Public Interest Law Society. Lindsie is presently interning for the Douglas County Attorney's office working primarily on Child in Need of Care cases.

Her first dealings with the judicial system was volunteering for CASA in Payne County, Oklahoma. She then began her legal career as a paralegal. While receiving her paralegal certificate she volunteers with the Victims' Assistance Unit of the Johnson County, Kansas District Attorney's office. It was there that she realized her passion for assisting crime victims and advocating on their behalf.

Audrey Koehler



Audrey Koehler is a student at Washburn University School of Law. With her mother working as a teacher and her father serving in the Kansas National Guard, Koehler first became interested in public service at a young age and has volunteered with many organizations over time, including: United Way, Big Brothers Big Sisters, the Lord's Diner, and the Harbor House.

After growing up in Wichita, Koehler attended Wichita State University where she earned a B.A. in Sociology with minors in Psychology and Criminal Justice. Prior to starting at Washburn, Koehler worked for two years as a Crisis Case Manager at COMCARE of Sedgwick County. At Washburn, Koehler is a member of the Washburn Law Journal, works as a research assistant for a Washburn Law professor, and is a Pro Bono Certificate Candidate. This summer, Koehler will be working at the Sedgwick County District Attorney's Office and eventually hopes to serve as a federal prosecutor in the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of Kansas.

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Ashley McGee



Ashley McGee is in her last semester at Washburn University School of Law. Her journey into law began with several internship and volunteer opportunities. The first being with CASA working with Child in Need of Care cases. Following her time at CASA she spent time working with victims of domestic violence victims and assisted batterers in taking accountability for their actions.

Last summer Ashley began a year-long internship at the Lyon County Attorney's Office where she plans to stay on as an Assistant County Attorney following graduation.

Monica Sosa



Monica Sosa is from Wichita and currently attending the University of Kansas School of Law. She holds a Bachelors and Masters in Criminal Justice from Wichita State University. Monica served as the Criminal Justice Student Association President during her time at WSU.

Ms. Sosa is a fluent Spanish speaker and hopes to use this skill to help victims and prosecute criminals where there is a language barrier. Monica currently works at KU Legal Services for Students as a Legal Intern providing free supervised legal services for KU students. After law school she plans to remain in Kansas to practice in the public service realm.

Samantha Yianitsas



Samantha Yianitsas is a May 2018 graduate of the University of Kansas School of Law. She is from rural Texas and has personal experience with the needs of legal services to small rural communities. This was one of the main reasons she decided to attend KU Law School as they offer a rural and solo practice program.

During law school Samantha was a student intern at the Paul E. Wilson Project for Innocence and Post Conviction Remedies and Douglas County Legal Aid Society, where she practiced on a 719 supervisory license. Samantha has accepted a position as Assistant County Attorney with the Dodge City County Attorney's Office.