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2017-2018 Scholarship Recipient

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My name is Cole Schwartz and I am currently going into my final year at Washington State University. I am pursuing a degree in Construction Management and could not be happier with my choice of degree and career path.

My passion for construction started when I was just a child. From fort building in my mother's basement to creating detailed models in my grandpa's garage, I have always had a passion for creating things. Over the last two summers I have had the opportunity to work for two different general contractors: Wilcox Construction and GLY Construction. Working for these two companies allowed me to understand two very different niches in the construction industry.

I am currently interning with GLY Construction in their Microsoft Special Projects division, and have been working on the preconstruction for two different buildings. I plan to stay with the company working part-time while I complete my degree. In the future, I hope to work on hospital projects or advanced medicine because I want my work to have a meaningful impact on others. I hope to gain more knowledge of the industry and eventually open my own firm one day.

In my spare time, I enjoy spending my time outdoors. I grew up in Chelan, Washington so in the summers you can't get me out of the water unless you offer up a nice day on the golf course.