



## 2019-2020 Scholarship Recipient

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### **Renata Popov**

*Senior, University of Washington*

My name is Renata Popov and I'm currently pursuing my bachelor's degree in construction management with a minor in urban planning at the University of Washington. I am the president of the American Concrete Institute (ACI) student chapter and the vice president of the AGC student chapter, where I work to create opportunities for students to explore the Seattle construction industry. I am also the co-captain of the 2020 Reno competition commercial team and a member of the National Electrical Contractors Association (NECA) green building challenge team.

My interest in construction stemmed from my love of untangling complicated problems, interacting with people of diverse backgrounds and talents, and contributing to something much bigger than myself. All of these passions are fulfilled in the construction industry. After having the opportunity to intern with Exxel Pacific the summer after my freshman year, I knew construction was for me and applied for early admittance into the CM program. Since September 2018, I've been interning with Lease Crutcher Lewis on the UW Population Health Facility.

I intend to stay with the team through my senior year and I hope to continue with Lewis after I complete my degree. In my spare time, I enjoy playing guitar, cooking, and playing Dungeons & Dragons with my friends.