

EXAMPLE 1 FINAL:

Growing up in College Station, I was surrounded by incredible Aggies who mentored, encouraged and walked with me through the best and worst moments of my life. Because of their kindness and investment in my life, I learned early on of the incredible impact of Aggies helping Aggies. When I became an Aggie, I knew I wanted to model my life after their example. Through leadership roles in the Reveille Student Association Conference and Texas A&M Forever Club, I found the opportunity to serve as a mentor where I could support freshmen finding community and help students learn to live purpose-driven lives based on values. Serving as Council President allowed me to create amazing moments for my class to come together and celebrate their time on campus. All of these opportunities allowed me to be a small part of the great impact of the Aggie Network and Aggie Spirit that first drew me to A&M.

EXAMPLE 2 ROUGH DRAFT:

The first time I watched a honoree's family walk into the Silver Taps ceremony, I immediately knew that everything I had heard about the Aggie Family was undeniably true. As I stood in silence as the bugles echoed in reverence, I knew that my role as an Aggie was much bigger than myself. As a first generation Aggie, I had heard about the Aggie spirit and its significance, but in that moment, with thousands of Aggies around me in the darkness of Academic Plaza, I truly *felt* it. Having lost my dad four years prior, I understood the significance of remembering our loved ones, however, I had never experienced anything like this. Silver Taps reshaped my mentality of loss and legacy, reminding me of the unshakable fact that to be an Aggie is to never be forgotten.

EXAMPLE 2 FINAL:

At the Alumni Society, I serve as an executive student assistant where I am dedicated to promoting the Aggie Network and connecting the Aggie Family. I serve in a crucial role as I support the executive team in all areas. My tasks include communicating with faculty, donors, and former students, managing schedules, and assisting in coordinating networking events. Additionally, I serve passionately in order to contribute to strategic initiatives that enhance the Aggie experience and connect alumni everywhere. I also assist with event logistics, donor relations, and other projects that strengthen and promote the Aggie Network. In this role, I have been able to give back to current and former students, ensuring that the culture of Texas A&M continues to live on. Being on this team has taught me invaluable skills that will allow me to serve beyond my time at Texas A&M.