

FALL 2020

George Macht Scholarship Fund

RECIPIENT

Kevin Hernandez

CITY: Villa Park, IL

DEGREE PROGRAM: Hospitality Management



When it comes to my future and how this scholarship award is going to affect it is going to be in the most positive way. As I pursue my education in the hospitality management program this helps me continue by reaching my goals in a much faster way. Working in the hospitality industry has opened a lot of doors for me and one thing that I have learned is that networking is key in the industry. When it comes to networking I meet people from all over the world and take in all the advice I have been given.

Another thing that I want to take notice of is the fact that I come from a single-parent family. Growing up with one parent has not been the easiest task especially me being the oldest sibling of three. Not only am I becoming a better role model for my siblings but one day I hope to share my story with any child that has grown in a single-parent household. The challenges one is facing at a very young age take a lot of work especially if you have to help that one parent to take care of your siblings and start working at a young age. It has been a very challenging journey but I have also learned that all of that hard work paid off. Studying for classes is never easy when you also have to work to help pay bills at the house but this experience has made me a much more responsible person. Anything is possible as long as you set your goals and take your time working your plan.

In the future one day, I would like to be able to provide a scholarship of my own. When growing up having one parent makes you lose focus on some things but a great Escape that helped me with sports. When it comes to sports I was able to stay out of trouble by just staying active. One day I would like to provide a scholarship to students who come from a single-parent household and that are also involved in sports because I know what it feels like to be and that situation. I am glad I have been able to get this far with all the help I have received from friends and family.

The College Of DuPage has impacted my life in a very positive way and I couldn't thank them enough for it. Some of my professors have pushed me to limits I thought I would never achieve. I have improved tremendously in the past three years when it comes to my grade point average. Everything that the community has offered I have been able to showcase it when I am working and I'm very thankful for it. I can't wait to see where this industry texts me in the future but in the end, I hope that I can work somewhere near a beach with a great title in the industry.