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Angelique Woods ‘16

Lehman College

Angelique Woods is a Bronx girl through and through—but she has grown to be so much more than that. The introverted Bronx HS of Science graduate says she was not particularly interested in standing out in a crowd. But the compactness of her Macaulay Honors College cohort at Lehman College changed that.

“I have really gotten the chance to know my honors college professors and I have met some of my best friends here,” said Angelique. “I feel that the faculty really care about the students and recognize us as unique individuals with capabilities of which we are not always aware. I also think that they believe we can truly make an impact in this world.”

Angelique has been on the Dean’s List or a Presidential Scholar each semester during her time at Lehman, and is a member of Phi Beta Kappa. The psychology major plans eventually to go to medical school and has completed an undergraduate internship at the Albert Einstein College of Medicine/Montefiore Medical Center in

the Bronx. There, she worked with a study team to help conduct a literature review on studies related to HIV testing in emergency departments across the country. It was also part of her senior thesis.

“I was offered the opportunity to sit in on a presentation from my study team to the New York State AIDS Institute and got to witness firsthand how these findings translate to discussions on a policy level.”

Angelique currently is looking at various pre-medical post-baccalaureate research programs for her immediate future. The Highbridge resident says she draws inspiration from her hardworking parents,

each of whom has taken some college courses, who both worked in the public sector and are now retired. And she expanded her horizon with the Opportunities Fund grant available to each Macaulay student, most of whom use it to study abroad. Angelique went to Argentina.

“I also liked the idea of receiving a high quality education in the heart of New York City and I especially liked the fact that such a thing could occur at any one of the CUNY college campuses. Macaulay has allowed me to find my place and I consider it a second family.