

Dear Mr. Cutler,

My name is Amira Abboud, and I am a finance and accounting double major. I'm so honored to receive this scholarship, and I'm excited to get started!

In my time at ASU, I have completed other research opportunities. Last year, I researched women's equity in the workforce, and I helped to create an index that measured and ranked Fortune 500 companies' dedication to women's equity. While this was a really fun project, I'm excited to have the opportunity to work on actual finance research with this scholarship. In addition, I was also a teaching assistant for a literature class last year at Barrett, the Honors College. In this class, I had the chance to work with students on their literature papers, and I helped them to develop and hone their ideas and analyses. I'm glad I get to apply these communication skills I learned as a teaching assistant to financial literacy in this scholarship. Outside of school, I train for triathlons, and currently, I'm training to run a half-marathon with my dad in January.

This is my last year as an ASU undergraduate student, and I feel like the time has flown by! I love that I get to spend my last year at ASU working on this scholarship. I really feel like I can make a difference with this research. After I graduate, I hope to go to law school and become a lawyer, and I'm looking forward to applying what I learn in this scholarship to my law education and my future law career.

Thank you so much for this scholarship. It means a lot to me to be chosen, and I'm so appreciative of your donation.

Sincerely,

Amira Abboud



Meet Amira Abboud

Why did you choose your major?

I chose to be a finance and accounting double major because I believe that these two areas are at the center of most major decisions made today, and I want to fully understand the motivators and calculations behind them.

Biggest academic accomplishment

I think my biggest academic accomplishment is receiving this scholarship. It is the culmination of a lot of hard work that I put into not only my studies at W. P. Carey but also my previous research projects.

Favorite Book

My favorite book is Mary Shelley's *Frankenstein*. I love how its themes can still be applied to today, and I enjoy its parallels with the movie *Jurassic Park*.