

# ALUMNI SNAPSHOT

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~ Woodlawn High School, 2007

~ Bachelor of Science, Psychological and Brain Sciences, Johns Hopkins University 2011

### personal accomplishments and pride

~ Graduating Valedictorian at Woodlawn High School

~ Acceptance to Johns Hopkins University

~ Serving on JHU's Orientation Executive Staff

### their journey, their words

I was born in New York, but have spent almost all of my life in Baltimore. I graduated from Woodlawn High School as Valedictorian. I worked hard to maintain my grades while balancing my after-school responsibilities. I held leadership positions on the soccer and lacrosse teams; multi-cultural club; and National Honor Society. I was often very tired when I came home. I had other obligations such as baby-sitting for my little cousin and helping with the household chores. I decided that if nothing else at least I would keep busy attempting to build a solid foundation.

Currently, I am a junior at Johns Hopkins University and I am attending on a full scholarship. Each year serves as a reminder to give thanks to everyone who has helped me to accomplish my goals thus far: family members, friends, teachers, and Building STEPS. One of the things that I appreciate the most about Building STEPS is that they have aided in building the steps between my goals. As a First Generation college student, I remember the college process being overwhelming and yet at the same time exciting. Building STEPS was tremendous in helping me to apply to various universities and provided a feeling of security knowing that they were willing to help. Through the workshops and one-on-one mentoring process, I was able to submit a top-notch application. Thanks to my Building STEPS' internship at UMBI, I felt ready for my first job at Johns Hopkins.

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