

**The Third of Twelve**  
**Emma Hanson**  
**2020 Steinbeck Scholarship Recipients**



Hello everyone!

Thank you so much for choosing me as one of the 2020 Steinbeck Scholarship recipients. Your prayers and support mean the world to me and I am so thankful for this community.

My name is Emma Hanson and I was born in Taiwan while my parents were missionaries there. Our family moved to Hong Kong in 2005 and we lived there until summer of 2019. My family is now serving at International Lutheran

Church in Seoul, South Korea. I went to and graduated from Hong Kong International School which was originally started by the LCMS long ago.

I am currently a junior here at St. Olaf College. Time is really flying by! It seems like I just started college not too long ago. I am an Exercise Science major here on track to pursue a career in Occupational Therapy.

That will require either a masters or doctorate degree after my time here at St. Olaf and I am currently trying to figure out if I want to do that right away or if I want to work for a couple years before going on to more school. I have been involved in doing research with one of my professors both last summer as well as this semester on the topic of fear of falling in the aging population. We are currently teaching a fall prevention course at our senior center in downtown Northfield! I also have been working at our Financial Aid office since my freshman year. Now being a junior, I feel pretty settled into the Minnesota life - I am getting used to the snowy winters by now!

I am so thankful for my opportunities to continue to pursue my education here at St. Olaf. Even though we don't know what our futures hold, I find peace through Christ and His plan for my life. Thank you so much for your constant support and prayers to both my family and I. We are praying for you all as well.

Blessings,  
Emma