## **Tamar Crump**

I grew up in St. Louis, Missouri. For 12 years I was homeschooled by my mother until middle school. Throughout middle school and high school, I was heavily involved in my schools' local food pantry, a nonprofit organization run by students called Weekend on Wheels. We boxed meals for families within the district every week. I'm usually very quiet and tend to keep to myself, but I will come out of my shell with a good conversation. I'm obsessed with traveling and learning new languages and plan to seize every study abroad opportunity I can. My hobbies include painting, sewing, and dance. I also enjoy hiking and would love to learn how to kayak!

### Rikki Held

I grew up on a Montana cattle ranch outside of Broadus, and lived three hours from home to graduate as valedictorian from Billings Senior High School. Pursuing a higher education is of great importance to me as I know that knowledge can change the world by creating understanding, opportunity, and equality. I wish to pursue environmental science at Colorado College while living in a community of open-minded people willing to face the world's challenges.

# **Sarah Higgins**

I am originally from Honolulu, Hawaii. However, I grew up for most of my life in Columbia, Missouri. Moving to the mainland was a big shock. I am grateful to have had so many opportunities to explore more of the U.S. because of moving to Missouri. Throughout my middle school and high school experience I fell in love with playing volleyball, acting, dancing, singing, and advocating for diversity and inclusion in my school and community. My major at Colorado College is undeclared, but I hope to pursue studies in media and film. I also strive to continue pursuing my hobbies in the fine arts and advocating for diversity and inclusion at Colorado College within the next four years. I could not be more excited for my journey ahead at CC as a WES Scholar!

### **Gabriella Morales**

I was born and raised in the small coastal town of Beaufort, South Carolina, where I graduated from Battery Creek High School. In my free time I love to read, play soccer, and go to the beach. Growing up listening to my paternal grandmother's stories about her life in her hometown of Pueblo, Colorado, first instilled my pride in my Hispanic roots and fostered a desire in me to travel. Although my grandmother's later struggles with dementia were heartbreaking to watch, it sparked my interest in the human brain and psyche. At CC, I plan to further these interests by studying psychology and Spanish. Adjusting to the colder climate will be difficult, but nonetheless, I am looking forward to attending CC this fall. I'm so grateful for the generous financial aid that has allowed me to embark on this exciting adventure.

### Clara Sato

I was born in Tokyo, Japan, and moved to Madison, Wisconsin, when I was 2 years old. Growing up with my mom and my brother, I spent a lot of time outside, enjoying the warm summers and snowy winters of the Midwest. In addition to being a competitive swimmer for 13 years, I have always had a strong passion for science, math, social justice, and helping others in my community. Throughout high school, I was involved in

volunteering for a Down syndrome achievement center as a program leader, and a biomedical genomic research group studying the effects of the diet on the gastrointestinal tract. I will major in neuroscience with hopes of medical school in the future. Colorado College's strong science programs, the swim team, and the Women's Educational Society, along with everything else CC has to offer will provide me with a wonderful opportunity to explore all of my passions. I am so honored and grateful to have been chosen as a WES Scholar, and I am looking forward to what this year has in store!