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"I became a part of the Sapphire Leadership Program because of all the contacts I will meet during my time as a Sapphire student. The opportunity was too great to pass up. I am instantly part of a large network of people just willing to help me with anything." –**Garrett Arrigo**

"I became part of the Sapphire Leadership Program because it is one of the few programs in the country that focuses not only on academic excellence but also the development of leadership skills that go far beyond the realm of academia. The ability that Sapphire demonstrates to improve leadership will still be present after the books, facts and numbers fade away; it is something that you will keep with you for the rest of your life." -**Eric Bodnar**

"I became part of the Sapphire Leadership Program because of the networking opportunities it presents to me. Sapphire is a well-known leadership program at a very prestigious business school, and it is a privilege to be able to put in on my resume." -**Matthew Bonczek**

"I became a part of the Sapphire Leadership Program because it offers a unique opportunity to participate in business-oriented activities in a fun and social atmosphere." –**Brandy Cohn**

"I joined the Sapphire Leadership program because it seemed like a great way to separate myself from the pack and meet some people who share the same interests as me." -**Isaac Grimm**

"I became involved with Sapphire so that I could meet other students that were passionate about business." - **Valentina Karpeshov**

"I became a part of the Sapphire Leadership Program to enhance my Penn State and Smeal experience by pushing myself to be all that I can be and to take advantage of all the resources that are available to me." - **Tori Kirkpatrick**

"I became a part of the Sapphire Leadership Program because it gives me a vast amount of opportunities to learn and grow in the business field." -**Alex Kluthe**

"I became a part of the Sapphire Leadership Program because I want to gain valuable leadership skills that will help me when I enter the business world. The networking and professional development that I will experience through Sapphire will definitely give me an advantage when I'm looking for internships, interviews, and jobs." -**Lauren Kolarik**

"I became a part of the Sapphire Leadership Program because it is a program that I feel like will improve my leadership skills, a skill needed in the business world. I also joined the program because it would allow me to network with companies so I could get internships and jobs." - **Michael Lefkowitz**

"I became a part of the Sapphire Leadership Program in order to gain the skills and knowledge to become a successful leader and one day become my own boss." -**Bobby Raggazino**

"I became a part of Sapphire because I wanted to enhance my leadership skills while at Penn State." - **Lauren Renzulli**

"I became a part of the Sapphire Leadership Program because of the experience. The ability to learn in a comfortable environment where we all have similar interests will only help us to grow to be future business leader's. The skills we will learn will range from leadership, to teamwork, to communication, to networking. The opportunity of being in this program is something no one should ever give up, it is something to be taken advantage of." -**Nicole Rosen**

"I became a part of the Sapphire Leadership Program because I wanted to expand my leadership skills and work with other students who are just like me." -**Michael Silvestri**

"I became a part of the Sapphire Leadership Program because it is a great way to meet new people while gaining valuable leadership experience." -**Kathryn Wawrzonek**

"I became a part of the Sapphire Leadership Program because I wanted to be a hero in my own right, on my quest to rise above thousands just like me." -**Won Yang**

"I became a part of the Sapphire Leadership Program because I want to be involved in the business school and practice my leadership skills for the future." - **Tara Zierler**



What I hope to have gained from the Sapphire Leadership Program when I graduate is...

"Being a Sapphire has placed me with the top minds in Smeal, where we both work together and stand apart in order to build towards our future, gain professional experience, and achieve an understanding of the modern workplace." -**Will Appman**

"The Sapphire Leadership Program will give me a head start to networking and job opportunities after college." -**Bradley Bernstein**

"What I hope to have gained from the Sapphire Leadership Program is lifelong friendships with the members of my cohort, as well as leadership and networking opportunities from one of the most prestigious college business organizations in America." -**Will Kissinger**

"What I hope to have gained from Sapphire when I graduate is the knowledge and confidence that is needed to succeed in today's business world." -**Joe Knittel**

"What I hope to have gained from the Sapphire Leadership Program when I graduate is a better understanding of the ways in which the business world functions and strong communication skills." -**Samantha Levy**

"I hoped to have gained a group of life-long friends." -**Michael Long**

"What I hope to have gained from the Sapphire Leadership Program when I graduate is leadership skills, along with a broad network, and an expanded knowledge of the field of business." -**Stephanie Markman**

"What I hope to have gained from the Sapphire Leadership Program when I graduate is a broader business sense and proper business etiquette. I hope to make many networking opportunities and obtain an internship." -**Devin J. Nallen**

"The Sapphire Leadership Program represented my goals and commitments for the future; and at the same time, welcomed me, an overwhelmed freshman, into the huge and exciting world of business at PSU." - **Gracie Neiswonger**

"What I hope to have gained from the Sapphire Leadership Program when I graduate is lessons and tools that will help me succeed in the business world, and a group of close, lifelong friends that I will never lose touch with." -**Alex Stolls**

"What I hope to have gained from the Sapphire Leadership Program when I graduate is the combination of leadership skills and people skills to be successful in the business world." -**Steven Vigilante**

"What I hope to have gained from the Sapphire Leadership Program when I graduate is the leadership skills that will not only be necessary to succeed in the business world, but also in other areas as well. I know that Sapphire will be able to provide me with a long range of knowledge that I can apply to all different aspects of my life." -**Alyssa Wasserman**