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As an individual coming from a Middle Eastern conservative family, my parents have never encouraged me to excel in school or strive for college because education is not encouraged for girls. It has been difficult to decide what I wanted to do with my life because I was lacking a strong influence towards education. Coming to the United States has opened up so many opportunities for me that I never even dreamed of. I never knew as a student I would be able to get so connected with my school and my community. When I joined the all women's Boise State competitive robotics team, I started to observe the issues women face in the STEM field. Volunteering at various STEM days showed me that they were almost always focused on and were for children. This made me want to create a STEM event for the students at my high school so that they could explore and discover various professions in the field as well as find ways to intern and get involved with our community. Upon hearing about my accomplishments with the Borah STEM Day, the W.IN (Women Innovators in Idaho) reached out to me and asked me to serve as a student voice on their advisory board. Being on this board made me see into my future and I realized that along with doing a biomedical engineering degree, I want to study communications and help to share information with people around the world to encourage STEM careers.

Organizing and hosting the STEM day taught me how important it is to communicate with your community and share your knowledge and experiences.

With many of my relatives suffering from health issues I have always wished to ease their pain which is where I found my thrive to earn my biomedical engineering major. With my robotics foundation and knowledge that I acquired over the years I wanted to utilize and bring it into the medical field. I would like to design equipment that would be operated in healthcare. I want to ease the pain of the sick and let them live a normal lifestyle. It severely hurts to hear or see other people's pain and nobody deserves to suffer. With the technology we have today and as it keeps advancing we could design medical equipment to give the sick a better life.

With my biomedical engineering and communication degree I would like to present my ideas and get people to know more about the issues people are facing and what they could do about it. With whatever life I have left to live, I am determined to use it all for those who need my help. I want to give back to the community that has given me so much. Getting a higher education is not the first step for me to accomplish my goals, however it is the most fundamental one I have to take to pursue them.