

Amelia Cope



Amelia Cope was raised in a small town in Michigan. She attended high school at Midland High, where she participated in cross country, soccer, and was an active volunteer throughout her community. She attended the local community college her senior year of high school, working towards a nursing degree. After earning an associate degree, Amelia moved to Colorado, where she then fell in love with the mountains. She resided in Colorado for a year and a half, where she then moved to Utah to be closer to family.

After a year of full time working with troubled youth, Amelia decided it was time to pursue her university degree once again. She was accepted into Utah Valley University, where she quickly became involved on campus. This is Amelia's second year serving on the Student Council, and her current position is the College of Humanities and Social Sciences' Senator. Since studying at UVU, she has changed her major to Social Work, and plans on attending graduate school for global policy. UVU has helped her become involved in nation-wide clubs, including the Service Scholar Program and the Global and Intercultural Engagement Program.

It was during a Service-Scholar trip to California that Amelia met Dr. Sarah Hall, a UVU Public Health Professor. Dr. Hall introduced to her the Indonesian Tsunami "crisis", and she was invited to participate in a mitigation effort with a team of professors and students. Amelia directed the tourism project, gathering data from over 300 tourists in Bali, Indonesia. The "waves" team then traveled to 2 other Islands, focusing on tsunami education among the locals, through classes to elementary, junior and high school students. Amelia was touched by the Indonesian kindness and enjoyed the rich sea food and fruit shakes.

Since Indonesia, Amelia has been bit by the travel bug; she has an internship this summer in India and Nepal and is looking forward to learning about diversity. She enjoys running, spending time with friends and family, eating ice cream, and being outdoors.