# **Monica Moody**

Civil Engineering
Business Minor for Engineers

Hometown: Olmsted Falls, OH

#### **Professional/Student Organizations:**

- American Society of Civil Engineers
- Steel Bridge Design Team
- Campus Focus

#### Co-op/Research Experience

- AECOM
- Undergraduate Research Assistant
- GPD Group



### Why did you choose the University of Akron?

I chose The University of Akron due to the amount of opportunities that would be available to me and for its value. The University of Akron offered so many ways to get involved, especially in your major, through professional societies, design teams, volunteer groups and so much more compared to other schools that I visited. There seemed to be so much staff support for students to pursue these options and so many people were involved, not just a small group of students. The University of Akron provided all of this while still being a great economical choice and offering a large variety of scholarships for students throughout their time here.

## Why did you choose Civil Engineering as your major?

I chose Civil Engineering because I have always been interested in environmental work, whether that be with water, clean energy, waste, or air pollution. Civil Engineering has opportunities to learn about and go into those fields as a career. I also want to go help with natural disaster recovery with my Civil Engineering degree.

### What is one of your most memorable moments here at The College of Engineering?

One of my most memorable moments at the University of Akron's College of Engineering was my first Ohio Valley Student Valley competition. This is where the Steel Bridge and Concrete Canoe Design Teams compete at a regional level for a weekend every year. At competition that year, I was able to paddle the canoe in the races and was also a member of the bridge team. This was such a great memory because I realized how amazing it is to be involved in design teams. It was a so much fun to spend a weekend competing and learning about civil engineering, all while creating memories with my teammates that are now some of my closest friends.