Psychology Alumnus Testimonial

“My reason for going away to school was so that I could expand on my independent skills, branch out, and explore new realms. I decided to attend UPG because it appeared to be very welcoming as well as had friendly faculty, staff, and students. UPG’s appearance was outstandingly correct, and I obtained everything I intended to with going away to college and so much more. A few significant things I learned and grew from included: becoming a better leader and listener, trusting myself as well as others around me, and what specifically I wanted to do with my major. Words cannot express how grateful I am to have been a part of an amazing group of people that made the University not just a school, but a family. ‘What you do with your life is just half of the equation, the other half, the more important half, is really who you’re with when you’re doing it,’ so I leave you with this quote that explains the most important thing I believe I have obtained from UPG, an extended family.”

— Sierrah Avant, Class of 2015

Sierrah Avant graduated in 2015 with a Bachelor’s degree in Psychology. While at Pitt-Greensburg, Sierrah interned at Pressley Ridge School, and she also volunteered at Plea Respite Care and the Early College Experience where she worked with children with special needs. Sierrah served as Green Scholar for a year, where she was paid to conduct a research with Dr. Russ Phillips, on LGB and spiritual issues. Sierrah was also a teaching assistant for Dr. Asplin’s Introduction to Psychology and Developmental courses. Among Sierrah’s many extracurriculars, she served as a Community Assistant in the Resident Halls. Sierrah will be attending a doctoral program in clinical child psychology in Chicago starting fall 2015.