

My name is Lizzie Hague, originally from St. Charles, IL. I am studying Finance at Tippie College of Business at the University of Iowa. I am also pursuing a Risk Management and Insurance Certificate through the Vaughn Institute. I am a senior and will be graduating in May 2014. I have been involved in numerous student organizations during my time at Iowa, including Gamma Iota Sigma, a professional risk management, insurance, and actuarial science fraternity, where I have served as the Vice President of Finance for the past 2 years. I am also a member of Delta Sigma Pi, a professional business fraternity, and HawkTrade, a student run investment club.



I became involved with the Vaughn Institute after taking the class Principles of Risk Management with Ty Leverty, where my interest for insurance was discovered. I enjoyed the academic challenge and difficulty the class brought and was engaged by the real world application course concepts it offered. After hearing about all the opportunities available through the Vaughn Institute, including leadership positions in Gamma Iota Sigma, opportunities to network and build relationships through the mentoring program, and the high job placement rate graduates have, I immediately wanted to continue in the insurance industry. I am attracted to the risk management and insurance industry because it is a relationship industry where interaction and relationships are valued highly. Additionally, I am attracted to this industry as it provides help and reassurance to others in times of desperate need. I believe this is what makes working in insurance a noble profession.

I have accepted a position at Grinnell Mutual Reinsurance Company, where I will begin my career as a commercial lines underwriter. I am excited to be working at such a well-known and respected company that resides in the Midwest. I am eager to bring my working profession as an underwriter and want to continue to further my professional development by pursuing various professional designations. I look forward to utilizing my education upon graduation at GMRC.

Beginning my studies at the University of Iowa, I did not anticipate myself to end into the Risk Management and Insurance industry, but looking back it was the best decision I have made to date. I am excited to begin working in an field that is constantly changing, posing new challenges and requiring me to be innovative.