



# Texas A&M Department of Economics

## Amazing Student

BRANDON WALKER – SEPTEMBER 2018

**Name:** Brandon Walker

**Hometown:**

Round Rock, TX

**High School:**

Rouse HS

**Degree objective:**

Double Major in Economics and Statistics. I am considering a Master's in Data Science

**Expected graduation:**

May 2019

**University highlights, awards, scholarships:**

Fourth place at the Texas A&M Institute of Data Science Competition

Philipps 66 SHIELD Scholar

Dept. of Economics Neal Hahn Scholarship

Cornerstone Honors

### Clubs/Organizations I am(was) a part of:

University Honors, Brazos County Deputy Voter Registrars, various Hackathons.

### Current employment:

Tutor at Texas A&M Academic Success Center. ECON 203 Supplemental Instructor. Peer Teacher for MATH 150. Intern at the College Station Police Department. Forecasting and Econometric Analyst Intern at CNH Industrial.

### Family ties to Texas A&M:

My dad is an Aggie, my mom's brother is an Aggie. My great grandfather went here for about 1 week in the 1930s, decided he didn't like it and hitchhiked home to Colorado, arriving there before his parents who had dropped him off in College Station.

### I chose to attend Texas A&M because...

I have a lot of good memories here as a child so I felt very comfortable here. Additionally, I felt always felt like everyone at A&M wanted me to be here.

### My favorite things to do on campus are...

Go to the new university gardens and go to football games.

### When I have free time, I like...

To do trivia, run, golf, and play football

### The craziest thing I've done is...

Go Jamaican bobsledding in Jamaica

### My favorite place to study is...

The 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> floors of Rudder Tower

### My favorite ECON professor is...

Dr. Regan Petrie

### My favorite part of being an ECON student is...

Being able to ask any question of my professors at any time. They have all been very accessible.

### If I could share an afternoon with anyone, I would love to share it with...

President Obama

If I knew I could not fail, I would...

Run for a seat in the House of Representatives

If money was not a consideration, I would love to...

Start my own business

What is your passion and how are you committed to pursuing it?

Data Science, I spend about an hour learning online through coursera, lynda.com youtube, or udemy, and I enter competitions to use these skills.

After graduation, I plan to...

Get a job in Data Science

The one Texas A&M experience I will always remember is...

Helping other Aggies learn through my experience as a tutor/supplemental instructor/peer teacher.