



Howdy y'all! My name is Allison Love. I am a current member of the 114-nursing class and I'm from Houston, Texas ...as if the "y'all" didn't give it away. I graduated from high school in 2011 and from there went on to obtain a bachelor's degree from the University of Missouri. Despite originally pursuing a photojournalism degree at Mizzou, I always felt a calling to be of more service to people. Like many people, my life has been directly impacted by good nurses taking care of my family including those who cared for my father during several cardiac events or for my brother during his childhood battle with cancer. I strive to be like those nurses.

During the two years after I obtained my bachelor's degree, I began to work towards my goal of obtaining a nursing degree. And even though I may have initially earned my stripes at Mizzou, the royal blue has always run through my

veins. I am extremely excited to be here at Louisiana Tech, getting the chance to pursue a career I know I will love and learning where my father, uncle, and grandparents all received an education as well. Every day at Tech I am learning something new, being challenged, gaining more confidence, and exploring new potential fields for me to look into when I become a nurse. Nursing by no means is easy. There is less sleep, so much to read, late nights and weekends spent studying. But it is worth it to finally be earning my nursing degree and I cannot wait to see what these next 5 quarters have in store!