What have you learned from other students?

The best thing that I have learned from other students is always to be willing to help other people when you can. When I first started assisting with fieldwork I did not have the process down to an art (I still don’t), yet when the more experienced students would stop and take the time to show me the ropes it always meant a lot. They were always patient and supportive and that makes for both a great learning and working environment.

What is your best advice to current students?

No matter how overwhelmed you might feel with classes or anything else in life you still have to enjoy your ride. Everyone gets bad breaks, some more than others but as bad as that is, it can’t be changed. How we deal with these breaks makes all the difference. You can always find something to be grateful for and that should always make your day better.

What makes UWGB special?

The best part of UWGB has been the people. The faculty at UWGB are amazing. Every teacher I have met has been willing to go out of their way to help whenever I need assistance. UWGB offers so many opportunities, and if you’re willing to seek them, the faculty will get you involved. I have also met so many students who are good people, and those are the best kind of people.
Tell us something you are involved with here at UWGB? (honor society, etc.)

I have been involved with the UWGB subunit of the American Fisheries Society on campus. It has provided me with so many opportunities outside of the classroom to continue my learning and become actively involved in the community.

What have you learned (or are learning) that has made a difference to you?

Hard work is a good thing. Sometimes it’s surprising what’s possible when you just pick a line and go for it.

What is your favorite study spot?

There is this dark corner in the fisheries lab that has a computer in it where I usually find myself working. So far, it’s worked out for me.

What is a cause you are passionate about?

I like to think I spend a good bit of time enjoying and working to better our natural resources. We only get one planet and I think it is important we pass on the best one we can to the next generation.

What are your plans after graduation?

I have a job lined up to work with the Wyoming Fish & Game as a fisheries tech following graduation. I hope to spend time getting more experience and wrapping up the research projects that I have been fortunate enough to be involved with here at UWGB before I try to get into a graduate school.