



## **Danica Tarabanovic**

### **Where was your undergraduate AT degree from?**

San Diego State University

### **What is your current GA position?**

Valley City State University working Football and Softball

### **What is your thesis topic and why does it interest you?**

My thesis topic concerns Athletic Trainers being able to properly administer CPR/ventilation to O/D- line football players while in full shoulder pads. This interests me due to the idea that most healthcare providers are testing their skills through smaller, more lean manikins and not thicker, heavier ones. I wanted to see whether or not Athletic Trainers are able to incorporate high standard CPR/ventilation with this factor now being taken into consideration.

### **What is your favorite aspect about being an Athletic Trainer?**

The overall idea of being around a sports environment while providing proper healthcare standards. I always wanted to find a job that combines both interests in my life (sports and medicine) and the idea that I can assist with someone's injury through their entire rehabilitation process is rewarding and uplifting.

### **If you were stranded on a deserted island, what band or musician would help keep your sanity?**

I would want to listen to Linkin Park. They have been a part of my life since I was young and with their music being so versatile and upbeat, it would keep my mind-set active and driving to make the most of this situation.

### **When you are not at your GA position or working on your coursework and thesis; what do you like to do in your free time?**

In my free time away from my GA position and doing work, I really enjoy spending time with my friends and catching up with my family. Moreover, I really enjoy listening to music as my escape. With being in a new state, I want to try to see as much as I can around North Dakota and other neighboring states/country.

### **What is your favorite thing about the Fargo-Moorhead area?**

Being in Valley City, my favorite part about this town is how green it is here. Seeing all the rolling hills and how calm it is really is a nice escape from the hectic city life.