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Media Announcement

FMU's Ivana Maric Wins the 2018 Ev Clay/PRSA Miami Scholarship



L-R FMU Professor Dr. Mary-Angie Salva-Ramirez, and FMU Communications student Ivana Maric.

Miami Gardens, FL (October 3, 2018) – Florida Memorial University’s (FMU) decorated Communications program is showcasing another stellar student in Ivana Maric. The Miami chapter of the Public Relations Society of America (PRSA) awarded Maric a \$2,750 Ev Clay Scholarship. The PRSA Miami Endowment supports excellence in the public relations profession and since its establishment in 1985 has helped over 153 students.

“This scholarship has not only helped me get one step closer to my goal,” said Ivana Maric, a junior from Serbia majoring in Communications with an emphasis in Public Relations. “It also inspired me to one day help other students and give back to the community.”

Maric is also passionate about sports and is a member of FMU’s volleyball team. Upon graduation, she aspires to earn a master’s degree and eventually open a public relations company. She is not the first FMU student to earn the Ev Clay scholarship. The program has produced roughly two dozen scholars over the last decade.

“I’m very proud of Ivana’s achievements. She is the embodiment of what a student-athlete ought to be: passionate about the sport she loves and equally passionate about her academic endeavors,” said Maria-Angie Salva-Ramirez, Ph.D., associate professor of Communications and adviser of the national award-winning FMU’s Public Relations Student Society of America chapter.

“PRSA Miami, our sponsoring chapter, continues to be instrumental in helping FMU public relations students achieve their goals.”

Located within the School of Arts and Sciences, the Communications program resides in the university’s Humanities Department. It confers a bachelor’s degree in Communications with concentrations in Public Relations or Broadcasting. The Ev Clay/PRSA Miami Chapter Endowment Fund is the largest, and perhaps oldest, scholarship fund in the nation operated by a PRSA chapter. This past year scholarships were awarded to students attending Florida International University, Florida Memorial University, Miami Dade College, and the University of Miami.

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