

“ I’ve been active at the INTO Center since I came to UAB. I’m an international student, so I’m aware of the challenges faced by other international students. I’ve worked as an academic student leader, welcoming new international students during orientation. Since I was helped before, I want to give back by helping others. ”

Jessica
China



Pursuing Neuroscience and Teaching: The journey to UAB

“While my current goal is to study and research neuroscience, my ultimate goal is to research and teach simultaneously, or possibly focus more on teaching. I understand that to achieve my goal of teaching students, I must ensure that I possess sufficient knowledge to educate others. I chose to study at UAB because I want to experience working and studying in the Southern United States. I spent five years in the Midwest, and it is time to experience something new! Additionally, I love how welcoming UAB is. We cherish diversity and embrace and celebrate everyone. I want to be part of such a supportive community, which can help fuel my academic journey.”

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Are you an educational agent?



Are you an international student?



Earned bachelor's degrees in neuroscience and educational studies from UW-Madison



Worked as an assistant scientist in a pharmaceutical company after graduation



Transferred to UAB



Enrolled in the IMP in Multidisciplinary Biomedical Science at UAB



Progressed to MS in Multidisciplinary Biomedical Science - Neuroscience



Worked as an academic student leader at the INTO UAB Center, welcoming new international students during orientation



Employed as a research assistant at Dr. Bryan Becker's lab (location: McCallum Basic Health Sciences Building)



Set to graduate in 2025