



Matthew Tuttle-Timm

Major: Physics

Minor: Mathematics

Activities: Varsity cross country, Physics and Engineering Club

Internship: Two years working with Dr. Frank on analyzing data from the Superconducting Laboratory

Post-grad plans: Work toward a doctorate in physics

“Matthew is quiet, but one of the most diligent students I’ve ever had. We worked together in the lab two summers in a row. While at Augustana, he presented at two national conferences and co-authored two papers. He also helped set up an experiment at Michigan State University. I look forward to hearing about Matthew’s future successes.”

— Dr. Nathan Frank, associate professor, physics

MORE THAN I IMAGINED 2017

SENIORS REFLECT ON ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND LOOK AHEAD

Why Augustana?

I was really interested in the physics department at Augustana, and I was able to start my freshmen year in that field.

Are you where you thought you’d be four years ago?

Yes.

Who helped you get to where you are now?

Dr. Frank and Dr. Vogel provided me with an awesome physics background. Dr. Frank in particular helped me by giving me my first internship and experiences that took me to Santa Fe, New Mexico, to present and to Michigan State University to see laboratory work firsthand.

A peak experience?

Again it would be the internship and all of the opportunities it gave me. I never thought that I would be able to present at the Division of Nuclear Physics Conference or be able to help set up an experiment at Michigan State.

What surprised you?

I can actually be organized.

What will you miss the most?

I will miss everything about Augustana—Hanson Hall, the great custodian Sue who works at Hanson, Dr. Frank, Dr. Vogel and long walks to my car.

Advice for the Class of 2021?

Try to take your required electives in your early years and to keep track of your program evaluation.