

## CSN Student to Represent Nevada in Miss America Competition

*Macie Tuell will compete for prestigious scholarship award to help fund college tuition*

July 15, 2021 – College of Southern Nevada student Macie Tuell has been crowned Miss Nevada and will represent the state in the Miss America contest.

The Miss Nevada competition is hosted by the Miss Nevada Scholarship Organization (MNVSO), affiliated with the Miss America Foundation, a nationally recognized non-profit serving as one of the largest providers of scholarship assistance to young women in the world.

Tuell said she chose the College of Southern Nevada for smaller class sizes, flexible schedules and affordability.

“I love community college. I like smaller classes and I am paying for college myself so I need to ensure that my scholarship awards take me as far as possible,” said Tuell, who has earned more than \$21,000 competition scholarships so far. “It was definitely the right decision for me to start at the College of Southern Nevada.”

Tuell volunteers with the Alzheimer's Drug Discovery Foundation while working to pay for college. She's been so inspired that she adopted Alzheimer's Awareness as her social impact initiative. “I worked in a care facility that incorporated music therapy for patients impacted by Alzheimer's,” she said. “This work, particularly the Memories Matter initiative, is very important to me.”

For the past two years Tuell has worked as the personal assistant to illusionist David Copperfield and worked with his non-profit organization, Project Magic, which advocates for using sleight of hand magic therapy to help Alzheimer's patients improve their motor skills.

“The entire CSN family is so proud of Macie and we look forward to continuing to support her through her journey here, through her experiences as Miss Nevada, and beyond,” said James McCoy, Vice President of Academic Affairs for the College of Southern Nevada.

Tuell will compete for the title of Miss America this December.

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