



## Colton Schulenberg

**Majors:** Accounting and business administration-finance

**Activities:** Varsity football, Real Estate Investment Club

**Internship:** Tax internship with Deloitte in the winter/spring of 2016.

**Post-grad plans:** I start my full-time job with Deloitte on Jan. 1, 2018. Until then, I will finish up my 150 credit hours needed to take the CPA exam. Also, I will be getting ready for a wedding because I recently got engaged to Emily Handrahan, Augie 2016 grad.

“Colton seems to be reserved until he delivers his final presentation in Intermediate Accounting III or shows his support for Viking football or basketball teams. He had to overcome a lot of obstacles during his college years. However, it just shows that it is impossible to break his quarterback determination no matter how many times circumstances beyond his control sack him. He only gets stronger. Go, Colton, we are rooting for you!”

— Nadia Schwartz, assistant professor,  
accounting

### MORE THAN I IMAGINED 2017

SENIORS REFLECT ON ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND LOOK AHEAD

#### Why Augustana?

I chose Augustana after my first overnight visit with the football team. I loved the campus, the atmosphere and the people. The outstanding tradition of academics and sports also played a large role in the decision.

#### Are you where you thought you'd be four years ago?

No, freshman year I thought I was going to graduate in applied mathematics in 2016. Instead, I'm graduating a year later in accounting after missing a year and a half due to an illness and way too many days in the hospital.

#### Who helped you get to where you are now?

My parents and my professors. My parents have always been there for me and will continue to always be there. My professors helped me find the right career path. I said applied math, but I truly didn't know what I wanted to do until Nadia (Professor Schwartz) pointed me in the right direction.

#### A peak experience?

I've had too many. Last year was a great year because I received an internship and job offer from a great company. I had awesome roommates and friends around me. I was able to visit Italy with the football team, and I met my future fiancé. Many memories that will be remembered forever.

#### What surprised you?

I learned life can throw a lot at someone, but if you keep fighting, keep friends and family close, you'll find yourself where you've always wanted to be.

#### How did you use Augie Choice?

I went to Italy with the football team for almost two weeks. We played a couple teams from Italy, and explored the beautiful country. It was an amazing experience, and my first experience overseas.

#### What will you miss the most?

I'll miss the people the most. I'll miss all my best friends being blocks away from each other.

#### Advice for the Class of 2021?

Network. Don't get stuck meeting only a handful of people. Make sure to join a sports team, organization or Greek life on campus. The number of relationships you create now will prove meaningful in college and in your future careers.