Courtney Wang
Student Fellow, Studying Abroad
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Austin Montessori School alum Courtney Wang is currently living and traveling abroad for the Roy and Hazel Zeff Memorial Fellowship through Rice University. The Zeff Fellowship supports a year of international travel to conduct a research project, intended for the year after college graduation. Courtney is traveling to Taiwan, Malaysia, Jordan, Sweden and Brazil to learn about multiracial identity and the experiences of multiracial individuals and families in different parts of the world.

Courtney attended the AMS Children’s House, Elementary, and Adolescent programs at AMS. After AMS, Courtney attended Westlake High School, then Rice University, where she majored in psychology and sociology with a minor in Poverty, Justice, and Human Capabilities. After graduating from Rice Courtney accepted the Zeff Fellowship. Upon completion of the fellowship Courtney plans to work in a human rights related field.

She shares some of her memories of AMS:

“One of the best things about AMS was how we were exposed to many things outside of a traditional classroom, such as camping, cooking, gardening, art, and more. This allowed us to have a much more well-rounded education and gave me practical skills that were useful outside of a school setting. I also liked the freedom we had to choose what we wanted to study. Trusting us with this responsibility at an early age helped me to learn how to take initiative with my own learning throughout school and in life.”

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