

Airmen Anthony Heger (C'28)



From a young age, Anthony Heger dreamed of becoming a military pilot — a dream that began with visits to Camp Dodge's Military History Museum and has stayed with him ever since. Today, that dream is becoming a reality. Anthony enlisted in the Iowa Air National Guard's 132d Wing in 2024, serving as a Finance Specialist while studying flight operations and applied aviation technology at the University of Dubuque.

Anthony, a Des Moines, Iowa native, chose UD for its outstanding aviation program, close-knit community, and the opportunity to compete on the wrestling team. He believes wrestling instills discipline much like the military, shaping his character both on and off the mat. After graduation, he plans to commission and attend Officer Training School to become a fighter pilot in the U.S. Air Force — a goal he's been chasing since childhood and one that reflects his determination, focus, and passion for service.

