

# COLLEGE of CHARLESTON

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## SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

*HSS Scholar*

# Amber Joyner

**MAJOR:** HISTORY

**MINORS:** AFRICAN STUDIES AND  
ANTHROPOLOGY

**Educational Highlights:** I have thoroughly enjoyed my time at the College of Charleston. Charleston is a great place to live, and an even better place to study the discipline of history. Through the influence of many brilliant historical scholars, I have become completely infatuated by the study of the past. I have had the honor of participating in the National African Union in Washington, D.C. in February of 2012. In the spring semester of 2013, I was inducted into *Phi Alpha Theta*, The National History Honor Society.

**Research Focus or Project:** I began doing research on Mozambican History my sophomore year at the College of Charleston. Since my initial interest, I have become increasingly captivated by the role of the Portuguese Prime Minister, António de Oliveira Salazar, and the Estado Novo regime in the late colonial period. I have completed an independent study that focused on the textile industry in Portugal during the Estado Novo regime in Portugal. My senior thesis focused on the integral role of António de Oliveira Salazar in the late colonial period with regards to both the textile industry in Portugal and the nature of forced cotton cultivation in Mozambique.

**Future Plans:** In light of the support and encouragement of the history and African studies departments at the College of Charleston, I intend to apply for a Ph.D. program in African history, with a focus on the late colonial period of Lusophone, Africa. I plan to attend graduate school in fall of 2014 and obtain a degree that will further my knowledge of Portuguese colonialism and lead to a career in academia.



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