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Fastweb's Student Contributors share their personal insights on important student topics

Weston, MA (September 18, 2018) – Fastweb announces its seventh annual <u>Student Contributor series</u>, a program designed for student writers to share their first-hand experiences on the topics that matter most to their peers. Fastweb (<u>www.fastweb.com</u>), a member of the Monster network, is the leading website for scholarship and financial aid information.

The Student Contributors team addresses topics for all student levels that include; managing college applications, admissions decision making, scholarship tips and many more student-centric topics. Additionally, they share their student life experiences from a high school, college and graduate school perspective.

"We look forward to another year of dynamic and relevant articles from our diverse Student Contributors team" said Mark Nelson, Vice President, Fastweb. "These student writers provide unique insights into their personal experience through their articles, and we believe our students benefit from the experience of their peers as they work toward meeting their college objectives".

In June, Fastweb began conducting outreach to extend the opportunity to apply for the 2018-19 Student Contributor series to all its members. Applicants were required to provide a brief personal summary, as well as a 250-word writing sample on a topic relating to their experience with the scholarship, financial aid or admission process. The 2018-19 Student Contributor team was selected from the many talented writers who applied. Here is this year's team:

- Mary Bellm, College Freshman, Truman State University
- Osasere Ewansiha, High School Senior, J. Frank Dobie High School
- Aleena Islam, High School Sophomore, Panther Creek High School
- Emma Lynch, College Sophomore, Appalachian State University
- Cherish Recera, College Sophomore, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
- Vanessa Salazar, College Freshman, Mount St. Mary's University
- Samantha Starkey, Graduate Student, Emerson College
- Shreya Thalvayapati, High School Sophomore, Hopkinton High School

Get to know this year's talented team of Student Contributors and read their current articles on Fastweb.

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About Fastweb:

Fastweb, a top site in the Monster network, is the nation's recognized leader in helping students pay for school, by providing scholarship and financial aid information, as well as information on jobs and internships. As the oldest and most popular free online scholarship matching service, one out of three college-bound seniors use the site and more than 50 million users have benefitted from Fastweb's information and services. Fastweb lets students create personalized profiles that can be matched against its expansive databases of colleges and scholarships. To learn more about Fastweb, visit www.fastweb.com and follow Fastweb on social media for the latest on paying for school all year long: Twitter (at @PayingForSchool); Facebook; Pinterest; Google+.

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