



# Associated Colleges of Illinois

**Brandon Skovronski**  
**Monmouth College**  
**ACI General Scholarship**

Brandon Skovronski transferred to [Monmouth College](#), Monmouth, Illinois this past year, because he knew the school had a great reputation and had a chance to play on the school's baseball team. Unfortunately, Skovronski had some health issues that prevented him from playing this past school year, but he hopes to play again in the future.



From nearby Aledo, Illinois, Skovronski says he was originally a biology major. He had hopes of being a pediatrician but changed his mind. Now a kinesiology major, Skovronski is focused on becoming a physical therapist and hopes to attend PT school after Monmouth College.

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"I love sports medicine, so I would want to be a sports medicine-physical therapy person," he says. "Probably more like an athletic trainer or a team doctor." Skovronski knows people who are physical therapists working in sports medicine, plus he's experienced physical therapy firsthand through his sports career. "Being exposed to it a lot makes me understand why I like it so much and why I want to keep going forward with it," he says.

Skovronski is the recipient of an ACI General Scholarship, which helps him and his family meet tuition costs. His father pays tuition and other expenses. "Anything I need moneywise, food, car expenditures things like that, fall on him," says Skovronski. "With the medical issues we've had, we've had bills to pay and school bills were racking up. There was a point where I was almost actually financially dismissed from the institution, because we didn't have the funds."

The ACI scholarship was significant, he says. "When I was told about the scholarship, it actually made the difference. Without the scholarship, we still wouldn't have it paid off as much as we do. So, the scholarship actually saved me. It's honestly changed my life. I appreciate it."

Despite not being able to play baseball this year, Skovronski did other things to support the Monmouth baseball program. At home, he volunteers his time at the YMCA as a softball coach and umpire. "I volunteer whenever I can honestly. If there's a volunteer opportunity, I usually take advantage of that," he adds.