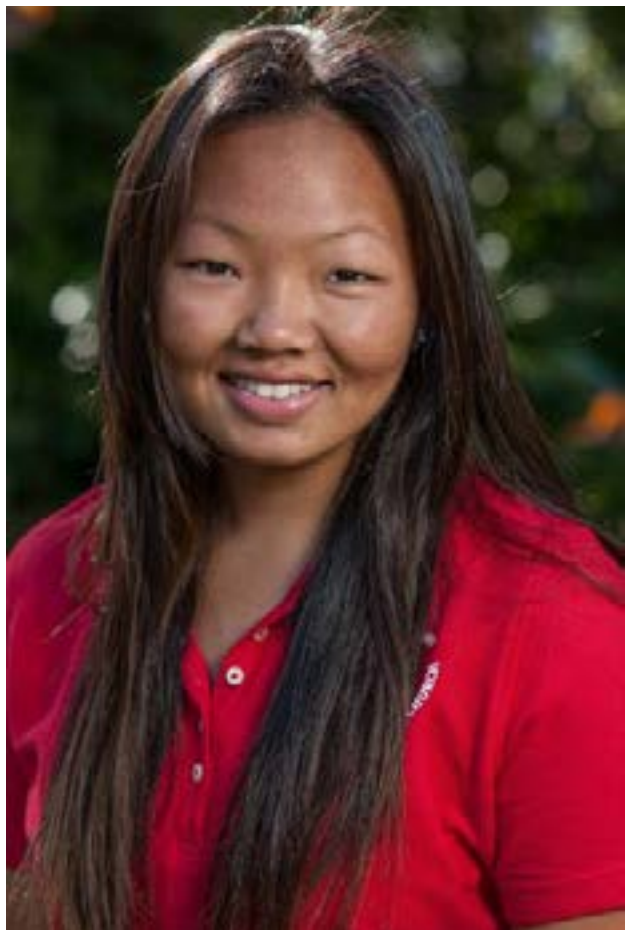


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Hi! My name is Kristen Young and I was born and raised in Honolulu, Hawaii. I recently graduated from the University of Hawaii in May 2016 with degrees in Family Resources and Spanish. A few of the things that bring me joy in life are singing and playing music, being outdoors, documenting memories, and building relationships with people.

I grew up attending a United Church of Christ (UCC) church with my family and had the opportunity to work as a youth ministry intern at Nuuanu Congregational Church (also a UCC church) for three years since 2013. Through working in this context, I've discovered how much I enjoy not only being part of a faith community, but also being active in it and journeying with those whom I am in ministry with.

As a Young Adult Volunteer in Peru, I am hoping to gain experience working with an organization, improve my Spanish skills, learn about the issues affecting the local community, connect with new people, and discern what my next steps will be. I know this year of service will bring so much more than I can even hope for and I am looking forward to finding out.