

## **Ohemaa Asibuo**

Scholarly Bio: Ohemaa Asibuo is a junior from Accra, Ghana who is an International Relations major with a concentration in Americas and International Political Economy and a minor in Spanish at Syracuse University. She is currently studying abroad in Santiago, Chile where she is conducting research on victims of the military dictatorship with the help of the Museum of Memory and Human Rights. Her research will be used to support future museum exhibitions.

### **Abstract:**

Pinochet's dictatorship lasted from 1973 to 1990, but its implications transcend time. During the dictatorship, close to 30,000 people were detained, tortured, or disappeared. These statistics facilitate the generalization and neglect of the serious human rights violations suffered by these victims. By highlighting individual cases from different social groups, we can better understand how widespread the violence of this dictatorship was and commemorate the identities and experiences of these victims. These victims came from very different occupations, political ideologies, and social classes, demonstrating the diverse motives behind state-sponsored violence. By examining various cases, we can gain a deeper understanding of how and why this violence spread so rapidly as well as reduce the anonymity that comes with using statistics to convey the experiences of victims.