

## You Might Be Surprised!

When you picture MLC, what do you think of? A family of believers, a focus on Jesus, a beautiful campus? No surprises there. It's all those things! But we think you might be pleasantly surprised by a few other cool things upon your arrival here. Let's see what some student ambassadors discovered.



**You will definitely fit in:** I honestly didn't know if I would fit in here. My skills aren't the same as most people here, and I don't have called worker parents, but everyone here cares about me and wants to be my friend and genuinely makes me feel like part of a huge family.

Nathan Pausma (WLA / St. Luke-Oakfield WI)

**You won't feel stifled:** I expected MLC to have a more "small-town" feel, which I was not super excited about. But I really enjoy that I know many of the community members, and I have a close connection with my coworkers off campus. And I can go to Mankato, just 30 minutes away, and hit all the essential stops—like Target and Olive Garden.

Lydia Krenke (Lakeside LHS / St. John-Jefferson WI)



**You'll find your people:** If you like watching movies, join the Film Critic Club. If you like playing sports but not working out, play Spikeball or tennis after school. There are so many clubs and groups at MLC that it's easy to find other people who enjoy similar things!

Alyssa Heckendorf (FVL / Light of the Valleys-Reno NV)



**It's not cliquey:** When people think of a small campus, they think of gossip everywhere and cliquey kids who don't talk to others. But it's the complete opposite. Everyone here is so beyond respectful of each other and so open to being friends with everyone.

Hailey Rice (*RML / Living Hope-Denver*)

**You'll discover amazing resources:** I was pleasantly surprised when I realized we had full access to the New Ulm Recreation Center—all for free! I've gone swimming there, used the workout facility, and attended the cardio dance class with friends!



Natalie Luebke (KML / Trinity-West Bend WI)

**It's not that far:** Being six hours away from home really is not as bad as it seems. Don't get me wrong—I love my family dearly, but it is much easier to make that transition when you're welcomed into this new family atmosphere, where everyone is united in training for ministry.

Jordyn Heckendorf (KML / Shepherd of the Hills-West Bend WI)

## You might just enjoy the homework: I

never thought I would enjoy doing homework as much as I do. Yes, sometimes studying for a Greek quiz at 1 in the morning is not the most enjoyable thing in the world. However, the fact that what I'm studying is so specific to what I'm going to be doing as a pastor one day is very rewarding. I never thought I'd be



able to use knowledge from physics class as a pastor, but sure enough, there are connections! Who knew?

**Ryan Boggs** (LPS / St. Luke-Watertown WI)

**It really isn't scary:** I honestly expected college to be scary and challenging. I was nervous about living away from home and trying to navigate the independence given to me. When I got here, I realized that I had nothing to be worried about because of the wonderful friends God surrounded me with.

Kate Mensching (LPS / St. Luke-Watertown WI)