

What Makes MLC So Special?

Hey, Knight Nation! Tomorrow is Commencement and Call Day! Exciting! Before our seniors turn the tassel, we asked a few of them to tell us what made MLC so special for them—and what they're looking forward to next! Give it a read!



Hannah Esmay (LPS / St. John-Waterloo WI) Early Childhood Ed

Friends! MLC was really special because it's incredible to be surrounded by Christian friends and to worship with them! I'll greatly miss living with these incredible women. While living

in a dorm can have its challenges, I'm blessed beyond measure to have had this experience!

She's Waited a Long Time: I'm absolutely thrilled to be receiving a call. I've wanted to be a teacher for a very long time, and I've been so eager to graduate ever since I started here—really! I'm definitely nervous to be on my own, but I know God has a plan, and he knows where I need to be!



Max Nordlie

(*MLS / Divine Grace-Lake Orion MI*) Biblical Languages

This Christian Community: It's incredibly encouraging to be surrounded by people who devote their lives to gospel ministry. There aren't many

other places in this world with that same privilege. And I'll never forget how every single faculty member displayed how much they cared about *their* ministries, and how much they cared about every single student's development toward *their* ministries. I was surrounded by called workers I could look up to and who modeled being a godly pastor, professor, husband, and father.

Next Year? Seminary! Not only do I feel very equipped to take the next step, but I also feel very encouraged to go there. The professors here talk about how much they loved their time at the seminary back in their day, and they encourage us daily with how much God will be able to do with us in the ministry. There is nothing but support from MLC and the seminary, which makes me eager to go!



Aaron Bode (ALA /Emmanuel-Tempe AZ) Elementary Ed / Coaching

A Family! MLC feels like a big family. You know so many people. It feels like a second home. And you'll meet some of the most important people in your life here.

The Excitement Is Building: The excitement is building as we get closer to Call Day and as you and your friends guess where you might end up. It's a slightly scary thought, not knowing where I'll be living next year, but I know the Lord is in control and he'll bless me wherever I go.



Anna Borgwardt

(WLA / Redeemer-Fond du Lac) Elementary Ed

Sports: I loved playing on the soccer team with people who've become such great friends. It's unique to know that my teammates in college are also going to be coworkers in ministry with me one day.

Incredible Worship: I'll never forget the opening services. The Chapel of the Christ is packed, and at the end everyone sings "God's Word Is Our Great Heritage." The organ drops out, and hundreds of Christians sing out in four-part harmony. I get goosebumps every time. It's a great reminder that we're all one in mission, and God is with us and will bless us at MLC.



William Costin

(*Nebraska LHS / Mt. Olive-Lincoln NE*) Secondary Social Studies Ed

The Professors Care: Whether it's President Gurgel knowing everyone's name or other professors going out of their way to help students, it's clear how much they care.

It's Going to Be Great! I can't wait for Call Day, though I'm definitely nervous about it. I'm excited to see where God sends me, knowing it'll be great wherever I end up!