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Aisha Dahabreh '22

Major: Chemistry

“Thank you for believing in me enough to invest in my future.”

Favorite Professor:

My favorite professor goes by ‘Cooper’. She is a very nice, sweet, understanding, and wonderful professor.

Favorite Arcadia Class:

My favorite class was Organic Chemistry because I loved the learning experience and Professor Mascavage was a great professor.

Favorite Arcadia Experience:

My favorite Arcadia experience was being able to hang out and make a best friend who is studying the same course I am. Because we are doing this together, we are able to motivate and support one another along the way!



David Figueroa '22

Candidate: Doctor of Physical Therapy

“Your generosity has made it possible for me to get the best education here at Arcadia and with less stress about my financial situation.”

Favorite Arcadia Class:

My favorite Arcadia class so far has been PT672 where we were able to look into acute care Physical Therapy and what that entails! I am looking into going into acute care physical therapy so it grabbed my interest right away!

Favorite Arcadia Experience:

My favorite experience has been working at the Arcadia University PT Pro Bono clinic! It was amazing to apply the knowledge that we have learned while getting to serve our community that is constantly under-served.



Emily Heang '24

Major: English

"I am able to attend my dream college because of you."

Favorite Professor:

My favorite professor is Matthew Heitzmann. Each lesson is spaced out enough for my mental health and they are enjoyable.

Favorite Arcadia Class:

My favorite class is African American Short Story. This class is the most enlightening when it comes to the history of oppression that Black people face in America.

Favorite Arcadia Experience:

My favorite experience has been orientation. I was extremely anxious about meeting people over Zoom and how awkward I might come off, but the students that facilitated it were very nice and understanding!



Grace Rieser '23

Major: Psychology

"You allow me to get the best education possible and make memories with the amazing people I've met. Your support makes this all possible. I value my Arcadia experience and I can't wait to see what my future holds!"

Favorite Professor:

My favorite professor is Frankie Mallis. I loved taking her classes my first year!

Favorite Arcadia Class:

I'm currently in a class called Serial Killers and it is very interesting.

Favorite Arcadia Experience:

My favorite experience was meeting my roommate my first year. We are still great friends.



Haylee Harper '24

Major: Psychology

“Your financial support helped make my dreams of being a DIII athlete and a psychology student possible!”

Favorite Arcadia Class:

My favorite Arcadia classes were definitely Introduction to Psychology and English 101. Introduction to Psychology has been such an incredible and interesting course. Learning about the way we think of others and how our brain processes trauma, there have been so many topics that have grown my love for Psychology. I also loved my English 101 course because I love to write, especially when I am able to pick my own topics with few boundaries. In this class, I was able to grow in my writing and find different ways to express emotions through the writing assignments.



Jasmine Jean-Mary '22

Major: Biology

“I value my Arcadia experience because it has taught me the importance of taking a step out of my comfort zone in order to grow and reach my full potential.”

Favorite Arcadia Class:

My favorite class at Arcadia was my first-year seminar, Bodies in Motion. The course was about the movement of the human body and how different body systems communicate together to express voluntary actions. A lot of the class consisted of moving and actively participating in activities to learn concepts first-hand, which I really liked. Everything I learned also directly relates to what I want to be when I graduate - a physical therapist.

Favorite Arcadia Experience:

My favorite Arcadia experience has to be going to Costa Rica with my Preview class freshman year.



Julia Hardesty '24

Major: PreK-4/Special Education PreK-12

“I am very lucky that I have the honor of one day working with special education individuals and the joy that they release into the world. Thank you again for your graciousness.”

Favorite Arcadia Class:

My favorite class at Arcadia is ED110: Teaching For Learning. Dr. Marc Brasof is an incredible professor and person, who makes me feel like my thoughts and ideas are valued, which is very encouraging. His class involves a lot of group collaboration class discussions that make the students feel very in control of their own learning.

Favorite Arcadia Experience:

My favorite Arcadia experience is the opportunity to be involved in choir and to be with people who share the same love for music as I do.



Kaede Rende '21

Major: English

“Arcadia taught me to advocate for myself, encouraged me to try new things, like studying and interning abroad, and provided me with the support to secure a job and seek a Master’s degree. Your financial support helps make this possible.”

Favorite Arcadia Class:

My favorite class was my first-year seminar course, M, F, or Other? Questioning Gender. This class allowed me to learn a lot about critical thinking and a lot about myself. This class changed my life so much that I went back and Peer Mentored the course for two years.

Favorite Arcadia Experience:

Orientation! I worked as an Orientation Leader for one year and served on the Orientation Planning Team for two years. Orientation allowed me to find my passion for Higher Education, and I am forever grateful!



Katherine (Kate) Lisotta '21

Major: Psychology

“Every person I met and every experience I had has shaped who I am today. Your generosity is not something I take for granted.”

Favorite Arcadia Experience:

My favorite Arcadia class was probably Music, Art, & Memory. It was an honors course that involved a community component. Every week, we went to a local nursing home. We were paired with an older person living in the senior living community. I had Gladys, who is a wonderful woman and opened my eyes to a lot. I am considering becoming a geriatric social worker partially because of this program. Everyone in that class, especially our professor Ellen Murphey, was welcoming, accepting, and open to communication. Every Honors program course, and most of my psychology classes, have had a long-term impact on who I am as a person.



Kayla Stuart Porter '21

Major: PreK-4/Spec Ed PreK-8

“Arcadia taught me to educate our next generation, encouraged me to try new things, like living abroad fresh out of high school, and provided me with the support to become the educator I’ve always hoped to be.”

Favorite Professor:

Kathy Trainor is my favorite professor because she has always been there for me and has been a huge support throughout my Arcadia career.

Favorite Arcadia Experience:

My favorite experience was attending First-Year Study Abroad Experience (FYSAE) London in 2017. I met amazing people and had the opportunity to learn and grow a lot during my stay.



Maya Stern '21

Major: Criminal Justice

“Your generosity helps to ensure that regardless of my financial ability, I can receive the best possible experience at Arcadia.”

Favorite Professor:

My favorite professor at Arcadia is Dr. Favian Guertin-Martin. He is incredibly kind, passionate, and educated on important subjects.

Favorite Arcadia Class:

My favorite Arcadia Class was Crimes of the Powerful and Privileged. It helped educate me on white collar crime.

Favorite Arcadia Experience:

My favorite Arcadia experience was going to Greece on Preview because I was able to travel outside of the country for the first time, and I made lifelong friends.



Melanie Stafford '22

Candidate: Master's in Secondary Education

“The cost of pursuing a graduate degree has been prohibitive for me for so long and is still quite a burden. This generous financial gift helps me to reduce that burden.”

Favorite Arcadia Class:

My favorite class so far has been Intro to Instructional Technology. My professor, Victoria Waskiewicz, gave many challenging and interesting assignments to help me learn how to integrate technology into my teaching practice.

Favorite Professor:

So far, my favorite professor is Timothy Clarke. In his Intro to Inclusive Education class, Tim was superb at facilitating a classroom environment where all students' voices were heard. Even in the virtual classroom, he was a caring and competent teacher.



Mia Woo '21

Major: Studio Art/Ceramics

“Without financial support, my Arcadia experience may not have been possible.”

Favorite Arcadia Class:

I have loved all of my Ceramics classes. Both of my ceramics professors have been so encouraging. I have developed great relationships with them both, and they have also challenged me in ways that have allowed me to develop exponentially as an artist and as a person.

Favorite Arcadia Experience:

First-Year Study Abroad Experience was definitely one of my favorite Arcadia opportunities. I loved going to London during my first year. To study abroad was truly a life-changing experience. I gained a lot of confidence and independence from the experience and saw parts of the world that I wouldn't have had the opportunity to see if I hadn't gone through Arcadia.



Noelle Mullens '23

Major: PreK-4/Special Ed PreK-12

“I value my Arcadia experience because even with the pandemic going on, Arcadia has still supported me to succeed.”

Favorite Arcadia Experience:

One of my favorite Arcadia experiences was Orientation week. During orientation week, it was only first-years on campus, and I got to meet so many new people and people who have become very close friends. I will never forget being able to walk around campus and seeing so many different people and events going on. This experience has encouraged me to open up and meet new people.



Noxolo Heleni '21

Major: Business Administration

“Your financial support has helped me become a role model for my two young boys, and I will be able to provide a better life for them.”

Favorite Professor:

Dr. Halpin is my favorite professor because she is helpful and wants everyone to succeed. I'll also say that Professor Brinker is another favorite professor of mine because he keeps his class fun and engaging.

Favorite Arcadia Class:

While I have enjoyed most of my classes because I just love learning something new, I would say that my favorite class was Business English. This was my favorite class because by the end of the semester I discovered things I did not know about myself. I never thought an English class could teach me about myself.



Olivia Wyckoff '23

Major: Biology, Pre-Nursing

“Thank you for all of your support and for believing in me to pursue my dreams and have a better education!”

Favorite Professor:

My favorite Arcadia Professor is Professor Visinsky. She is very open and transparent in the classroom. She treats each student as an adult and gives us responsibilities for which we must hold ourselves accountable. She also was the teacher in one of my favorite classes, Hunger Games and Society. Overall, she is understanding and given the chance to take another course with her, I would gladly do so!



Paige Schoelkopf '22

Candidate: Doctor of Physical Therapy

“Thank you for supporting my future.”

Favorite Arcadia Class:

My favorite Arcadia class was the stroke unit. I enjoyed it and look forward to the upcoming stroke unit for chronic neurological conditions. This clinic allows me to combine my neuroscience degree from undergrad with PT.

Favorite Arcadia Experience:

The cadaver lab has been such a valuable experience in learning the human body because you cannot get more real. It is something that took some getting used to, but as a visual learner, it has been so helpful in learning anatomy.



Pamela Ojopi '22

Major: Scientific Illustration with
Pre-Med Emphasis

“Because of Arcadia, I’ve become more confident and strong and know what I deserve and what I want in life...Your financial support has helped to make this possible.”

Favorite Arcadia Class:

My favorite class was Intro to Graphic Design. In the beginning, I always was afraid to do digital art and tried to avoid it as much as possible since it wasn't a skill that I had. But because it was one of my requirements that I had to take, I was able to conquer my fear and take this class, which has changed my perception of it. This class was one of my favorites. Digital art has now become one of my favorite art styles and a skill I use in most of my artwork.



Rebecca Woodall '22

Major: Theatre Arts

“Arcadia has taught me to make connections with people from diverse backgrounds, encouraged me to try new things that challenge my world views, and provided me with the support to express myself through artistic endeavors.”

Favorite Arcadia Class:

Playwriting was my favorite class because it forced me to be creative, and it challenged me in ways that have improved my skills as a writer.

Favorite Arcadia Experience:

My favorite experience has been getting to perform in the virtual show *Click* because it was such a unique way to hone my skills as an actor, and the script dealt with topics I care about.



Shahryar Shaikh '22

Major: Business Administration

“I value my Arcadia experience because it provided me with the foundations to pursue a professional career. Without this financial support, my Arcadia experience would not be possible.”

Favorite Professor:

My favorite professor is Judge Cerski. He is a very genuine man with clear passion for what he teaches and strives for all of his students' success. He's a very down-to-earth person and all-in-all a great mentor and professor.

Favorite Arcadia Class:

Business Law is where I found my passion for business law and my desire to pursue it as a career.



Taylor Carrico '21

Major: Art History

“Thank you for taking a chance on me at the start of my college career. Were it not for your generosity, I would not have been able to have the variety of experiences at Arcadia that wound up being fundamental to who I have become.”

Favorite Arcadia Class:

My favorite Arcadia class was my Latin American art class. For so long, I've wanted to study non-European art and get exposure to more than just the standards of my field. With the Latin American art history course, I was consistently engaged to the point that it has become the focus of my thesis and has revitalized my interest in my degree.



Teresa Ontiveros '21

Major: Computer Science

“My Arcadia experience has taught me to persevere, to try new things, like attend the Grace Hopper Conference, and to do anything that I wish to be a part of.”

Favorite Professor:

I would have to say my favorite Arcadia Professor is actually the entire Computer Science and Math Department. Each professor in the Department has aided in my undergraduate journey. When I was a Mathematics major the first two years, Professor Zheng and Professor Ortiz pushed me to pursue mathematics and to work hard despite my struggles in the courses. They saw my potential and always supported me academically. Once I realized that Mathematics was not something I was passionate about, the transition to Computer Science was seamless because of Professor Jia and Professor Ford. They have made such a huge impact on who I have become.



Thalia Vega '23

Major: PreK-4/Special Ed PreK-12

“I value my Arcadia experience because it was my dream school, and it continues to be the best place that I have ever chosen in my life. Thank you for making it possible.”

Favorite Arcadia Class:

My favorite class at Arcadia was my first-year seminar, which was the Harry Potter class with Professor Arras. This class was amazing because I loved re-reading the books and writing about something I love. We also did amazing hands-on projects, which allowed us to think outside of the box. Many of the projects were made from the students' hearts because everyone was so creative! I loved the projects because I was able to see everyone's creativity within Harry Potter.



Veronica Pratt-Monroe '23

Major: Criminal Justice

“I never ever thought college was an option for me. I have always wanted to pursue higher education, but I knew I couldn't afford it. Thank you for making my dreams come true.”

Favorite Professor:

Paul Hetznecker showed me how I can use my passion for social justice to make a change in the world. He inspired me to change my major to criminal justice because of that.

Favorite Arcadia Class:

My favorite class was Poetry. The professor and students were all such talented writers. I learned so much from them.

Favorite Arcadia Experience:

Meeting new friends in the dorm was my favorite experience.



Veronica Reid '24

Major: Business

“Thank you for making my Arcadia education possible.”

Favorite Professor:

Dina Pinsky is my favorite professor at Arcadia because she is very easy to talk to and welcoming. She’s also very understanding with situations that are affected by COVID-19.

Favorite Arcadia Class:

My favorite class at Arcadia is the Gender Studies course I am currently taking. It’s very interesting and informing about topics I had not known much about prior.

Favorite Arcadia Experience:

This semester, my English class and I were able to have a Zoom meeting with Stephanie Land, the author of *Maid*.



Yohanny Leyba '24

Major: Sociology

“Your generosity helps to ensure that, regardless of my financial ability, I can receive the best possible experience and education at Arcadia University.”

Favorite Professor:

My favorite professor is Dina Pinsky because she has such a great way to teach her lessons. The topics that we talk about in class can be sensitive, and she makes sure that everyone is comfortable and respected in every way possible. When we discuss our own personal stories, she is very appreciative and listens to them well.

Favorite Arcadia Experience:

My favorite Arcadia experience was presenting an advocacy project to President Ajay Nair as part of the civic scholars program.

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From all of us in the Division of University Advancement at Arcadia University, we thank you for believing in the potential of our bright, talented, and promising students.

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