



Alumni Q&A Spotlight – Brooklyn Fredricks

Graduation year from Legacy: 2016

Number of years you attended Legacy: 5 years

College/university attending: Oral Roberts University

Year in college: Senior

Degree plan: Business Management

Scholarships/recognitions/awards for college or while in college: University Honor's Fellow, President's Honor Roll, Provost's Honor Roll

Career/future plans after graduating college: I would like to work for about 3-5 years in the Tulsa, OK area in order to gain experience in business before going to a university in Houston for my MBA. After completing my MBA, I want to use business to aid with the development of impoverished communities and people groups.

Extra-curricular activities/organizations while in college: Study abroad in Paris, France; ORU Missions team to Brazil; ORU Chaplain program; prayer room worship band member; president of Enactus (a social entrepreneurship club)

Jobs while in college: student worker for an ORU Business as Missions organization; study advisor for ORU Study Abroad

What are you enjoying about your college experience? I love getting to learn from and have fun with my roommates and the other life-long friends I've made.

How do you feel your time at Legacy helped prepare you for college? Legacy's culture taught me a lot about making and keeping good friends. It also prepared me for a college schedule by helping me get used to having lots of homework!

How was your adjustment to the college schedule based on coming from a university-model school? It was relatively smooth, as I didn't feel confused or overwhelmed by a schedule where I attend lectures only 2-3 times a week and am responsible for homework throughout the week. Transitioning to college, especially a college out-of-state like ORU, is always difficult emotionally for a student. It was nice that I didn't have the stress of learning a new format to add to this difficulty!

What are some of your fond memories/favorite experiences while at Legacy? I loved events with my high school class! A highlight was one time we had a "pie day" (3/14) celebration at a classmate's house, where we each made different pies together. The night ended in us racing around outside and throwing whipped cream at each other. I still talk about that night with some of my dearest friends who I made during my time at Legacy!

If you had to describe Legacy in one or two sentences to somebody, what would you say? Having community at school is important, but so is being with your parents and siblings. Legacy's excellent model allows you to be a part of a thriving school community while still having time to be with and learn from your family.

How does your spiritual life play a role in your college experience? My spiritual life has been an absolutely integral part of my college experience. College is difficult. The Lord helped me through many different seasons of feeling overwhelmed with my work and responsibilities and taught me what it is to truly rest along the way.

Do you feel Legacy helped to grow you spiritually and for doing God's work? Yes, I believe so. One of the most important parts of my experience at Legacy was the teachers who loved me and my class deeply. They genuinely wanted us to learn because they genuinely cared about us, and I believe that foundation has helped me be much more successful in school and in life.

