



Kristin Strijdom

High School: St Andrew's High School for Girls
Hometown: Johannesburg, South Africa
Majors: B.S. Business Administration
Activities: Feld Hockey, Intramural Co-ed Basketball, Volunteer at Campus Hub, Senior Analyst in Marauder Fund, Omicron Delta Kappa Society, Tutor and Facility Attendant.
Post-grad plans: To attend grad school to obtain my masters degree.



“Kristin Strijdom is a personable young woman who was my student a few years ago. During that semester, she demonstrated her dedication to her studies and her out-of-class responsibilities. As an international student from South Africa, she met and overcame her unique challenges and an international student. Kirstin served as an exemplar for others to follow - not limited to her classmates but to other individuals as well. I know she will succeed in her graduate studies and in her professional and personal life. I am very glad and proud to have had her in my class. I wish her the best.”

*– Dr. Joseph J. Galante, CFE
Professor of Accounting & Taxation
Dept. of Accounting & Finance*

Why Millersville?

The beautiful campus and facilities that the university has to offer as well as level of sports and opportunities provided at the institution.

Who helped you get to where you are now?

My family and friends back in South Africa, my coach Shelly Behrens, my teammates, my friends here at Millersville, and my professors.

Peak experience?

Winning the PSAC semi-final field hockey game against one of the top seeded teams, Shippensburg in the last minute of the game.

Are you where you thought you'd be when you first came to campus?

Not at all. I was nervous when I first arrived contemplating if I had made the right decision to study overseas. I was also hesitant if I'd be able to make a life for myself in the US and at Millersville and I am very proud of myself for what I have achieved and where I am today but it would not have been possible without the amazing experiences I have had and the special people I met along the way who were able to help me get to where I am today. I have made unforgettable memories that are far beyond what I could ever have imagined. This decision forced me to grow and become independent which I am so grateful for as I feel more prepared for life.

What will you miss the most?

The whole atmosphere and college experience. I loved being able to live close to my friends and have independence. I will also miss being able to see my friends and playing sports everyday.

What surprised you?

The professors because they really care about the students and take the time of day to learn and get to know them throughout the semesters.

Which one(s) of the EPPiIC values of Millersville do you most identify with? Or which of the values do you think best describes your time here at Millersville?

I would definitely have to say exploration, integrity and compassion.

Advice for the Class of 2028?

College may seem daunting at first but it flies by in the blink of an eye so take every opportunity that comes your way. Make the most memories you can.

