

Chris Murphy '15 arrived at Millersville University during the start of his sophomore year, after spending his freshman year at TCU (Texas Christian University). Murphy finished his career at Millersville with a 33-4 record, a 2.07 ERA, 278 innings pitched and 235 strikeouts. He set career records for wins, innings pitched, starts, and winning percentage.

Murphy was also a part of the 2015 PSAC Championship team and was drafted by the Houston Astros in the 2015 Amateur Draft. Murphy loved his time at Millersville and appreciated the support of Coach Shehan and Coach Forrest. Murphy says, "Without them I don't know if I would have had the opportunity to be drafted. What the coaches have done with this program, and continue to do, is unbelievable. Coach Shehan has a real love for this school and the game of baseball. He makes that very apparent every day."

When Murphy was drafted, he was playing golf with his father and brother at a niece's school tournament. Originally, he was assigned to play for the Greeneville Astros of the Appalachian League. Murphy spent the first two months of pro ball there, and then was promoted to the Tri-City Valleycats, the Short Season A team for the Astros.

Murphy finished out the summer with the Valleycats, reporting a 3-1 record, 2.25 ERA, 40 strikeouts and only 7 walks. Although there is an adjustment from college to pro ball, he was lucky enough to have great teammates that continue to provide support and friendship. While Murphy reminds us that baseball is considered a job, it is very hard for him to see it that way. Murphy states, "Millersville University has greatly prepared me for this step in my life and I could not be more appreciative of what Millersville has done for me."