

## **CLASS OF 2020 ACADEMIC HONOREES:**

## **College of Education**



**Lauren Castellanos** (*Liberal Studies*) *GPA: 3.59, Cum* – "Lauren demonstrated diligence and effective communication skills throughout her time at HIU. Her passion on the sports field and in the classroom will take you far as a future educator. I look forward to seeing how the Lord works in her future!" – Lindsay Blume, Adjunct Assistant Professor of Education



**Kyla Kincaid** (*Liberal Studies*) *GPA: 3.52, Cum/Pi Beta Sigma* – "Kyla was an excellent student and committed athlete. She was always ready with a plan and did a great job making it work out! I know that her drive and enthusiasm will continue to open doors for her to new and exciting challenges." - Karen Clark, Chair, Liberal Studies Department; Chair, Associate Professor of Education and Liberal Studies



Faith Lucas (*Liberal Studies*) *GPA*: 3.67, *Cum* – "Faith Lucas came to HIU for her senior year. She was committed to the process, worked diligently and with integrity. Faith, you finished well! Congratulations!" – Cori DeWitt, Assistant Professor of Education and Credential Analyst



Katy McGuire (Liberal Studies) GPA: 3.87, Magna/Pi Beta Sigma – "Katy McGuire is a bright, motivated person. She studied Math and Science with the goal of teaching Middle School students. She is a very effective tutor and communicates difficult concepts with simplicity and clarity. She challenged herself at HIU to overcome uncertainties in her effective pursuit of knowledge and distinction. We are proud of you, Katy, and will watch your career with pride and pleasure." – Sandy Kavanaugh, Associate Professor of Mathematics



**Karina Oddo** (*Liberal Studies*) *GPA*: 4.00 – "Karina is a conscientious student and in turn is a conscientious teacher. She is interested in learning new ways to engage with students and improve herself as a teacher. She is an asset to the teaching profession and her students are lucky to have a teacher that takes her own learning seriously." – Nancy Stichter, Adjunct Assistant Professor of Education



Jenny Rodriguez (Liberal Studies) GPA: 4.00, Summa/Pi Beta Sigma – "Jenny Rodriguez is a delightful scholar who skillfully, masterfully accomplishes course requirements but also goes above and beyond to contribute valuable insight to class discussion. Many times, Jenny would offer a unique and intellectually mature perspective to the topics brought about by the assigned literature. I did my best to convince her to change majors, just so she could participate in more of my classes! She is most worthy of high honors for her academic success." - Dr. Natalie Hewitt, Ph.D. Professor of English