

Ethan DeVries

Nichole Devries



Major: Spanish

Hometown: Allendale, MI

What is an interesting fact about you? "I spent six months last year in Peru!"

What initially attracted you to the FYRES course? "I love to be at the beach and see how beaches and dunes change."

What is a highlight from your time in Geography 181 thus far? "The lab periods out on the dunes have been great. It's very interesting to apply class-learning to actual research."

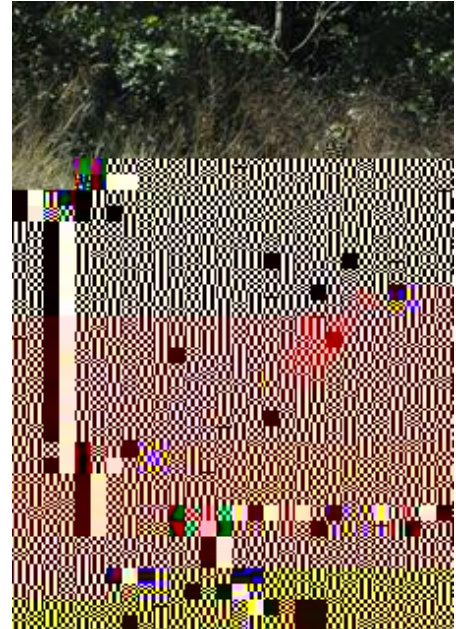
Jonathan Gorter

Major: International Development and Environmental Studies

Hometown: Cutlerville, MI

What initially attracted you to the FYRES course? "The opportunity to study in the field of Michigan's dunes."

What is a highlight from your time in Geography 181 thus far? "Setting-up research equipment on a foredune."



Lincoln Grevengeod

Major: Geology

Hometown: Vero Beach, FL

What initially attracted you to the FYRES course? "The chance to get some field experience." experience

Abigail Hocking

Major: International Development and Psychology

Hometown: Highland, MI

What is an interesting fact about you? "I enjoy writing and reading poetry and hope to be published one day."

What initially attracted you to the FYRES course? "I loved the idea of being able to actually get out of the classroom and conduct my learning while being immersed

Megan Koopman



Major: Business Marketing

Hometown: Grand Rapids, MI

What is an interesting fact about you? "I can whistle through my teeth."

What initially attracted you to the FYRES course? "I love the dunes in Michigan and I also enjoy hand-on research, so this class seemed like a great fit."

What is a highlight from your time in Geography 181 thus far? "I really love just being on the dunes, but one specific one is walking back in the water on a beautiful day after surveying in the hot sand."

Eric Medema

Major: Business Marketing

Hometown: Ada, MI

What initially attracted you to the FYRES course? "The outdoor and off-campus aspect, as well as the dunes, because who doesn't like the dunes."

What is a highlight from your time in Geography 181 thus far? "Just being out at the dunes soaking up the rays."



Joel Newswanger



Major: Environmental Science

Hometown: Manchester, KY

What initially attracted you to the FYRES course? "Doing lab outside."

What is a highlight from your time in Geography 181 thus far? "Using the total station."

Isla Peterson

Major: Secondary Education with a focus in English and Spanish

Hometown: Holland, MI

What initially attracted you to the FYRES course? "The idea of researching and learning about an environment on site was very exciting to me."

What is a highlight from your time in Geography 181 thus far? "I loved our surveying the dunes lab. Creating a profile graph of the dune, while challenging, was a lot of fun."



Jacob Santucci



Major: Geology

Hometown: Pittsburgh, PA

What is an interesting fact about you? "A few years ago I raced BMX."

What initially attracted you to the FYRES course? "It is a course in my major and we are able to get off-campus once a week."

What is a highlight of your semester in the course thus far? "A highlight was when I jumped off the dune one week."

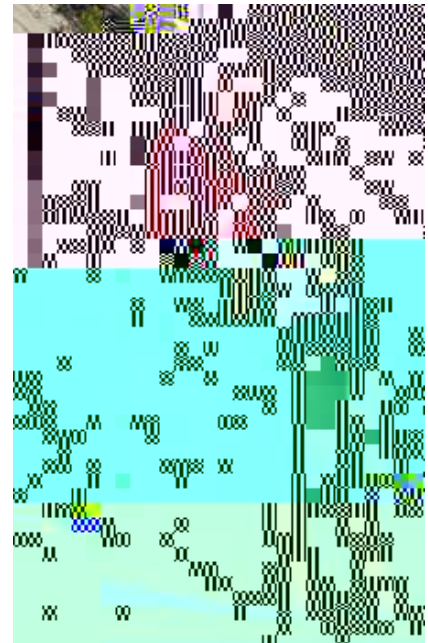
Anna Selles

Major: International Relations

Hometown: Grand Rapids, MI

What initially attracted you to the FYRES course? "The opportunity to go to the dunes and do research first-hand."

What is a highlight from your time in Geography 181 thus far? "Seeing the view of the lake from the top of the dunes."



John Spykman

Major: Business Finance

Hometown: Lafayette, IN

What is an interesting fact about you? "I can cook Minute-Rice in 50 seconds."

What initially attracted you to the FYRES course? "The opportunity to be outdoors as part of a class was very attractive! I love research and the ability to do so at the dunes is an awesome thing. Also, being from Indiana, going to the dunes is a special treat."

Angela Tiemeyer

Major: