

best *in class*

**More valedictorians (16)
from our community
chose FIU than any other
university in the country.**

Valedictorian

What it took to be the best in my class:

A lot of hard work, dedication, the ability to multi-task. I had a lot of encouragement from my family and friends. I definitely wouldn't be here without them.

On starting college at FIU:

I've always wanted to live in Miami. I love adjusting to new challenges, and this is definitely a big challenge. The University Park campus is huge!

Where I see myself in 10 years:

Opening my own medical practice. I've always wanted to be a doctor and help people. If I can help others, I'll feel as if I'm doing something good with my life.

My dream:

In a perfect world, if I could do anything, I would be a cruise ship captain. I love the ocean and the sea, and I love giving orders. My family and I have been on nine cruises – they're great.



Kathryn Bondi, 18 • Zion Lutheran Christian School
FIU Major: Biology
Played four sports in high school: basketball, track, softball and cheerleading

“FIU is definitely a great school, and with the education I'll get here, I know I'll be successful.”



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