

MERIN YATES (C'29)

Hi! My name is Merin, and I am a freshman majoring in business and marketing and a member of the women's wrestling team. I am also involved with Fellowship of Christian Athletes, women's discipleship, and regularly attend chapel. Through these experiences, I have been able to build meaningful relationships and integrate my faith into my classes and extracurricular activities. Having spaces where I can grow spiritually while also growing academically and athletically has been one of the greatest blessings of my college experience.



I grew up in Merrill, Wisconsin on a small beef farm, and I honestly never imagined I would compete in a college sport, especially at a private university. But thanks to the many scholarships, opportunities, and the incredible people here at UD, I am able to pursue my goals. Without the support of generous donors, I would not have been able to explore this part of myself or grow into the confident and independent person I am today. Thank you for investing in my future, allowing me to follow my dreams, and encouraging me to continue discovering new interests!

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