

Gabrielle Cultra

Trustee Term: 2016-2017

Currently: Agriculture Teacher and FFA Advisor at Morrison High School



Gabrielle McCormick, nee Cultra, served a full term as Kishwaukee College's Student Trustee after being elected in Spring 2016 and graduating in Spring 2017. Cultra started at Kish in Fall 2015 as an Academic Achievement Award Recipient. She earned a 4.0 GPA and was awarded an Associate in Science degree in Spring 2017, serving as the student speaker at graduation. At Kish, Cultra served as president of the Alpha Rho Eta Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa and worked as a student employee in the Registration Office. Following Kish, she transferred to Iowa State University to study agriculture education. She graduated Summa Cum Laude from ISU in 2019 and earned her teacher certification. Cultra has worked as an agriculture educator and FFA advisor at Morrison High School since July 2019. She currently lives in Prophetstown with her husband.

How did your time at Kish influence your current role?

I believe it helps me connect with the students, as a lot of them do continue on to a community college. I also believe it helps me be more understanding of their choices.

What were the most positive aspects of your time at Kish?

It was making new friends and connections through my involvement. My second semester, I joined what in my opinion was one of the most influential organizations in my life, Phi Theta Kappa. I started going to Phi Theta Kappa Honors Society monthly meetings and by the time I was inducted I was already considered one of the most active members of the chapter.

How impactful was your experience at Kish?

I was satisfied with my experience and often recommend community college to my students. When I got to Kish, I took every opportunity I could get my hands on and ran with it, including serving as the President of the Alpha Rho Eta chapter of Phi Theta Kappa at Kishwaukee College and the Student Trustee to the Board of Trustees.