Transcripts of Ambassador Videos – Fall 2023 Semester

Gabby Woolgar—Perth, Australia

My journey hasn't always been so simple. I didn't want to get lost in the system. I wanted to find the support. I've always planned to come to college here in the U.S., so mom looked around and she found Landmark, and for the first time someone was telling us how they were going to support us. They teach you how to self-advocate for yourself and to really be comfortable in your own shoes. There are people there to be... to be there to support you along that journey and make sure that you're always on the right track.

Carolina Mellado—Guaynabo, Puerto Rico

And we came here to an open house in March and immediately I was like, I want to go here. This is where I want to go because this is what I need. When I talk to the professor saying, oh hey, um, I am getting very anxious over tests or papers, and they're like okay, why don't we schedule time to meet? They go step by step meeting with you because they understand differences, but like we're all unique in like our own certain way. I would say Landmark College will...they will listen, and they will give you the support that you need.

Laney Garrett—La Grange, Illinois

My dad recommended Landmark College to get support and get any help with social pragmatics, which is PEERS. I am learning new social skills and what you should do and what you shouldn't do in conversations. I'm definitely looking forward to meeting new people and making sure that they feel like they belong at Landmark and that they can do anything. **There's a lot of support and people who care**.

Spencer Morgan—Ann Arbor, Michigan

Most of my childhood was a really mixed bag for me. Elementary school was tough for me, middle school that's when we shed some more light on my learning differences. I had a long conversation with my mom and dad about what steps I should take in terms of where I want to go to school. I just decided I've got to figure school out. I want to go to a school that can help me do that. The whole college caters towards students who learn differently, which is something I've never experienced before. I've been able to figure out what I struggle with and what I'm actually very good at, which is something that I never, I never thought was possible.

Emma Lucarelli—Bristol, Vermont

I came to Landmark because it really stood out to me because I, um, learn differently and I have like needed like a lot of support in the past. So, I'm more of like a visual learner, more than an auditory...um, so when I came here um, I really thought that it was super nice to like, have some like, so much of that support to like, help me be successful. There's like so much people can do here and like get into.

<u>Dylan Basora-Kennelly—Walpole, New Hampshire</u>

I came to Landmark College because I had failed out of my previous university, and after working for a while I got really tired of my job and a lack of upward mobility. So, I decided to go back to college. Landmark College is helping me get my Bachelor's in Communications and Entrepreneurial Leadership,

and getting job experience. One thing you should know about Landmark College is that if you put in the work you'll get the same amount back as you put in.

Nailah Quail-Parker—Queens, New York

I decided to come to Landmark because unfortunately, I flunked out of my last college. They weren't able to accommodate my needs and they didn't understand my ADHD. Landmark is helping me definitely with the accommodations. Everybody's just understanding that we're all neurodiverse students, and that they can help us the best way they can. **So far, we've been doing good. We have all A's.** One thing I think you should know about Landmark College is that it's okay to ask questions, but a lot of the faculty here is really patient and understanding. There's always somebody here that's able to help you no matter what and you'll be fine.

Dylan Sullivan—Cape Elizabeth, Maine

Landmark is helping me understand my dyslexia, as well as teaching me how to advocate for myself. One thing you should know about Landmark College is that it's where actions align with values. They don't just talk about universal design—it's actually, you see it in the classrooms and having different methods of teaching and you can talk with the professor one-on-one. It's not just a professor trying to relay information. It's a lot of discussion and collaborative work in that respect between the students and the professor.

Gabby Killin—San Jose, California

I came to Landmark College because I was struggling at my community college and so I transferred here. I came to campus three semesters ago and I've been loving it ever since. Landmark College is helping me with understanding how I learn. It's helping me figure out my path of where I want to go in life and just teaching me the tools I need to succeed.

<u>Genevieve Hanna—Waukesha, Wisconsin</u>

I came to Landmark College because I needed a college that understood learning differences as well as how learning differences can also affect your mental health. Landmark College is helping me with studying skills, as well as learning how to read a textbook while taking, while taking notes. One thing that you should know about Landmark College is that they, is that it looks at all aspects of the student and they really try, the professors really try to get to know you.

Felix Mann—Weston, Connecticut

I came to Landmark College because I wanted to go to a school that understands learning differences and has a small and flexible community that knows my learning needs. Landmark College is helping me with time management and setting boundaries. These are strategies that I'm working on in my social coaching meetings and my advising meetings so that I can be a better student. I meet my social coach once a week to talk about how things are going socially and talk about some of the skills I'm working on, that way I can understand what I need to do in order to be successful in the future. One thing you should know about Landmark College is that everybody at the school is really positive and upbeat and has a growth mindset in the way that I do.

PJ Dudinetz—Sanford, Michigan

I came to Landmark College because I had been in community college to get my associate degree and to complete my bachelor's and I knew I was going to need a better support system. Being a non-traditional student definitely made me nervous. I was worried I was too old to come back to college, but coming here I saw that there was a lot of support and that there were other students just like me. The thing that Landmark College is helping me with is learning more about how I learn and how to make a good case for myself in both the workplace and in the classroom. An important thing for you to know about Landmark College is that they will challenge you, but they will help you overcome those challenges and you will be better for the experience.