



## **Jill, '20**

**Hometown:** South Windsor, CT

**Transferred to Marist:** Spring 2017

**Major:** Accounting

**Personal Interests:** I enjoy cooking, baking, supporting Marist sporting events, exploring Poughkeepsie, and hanging out with friends.

**Campus Involvement:** I am involved in Kappa Kappa Gamma, Student Government Association (Class of 2020 Historian), and Campus Ministry.

**How I Can Help As Your Peer Mentor (and Former Transfer Student):** I knew transferring mid-semester would be extra tough, so I decided when I came to Marist that I would go to everything I possibly could to find my place and friends on campus. Through the events for transfer students, I actually met my best friend! Also, feel free to just ask me anything! I love answering little or big questions. I absolutely love Marist and I am so happy I finally found the right college for me! I want to share that love of Marist with you too!

**What I Was Nervous About:** I didn't know anyone at Marist before transferring here so I was really nervous about making friends. Also, since I made the wrong college decision once before I feared I would make that mistake again. I just wanted everything to work out and I can honestly say it did and I love it here!

**What I Was Excited About:** I was excited for a fresh start and second chance! My first college choice ended up not being what I expected it to be so I was lucky enough to get a second chance when I chose Marist. I was also really excited about getting involved and going to sporting events!

**Advice for an Incoming Transfer Student:** Get involved right from the start! Go to as many different events as possible so you can find exactly what you want to be involved in and tell your story! Students on campus always find it interesting when they find out that you're a transfer.

**What is it like to be a transfer student at Marist?** At first it's awkward; you're the new kid that didn't start at Marist like a lot of other students. But now, when I tell people how I transferred here they don't believe me half the time because of how involved I am. The first weeks are a transition period but after that you're just another student.

I hope you have a great summer and I can't wait to see you soon! *The end depends on the beginning*

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