

InterVarsity

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I grew up in Grace Chapel, daughter of Floria Lowin. Four years ago I moved to North Carolina to attend school at East Carolina University. It is there that I became involved with the ministry of InterVarsity, leading Bible studies and eventually a team of small group leaders as small group coordinator on the exc. team. Together, as leaders of this movement, we poured into the lives of students in our ministry and into the networks of people we knew and loved in our dorms, classes, and other student organizations.



This past spring I came on staff with InterVarsity Christian Fellowship in the Carolina region of the organization. I am based on campus at the University of North Carolina – Charlotte (UNCC). I moved to Charlotte in May, and married a wonderfully loving and supportive man in June. My husband, Curran, and I met through InterVarsity at ECU, so this ministry has an extra special place in our hearts. We are currently living in east Charlotte, 5 miles from the city center and 15 minutes from the university.

InterVarsity Christian Fellowship/USA is a non-denominational Christian ministry on college and university campuses across the country. We build witnessing communities of students and faculty who grow in love for God and learn to serve him in the world for a lifetime. Campus ministry is a unique way to reach students in a unique phase of life. When the college experience is intersected with an encounter with Jesus, it is formative and life changing. This is the time for divine intervention to see students come from death to life!

UNC-Charlotte is a heavy commuter school. There are about 30,000 students enrolled at UNCC with only 6,000 of them living on campus. It functions and feels like a glorified community college, with its students lacking deep relationship with the campus and other students. There is little school pride or a sense of unity or community on campus. It is no surprise when we see the interpersonal and relational drought, that we also observe a spiritual famine. These students are starving for the love, grace, and purpose that we receive from our relationship with Jesus.

At UNC-Charlotte, we hope to see students and faculty engage in real relationships and establish healthy and vibrant communities of Christ followers. We desire to see a diverse but unified community of students engaging on campus and investing in the lives of their peers to bring more students to Christ. We want to invest in, develop, and empower students to be able to graduate from Charlotte with a new purpose founded in Christ, and use their passions and talents to

serve Christ in whatever field or industry they feel called.

A new addition to my ministry this spring will be Davidson College in Davidson, NC. It is a small, private school just north of Charlotte and has a small chapter with about 15 students mostly concentrated within 2 small groups. The leaders with vision to start a third small group, and I want to see that come to fruition by mid-semester by offering small group leader training, helping them think through who to invite and casting vision for what God could do through this new group.

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Needs and How to Support:

InterVarsity staff are funded and prayerfully supported by ministry partners who believe in the vision of what could be on campus, and the power by which it can become a reality. Partners are as much a part of the work God does on campus, as the staff are that work with the students. My budget of ministry expenses for the next year is \$42,782 (\$3,565 per month).

All InterVarsity documents or gifts please designate to Alyssa Wiggins hereafter.