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Mount Mercy Alumna Dedloff's Successes Continue in College

Margaret (Molly) Dedloff, Mount Mercy's Valedictorian from the Class of 2016, has continued her academic success in college. Dedloff has been named a Presidential Scholar at Clarkson University for both the fall and spring semesters. Students must maintain at least a 3.8 grade point average and carry at least 14 credit hours. Dedloff currently holds a 4.0 grade point average.

In addition, she was also selected as a Clarkson Trudeau Biomedical Scholar for the spring semester. She completed research at the Trudeau Institute where she helped develop a dendritic cell influenza vaccine. Currently, dendritic cell immunotherapy is only used for cancer treatment and not for vaccines, so this could be a big step. Also, this vaccine has the potential to be a universal influenza vaccine with the ability to protect from all strains.

Dedloff, a biology major is a member of the Clarkson Honors Program as well as the community service club, Clarkson's Circle K Club. She is also a member of the Society of Professional Women and the Beta Beta Beta Biological Honor Society.

This summer Dedloff is researching the development of the stem cell niche in the intestines of immature zebra fish. If an understanding of how the stem cell niche develops and what controls its development can be made, then there is the potential to be able to enhance or manipulate it.

Dedloff is the daughter of John Dedloff and Camille Lupa of Gowanda.



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