

Grace Cousins – Class of 2017

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in 2020

Describe your college experience; Where you attended; Your major(s) both undergrad and graduate; A couple of your favorite things about your college experience.

I went to Savannah College of Art and Design in Savannah, GA and will graduate in 2021. I was on the track and cross-country team and I study Interior Design. My favorite things about my school include how colorful and historic each building is and the amazing people I have met. I will miss going to the beach on the weekends with my teammates and friends and our runs around the city.

What are you currently doing from a career or education standpoint?

Currently I am finishing up my last semester at SCAD while assistant coaching track with coach Jayson Jackson at Saint Joe's. I also am a custom watercolor portrait artist and am an intern at Souled Home Design. I am working towards opening my own interior design studio in the future.

What are some of your favorite things you like to do in your personal time?

I enjoy running and working on design projects for family and friends along with drawing and painting.

How did Saint Joe's impact you? And how are you using the things you learned at Saint Joe's today?

Saint Joe's impacted me even after graduation. The connections I made at the school are something I will always be grateful for. My art teacher at Saint Joe's and coach have always supported both my art and athletic career and continue to do so. I still have their advice in my head, and it has helped me throughout college to remember I am strong. I think about the workouts and races I completed at SJCA and when things get tough, I think about how I pushed through with Coach Jackson's advice.

Any family updates or other updates you want to include.

My sister Emma is a teacher at OLV, and I love seeing the activities she has planned for the kids and how happy her students make her. My sister Lindsay is living in Philly and Alyssa has moved to Texas.

What are you passionate about?

I am passionate about my art and design work. I am very excited to graduate and focus on making my passions a career.

One of your favorite quotes or Bible verses:

One of my favorite quotes is one Coach Jackson would say before every race... "stay gold" which is taken from The Outsiders when they quote Robert Frost's poem, Nothing Gold Can Stay.

