

Portrait of a *Graduate*



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- University of Memphis: pursuing Doctor of Education in Instructional Design and Technology
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- University of Tennessee Health Science Center: Doctor of Physical Therapy, '11
- Middle Tennessee State University: B.S. in Exercise Science '99, MBA '01; Academic and Athletic Scholarships (Men's Track)
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9th Grade, GSL

My parents were in healthcare (mom as a nurse and dad as a physical therapist). Growing up I was able to observe my dad in his profession. I wanted to continue that tradition, not only making a difference in my patients' lives, but also assisting students with a passion for physical therapy to achieve their goals, which led me into academia.

GSL taught me at an early age how to study and how to prepare. The faculty always challenged me to perform at my highest level. Having those challenges early in life kept me driven. So many teachers were influential! I instantly think of Martha Akin, Joy Rice, Sarah Black, Jim Lassandrello, and Russ Cangelosi. I owe everything I am to these teachers and many more I didn't mention. They provided an education in academics, but really more in life. They all had to have hard conversations with me while I was growing up, and I cannot thank them enough.

The main thing I will say is GSL is family. Many of my closest friends are those that went to GSL. And there are people from GSL who I don't see often, but when I do, we are close again and it's just like family because of that GSL bond. I am and will always be proud to say that I am a Luker!

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