

## **HUMANS OF HIRAM**

### **January 2018 Spotlight**

Our new Humans of Hiram spotlight features a different Hiram faculty, staff, student, alumni, or friend each month. Today we feature Lena LePelley '19.

Lena was born in Russia and adopted by her parents when she was one year old. After arriving in the United States, she was raised in Sherman, Connecticut. Lena has two older brothers and a younger sister who live with her parents in Peach Tree City, Georgia. Her father, Doug, graduated from Hiram's Weekend College program in 1990.



As a communications major with a minor in entrepreneurship, Lena prides herself on being outgoing and friendly. She hopes to work in advertising after she graduates. When she isn't studying, you can find Lena and her friends in the Coleman Center playing various sports and video games. Lena's other favorite spot on campus is the courtyard behind the library specifically on the swing.

Lena's favorite experience at Hiram so far is the time she spent studying abroad in France. She is thankful for being able to spend time in a different country where she gained a unique perspective on its culture and people. Lena enjoys the small class environment, and getting to know the teachers and staff here at Hiram.

Lena often jokes that she is a social butterfly. If you are looking for Lena on campus, you can often find her walking around with a huge grin. That may be why Lena's sister created a nickname for her, "Happy." Lena also works part-time in the Office of Development and Alumni Relations.