

Meet the Anchor Staff

Every semester, we gain new people to join our team of writers and editors at The Anchor. Get to know our staff and the quirks that make them unique on Hope's campus.

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Annah Duffey '19
Creative Writing & Communication Major
"Sometimes when I walk, I absentmindedly pretend to play the piano with my left hand at my side. I saw it in a movie when I was younger and thought it was cool, and now I do it too!"



Colin O'Connor '18
History Major
Economics Minor
"I can touch my tounge to my nose."



Anna Stafford '19
Creative Writing Major
Communication Minor
"Vacuuming is in my top five favorite pastimes."



Becky Downing '18
Creative Writing Major
Communication Minor
"I make sound effects while completing everyday tasks. I'm not ashamed."



Melissa Bazany '18
Communication & Computer Science Major
"If my feet get cold when I sleep, I'll wear socks to bed. I know, I know."



Sarah Mozdren '19
Management & Economics Major
"I'm not officially diagnosed, but I'm sure I have tryphobia. It's the fear of many holes, and that makes me uncomfortable!"



Kirstin Anderson '19
Political Science & Business Major
"Some friend groups have a mom friend. I'm the dad friend. I'll leave it there. Also, I truly believe that Neosporin can cure ANY ailment"



Isiaha Kyles '18
Chemistry Major
"It makes me uncomfortable to step on a crack when walking on the sidewalk."



Caroline Serkaian '20
Exercise Science Major
"I am moderately superstitious. For example: I have to eat an apple before every test I take, but I'm not scared of like black cats or anything."



Stephanie Arndt '18
Creative Writing Major
Communication Minor
"I tend to yawn when I'm nervous/trying to avoid something being said to me. Maybe because people look away when others yawn?"



Martin Dykstra '18
Business Major
Psychology Minor
"Sometimes when I see someone I know, I like to say their name with a little ring, 'What's up Martayyy!'"



Ryann Stutz '20
Communication & Political Science Major
"I intentionally twitch my right eye in place of rolling my eyes for added sass. It's gotten to the point where it's a reflex response!"



Isabel Bustamante '19
Literature & Biology Major
Spanish Minor
"I can vibrate my eyes. Also, my legs are shaped like bananas because I have some mean hyperextension abilities."



Julia Kirby '20
Social Work & Psychology Major
Writing Minor
"I twirl my hair or run it through my fingers all the time, especially when I'm nervous or bored."



Jack Wolff '18
History & Classics Major
Youth Ministry Minor
"I own Medieval armor-like helmets, shields and swords."



Alayna Parsons-Valles '18
Literature Major
"I get startled really easily. I'm kind of like a horse—everyone needs to approach me from the front."



Kelly Ocock '19
Studio Art & Psychology Major
"My left eye doesn't blink as fast as my right eye when I blink really fast. I have no idea why it happens, but it freaks some people out."



Sophia Vander Kooy '20
Political Science & International Studies Major
"My voice gets really high when I am both very excited and very uncomfortable."