



# *I am* The ROCK

## **Jennifer Willford**

**Job:** Assistant professor of psychology.

**Joined SRU:** 2012.

**Background:** I grew up in Port Clinton, Ohio, a small town near Lake Erie, where I spent my summers racing sailboats with my family. I majored in neuroscience at Muskingum University and went on to earn my masters and doctorate in experimental psychology at the University of Kentucky.

**Person I'd like to have dinner with:** Since I like to laugh and have fun, I'd like to have dinner with talk show host Ellen DeGeneres. She is smart, kind, witty and very funny.

**Why I work at The Rock:** For me, it's about my students. College students are discovering what life has to offer, finding their passion and spreading their wings. It's exciting to be a part of their lives, provide the necessary supports for them to be successful and give them the encouragement they need to believe in themselves. I love teaching and sharing my passion for psychology, research and brain activity with them.

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