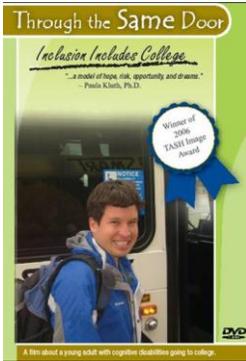


**Meet Micah Fialka-Feldman,  
A Man Who  
Knows What he  
Wants**

You may have seen Micah in the award winning, DVD, *Through the Same Door: Inclusion Includes College*.



In many ways, Micah, enjoys a typical life: making friends, participating in college activities, and volunteering in the community and in politics. Less typically, he travels the country speaking. But for all of his life, there have been people telling him that he could not have a regular life.

Micah has a cognitive disability and this film documents the new movement of fully inclusive education by exploring Micah's desire for a life without boundaries. As a high school student, Micah wanted the college experience and he got it. See how it's done, learn how it works, and witness how Micah's journey challenges us all to reexamine what we believe possible.

Micah shows us all not only what is possible in his future, but what should be possible for all students. He is charming, funny, and thinks outside the box. He has a lot to teach us all about what is possible in life. This video will open your eyes to these possibilities.

-Meg Grigal, Ph.D.,

What a lesson in high expectations!  
Awesome!  
-Jane Winstead, Director of Transition  
Services, Tennessee Department of  
Education

Micah at the first Disability PRIDE Parade



To learn more about Micah, his DVD, his writings, his amazing journey to go to college, and his victory to live in the dorm go to:

[www.throughthesamedoor.com](http://www.throughthesamedoor.com)

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### SELF ADVOCATE AND SPEAKER



"Nothing about me - without me!"

### I'm ready to speak at your next event

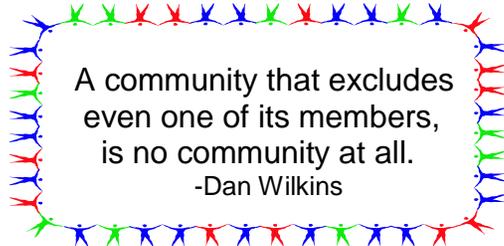
Micah's amazing story is featured in  
*Widening the Circle:  
The Power of Inclusive Classrooms*  
by Mara Sapon-Shevin &  
*Think College*  
by Meg Grigal & Debra Hart

## Why Invite Me?

Since high school, and now while in college, I travel and speak out for other individuals with disabilities.

I do PowerPoint presentations that inform, entertain, and encourage others to learn how to create inclusive schools and communities.

I believe in the following quote:



My accomplishments include:

Honored by NCIL for improving the lives of young people with disabilities 2009

Family Voices - Life Time Achievement Award (with my family) 2009

National Board Member of KASA (Kids as Self Advocates) 2002 to Present  
[www.fvkasa.org](http://www.fvkasa.org)

Winner of the "Yes I Can Award" of Michigan Council for Exceptional Children - CEC (for self determination) 2004

Selected to attend Michigan & National Youth Leadership Network (NYLN) 2001 & 2002

## My Presentation is Divided into Chapters of my Life

1. Who I am.
2. What school was like for me.
3. How I became an advocate and leader.
4. My dream of going to college and living in the dorm.
5. What I have learned about living an inclusive life.



**My newest addition** to my presentation is telling about my two year journey and battle to live in the dormitory at Oakland University. On December 23, 2009 Federal Judge Duggan ruled that I had the right to live in the dormitory. I moved into my dorm room on Jan. 4, 2010.



Micah in his dorm room at Oakland University

## Some of my Presentations

For almost a decade, I have presented for numerous state and national conferences, such as People First, Partners in Policy, Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP), International Parent-to-Parent, TASH, Arc, NCIL, NYLN, Family Voices, CEC, PEAK Parent Center (forthcoming), as well as university classes, & community and advocacy groups. I also speak to middle and high school classes and parent groups.

Micah's trip to Israel with Birthright



You can watch Micah's move into the dorm on [youtube.com](http://youtube.com)

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K9NGQ1VWPh4>