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Summer Update

The Archdiocese of Detroit has invited the Detroit area Catholic colleges to use the former Aquinas High School as a university center.

Catholic University Center Established Detroit Area Catholic Higher Education Consortium Collaborates on Downriver Outreach Site

Throughout the summer months, leaders from the member colleges of the Detroit Area Catholic Higher Education Consortium have met to plan for the opening of the Catholic University Center, to be established at the former Aquinas High School in Southgate. "This is an excellent opportunity to continue a Catholic presence in the Downriver suburbs," remarked Dr. Ernest Nolan, Vice President for Academic Administration. "The participating schools will meet the need for college-level education grounded in the Catholic heritage of faith and values." Committed to providing complementary rather than competing programs of study, Madonna University, Marygrove College, St. Mary's College, and Sacred Heart Major Seminary will begin offering courses in September 2000. Madonna University's undergraduate programs will include criminal justice, hospitality management, merchandising management, and general studies. In addition, the MBA program will be offered.

Construction Project Creates Technology Wing and Expands DiPonio Building

When the faculty and students return to class in September, they will be greeted by the sights and sounds of construction. The architectural firm of Allen & Laux has begun enclosure of the west breezeway, which will house offices and the new lounge relocated from the South Lounge wing. Once this phase of the project is completed, the vacated space will be adapted for a computer classroom, faculty professional development and multimedia center, and office space for the Academic Computer Services staff. The final phase will involve reconfiguring the current computer lab into two labs, which can also function as computer classrooms when needed.

A concurrent project involves expansion of the DiPonio Building to accommodate more offices for nursing and hospice faculty members and staff. In addition, the Transcultural Nursing Society is contributing \$25,000 to fund an office to serve as the worldwide headquarters of the organization.



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Advancing the integration of technology into teaching and learning, twelve faculty members will adapt courses and then mentor colleagues.

Summer Stipend Program Further Integrates Technology across the Curriculum

The Academic Council selected twelve faculty members to receive \$1,000 stipends to integrate technology as a tool for learning into at least one course during summer 2000. In addition, each faculty member has agreed to serve as a mentor to a colleague during academic year 2000-01 and make a presentation at a faculty roundtable. These individuals will join other faculty colleagues who are leading the “technology in teaching revolution” on campus.

<u>Faculty member</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Course</u>
Dr. Phyllis Brenner	Nursing	NUR 6900 - Research
Dr. Gerald Charbonneau	Sociology	SOC 1010 - Intro to Sociology
Dr. Cecilia Donohue	English	ENG 3550 - Women in Literature
Deborah Dunn	Nursing	CPS 4090 - Basic EKG Interpretation
Marilyn Harton	Nursing	NUR 3010 - Transitions in Professional Nursing
Dr. Betty Jean Hebel	Marketing	MKT 2440 - Principles of Marketing
Dr. Mary Minock	English	ENG 3010 - Advanced Composition
Dr. Karen Neuman	Social Work	SW 4900 - Field Practicum
Dr. Edith Raleigh	Nursing	NUR 5540 - Biostatistics
Beth Spencer	Gerontology	GER 4140 - Grant Writing
Dr. Edythe Woods	Psychology	PSY 1010 - General Psychology
William Vanderwill	Gerontology	GER 3860 - Intro to Case Management

This special initiative is supported by the Title III Project and a supplemental grant from the UAW-Ford University Initiative.

Dr. Kelly Rhoades Funded for Second Hospice Course

Graduate hospice course, HSP 5010 - Dimensions of Bereavement, will be adapted for online delivery through a gift of \$1,500 from Nora and Guy Berron. Dr. Kelly Rhoades, chair of the Hospice Education Department, will design the course initially for hospice workers in Israel through Partnership 2000, a project spearheaded by the Jewish Federation of Metropolitan Detroit, in an effort to expand hospice services in central Galilee.

Fall Enrollment Shows Increase over 1999

Throughout the early summer months, fall 2000 enrollment figures for undergraduate students have continued to remain 20-30% higher than last year at the same time. This follows the national trend of increased numbers of 18-year-olds enrolling in college. July and August are expected to be high enrollment months as in previous years, especially for working adult students. In addition, new cohorts of off-campus, outreach, and international students will fill out the fall enrollment picture. To this end, Dr. Stuart Arends, Dr. Ernest Nolan, Monika Kimball, and Dr. Robert Kimball will be traveling to the People’s Republic of China July 14-21 to initiate programs with Tongji University and Yanshan University.

Complete Roster of Faculty Excellence Awards Implemented for the First Time

Winners Announced

The ad hoc Selection Committee for the Year 2000 Faculty Excellence Awards, chaired by Michael Cummings of the Library, has selected four faculty colleagues to be recognized for their outstanding contributions to the teaching-learning environment at Madonna University. This year, the Faculty Award from Graduating Seniors is being given for the first time. Under the revised guidelines, all graduating seniors were sent nomination forms with their graduation information, asking them to identify faculty members who embody the mission of Madonna University. The resulting nominations were reviewed and voted on by the Selection Committee. The winners of the Year 2000 Faculty Excellence Awards are as follows:

Faculty Excellence Award for Teaching Effectiveness and Innovation

- Fr. Ron Des Rosiers, S.M., Assistant Professor of Religious Studies and Philosophy

Faculty Excellence Award for Professional Development and Accomplishment

- Dr. Stanley Ngeyi, Professor of Chemistry

Faculty Excellence Award for Adjunct Faculty

- Jane Alexander Kessler, Adjunct Assistant Professor of Psychology

Faculty Award from Graduating Seniors

- Edward Abair, Assistant Professor of Criminal Justice and former Chair of the Criminal Justice Department

The members of the Selection Committee included: Michael Cummings, Chair (Library), Sister Ann Stamm (CA&H), Dr. Edythe Woods (CSS), Maria Kuhn (former Selection Committee chair), Dr. Karen Schmitz (CS&M), Dr. Kelly Rhoades (CN&H) and Douglas Semivan (recipient of the 1999 Faculty Excellence Award in Teaching). The awardees will be recognized at the Fall 2000 Faculty Conference with a plaque and monetary award.

The Faculty Award from Graduating Seniors acknowledges the individual our graduates perceive as best personifying the mission of the University.



Partnership 2000 Opens Dialogue among Jewish, Christian, and Moslem Leaders

The Madonna University hospice program is collaborating with the Jewish Federation of Metropolitan Detroit to bring together local Jewish, Arab Christian, and Arab Moslem leaders to consider ways to expand hospice services for the multi-ethnic population of central Galilee in Israel. Spurred by the success of the online hospice course on palliative care made available to Israeli hospice workers last year, the Federation would like to encourage educational opportunities directed to the Arab medical establishment both in metropolitan Detroit and in Israel. Partnership 2000 is complemented by a multicultural education project led by Dr. Marjorie Checkoway of the College of Education, which is designed to foster greater

Partnership 2000 is committed to expanding hospice services for the Jewish and Arab populations of central Galilee.

Summer 2000 FPD Research Awards

The Faculty Professional Development Committee awarded the following faculty members research grants for summer 2000:

<u>Faculty Member(s)</u>	<u>Project</u>
Dr. Cecilia Donohue	Mining the Cave: Surveying the Green Glenn – Writing a Second Scholarly Book on Robert Penn Warren
Dr. Kevin Eyster	The Art of Gunsmithing in Central Ohio: Heritage Gunsmiths Inc.
Dr. Richard Fox	Patient Acuity and Cost
Beth Spencer	Moving Booklets
<u>Joint Proposal:</u>	Evaluation Plan for the Coalition of Detroit Community Centers
Dr. James O'Neill	Kevin West
Dr. Millie Braunstein	Betty Dornbrook
Dr. Karen Neuman	Dr. Ann Sullivan Smith
Dr. Jerry Charbonneau	Dr. Edith Raleigh



Important Dates

Fall 2000 Faculty Conference
 • Monday, August 28, 2000
 8:30 am - Continental Breakfast
 9:00 am - Meet in Kresge Hall
 1:00 p.m. - Adjournment

University Community Gathering
 • Wednesday, August 30, 2000

New Faculty Orientation
 • Thursday, August 31, 2000
 9:00 am - Meet in Board Room
 Mentors arrive at 1:00 pm

Classes Begin
 • Tuesday, September 5, 2000

Academic News Beat

- *The Madonna University Chorale, under the direction of Dr. David Wagner, toured Ireland for two weeks in June, performing in cathedrals in Dublin, Killarney, and Galway. They also performed en route at Newark Airport.*
- *The Summer Institute for the Arts and Sciences for Gifted and Talented High School students returned to Madonna University again this year. Under the directorship of Sister Nancy Marie, Jan Pentek, and Derrick Manns, the institute provided a two-week residential experience for over 100 16- and 17-year-olds, including classes in photography, video production, genetics, Japanese, Sign Language, journalism, creative writing, and global studies.*
- *This summer, the Admissions staff conducted workshops for over 400 minority and low income middle school students through the King-Chavez-Parks Initiative, supported by Michigan Department of Education funding.*
- *Madonna University became a Detroit 300 Tricentennial Program Partner to commemorate the founding of the city 300 years ago. The University will sponsor a year-long series of colloquia about different facets of the city's history and culture in 2001, both on campus and at the Catholic University Center in Southgate.*

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