Saint Kavier University



CLASS 2012

Winter Commencement Exercises



The Seal of Saint Kavier University

From its earliest design honoring the Blessed Virgin Mary, to the Coat of Arms seal of today, the seal of Saint Xavier University symbolizes a proud history of Catholic education in Chicago.

This seal, designed by art department faculty member
Sister Mary Solina Hicks, R.S.M., includes: a black
and white checkerboard and diagonal gold bars from
the family coat of arms of Saint Francis Xavier;
red and gold bars and a white Jerusalem cross taken from
the shield of the Sisters of Mercy of the Americas;
an open book to represent education; and the Scripture verse,
"I am the way, and the truth, and the life." (John 14:6)

Saint Xavier University continues to use this seal as a symbol of its heritage and mission.



Mission Statement

Saint Xavier University, a Catholic institution inspired by the heritage of the Sisters of Mercy, educates men and women to search for truth, to think critically, to communicate effectively, and to serve wisely and compassionately in support of human dignity and the common good.

University Vision

Saint Xavier University will be an educational institution that responds to people with dignity and promotes thought leadership, giving voice to that effort through the scholarship and prominent work of our faculty and staff. We will use that leadership to develop mutually beneficial relationships and strategic partnerships with external communities so that we can create increased opportunities for a diverse community of ethical, motivated and socially engaged learners who are prepared for 21st century careers.

Core Values

The Saint Xavier University Community commits itself to practicing eight core values as it engages in a search for truth and knowledge, both for personal enhancement and to understand and improve our world.

Respect moves us to understand the gifts and unique contributions of every person in the University community and to value diverse perspectives.

Excellence commits us to challenge ourselves to utilize our God-given gifts: intellectual, social, physical, spiritual and ethical.

Compassion compels us to stand with and embrace others in their suffering that, together, we may experience God's liberating and healing presence.

Service calls us to use our gifts, talents and abilities to advance the genuine well-being of our community and those we encounter.

Hospitality draws us to do our daily work with a spirit of graciousness that welcomes new ideas and people of all backgrounds and beliefs.

Integrity gives us the ability to realize the greater good in our actions and programs, and challenges us to look at our work and ourselves holistically and as one united with others across the globe.

Diversity builds a community that fosters a climate that is open and welcoming to diverse people, ideas and perspectives; that promotes a constructive discourse on the nature of diversity; and that engages faculty, staff and students in activities that promote the University's core values.

Learning for Life, in the liberal arts tradition, encourages us to pursue knowledge and truth throughout our lives in ways that improve our communities and ourselves and that strengthen our understanding of each other.



HVision of Our Catholic and Mercy Identity

Saint Xavier University, founded and sponsored by the Sisters of Mercy, extends the teaching ministry of Jesus Christ to those seeking higher education. As an officially recognized ministry of the Catholic Church,¹ the University grounds its core activities of teaching, learning, scholarship, and service in Catholic theological principles that affirm the goodness and value of all creation and posit a view of human persons as created in the image of God and thus free, rational, relational, and endowed with inherent dignity.

As a Catholic university, Saint Xavier University challenges all the members of its community to search for truth, especially religious truth, and to engage in a dialogue between faith and reason that ultimately leads toward the contemplation of God's creation and social action for the common good. This search for truth demands careful observation, critical analysis, vigorous debate, personal and communal theological reflection, and ethical and engaged decision-making leading toward a life that respects both the inherent dignity of another and the worth of all creation. Setting the context for the search for truth, the University encourages its community, especially its students, to become familiar with the richness of the Catholic intellectual tradition and the imperatives of Catholic social teaching. Respecting academic freedom, the University strives to be a place where the vigorous discussion of ideas can occur, especially as they relate to its mission as a Catholic university. In the spirit of respectful and critical discourse, the University welcomes the breadth of the Catholic tradition as well as the voices of other religious and non-religious communities.

As a Mercy university, Saint Xavier University challenges its community members to teach, learn, research, and act not only for themselves but also for others. Thus, a seminal characteristic of the University is its commitment to service. Ideally, such service, whether direct or through the University's efforts to understand and remediate unjust systems, reflects the spirituality of Catherine McAuley, the founder of the Sisters of Mercy. This spirituality is grounded in the theology of the Incarnation, animated by the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus, and expressed through acts of compassion that embody the spiritual and corporal works of mercy. In particular, the University community expresses special concern for those who are economically poor, especially women and children. In so doing, the University goes beyond simply passive expressions of heartfelt concern, and even the willingness to stand with those who suffer. It seeks to right what is wrong and restore what is broken, thereby promoting human dignity, justice, and the common good.

Saint Xavier University signifies and celebrates its Catholic and Mercy heritage in its symbolic, sacramental, and liturgical expressions, and in its communal and collegial ethos. The University offers many opportunities to reflect, pray, worship, and access the sacraments. It symbolizes its rich faith tradition through the appropriate placement of religious symbols and artwork. Further, it observes liturgical seasons and feasts central to its Catholic and Mercy heritage, and provides orientation and mentoring programs that educate the community about this identity.

In its governance, Saint Xavier University is a Catholic and Mercy institution because its sponsors, the Sisters of Mercy, hold certain "reserved powers" consonant with their canonical (Church) and civil responsibilities for the University. These "reserved powers" are outlined in the University's articles and bylaws and, with limited exceptions, are exercised on behalf of the Sisters of Mercy by the Conference for Mercy Higher Education. It is through this governance relationship with the Sisters of Mercy that Saint Xavier University is recognized by the Roman Catholic Church as a Catholic institution and ministry.



Recognizing that the search for God and the celebration of God's presence is ubiquitous, the University provides opportunities for those of other faith traditions and those on a personal journey of faith to study, to express, to worship, to celebrate, and to discuss their religious beliefs in a climate that is respectful, hospitable, and open to all.

To summarize, offering the opportunity for higher education within a Catholic and Mercy context, Saint Xavier University honors Jesus Christ whom it recognizes as "the Way, the Truth, and the Life," the motto of the University inscribed on its coat of arms.

Approved by the Board of Trustees, May 14, 2008

Mercy Heritage

Founder and sponsor of Saint Xavier University, the religious congregation of the Sisters of Mercy originated in Dublin, Ireland. Today, the Sisters of Mercy number over 10,000 members and serve in over 27 countries on all the continents except Antarctica. The Sisters of Mercy sponsor 18 colleges and universities in the United States and serve over 40,000 students.

History

Founded in 1831 by Mother Mary Catherine McAuley, and known as "the walking Sisters," this congregation of Roman Catholic women moved beyond convent walls to walk amid and serve the poor, the sick and the uneducated of their day. Such "secular" work outside the walls of the convent was unusual at the time because most communities of women religious were cloistered and had little contact with anyone outside the walls of the cloister.

In 1843, seven Sisters of Mercy left Ireland and sailed to the United States to establish the first Mercy Foundation in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. In 1846, the needs of Irish immigrants drew the Sisters of Mercy from Pittsburgh to the pioneer town that was Chicago.

Under the guidance of Mother Frances Xavier Warde, for whom the Warde Academic Center at Saint Xavier University is named, five Sisters of Mercy, all under the age of 25, arrived in a diocese that was barely three years old. The first and only group of women religious in Chicago for the next 10 years, the Sisters quickly established St. Francis Xavier Female Academy, the forerunner of Saint Xavier University and Mother McAuley Liberal Arts High School.

Within eight years of their arrival, all but one of the original group of SXU founders had died, most as a result of the nursing care they gave to victims of the cholera epidemic. But other Sisters of Mercy came and joined in spreading the Good News of the Gospel by their good example, through their prayer, tireless good works, acts of compassion and hospitality, and by means of their constantly expanding institutional ministries.



Historical Highlights

- In 1846, the Sisters of Mercy opened Chicago's first Catholic elementary school, thus founding the Archdiocese of Chicago's parochial school system.
- In 1852, the Sisters of Mercy founded Chicago's first permanent general "Hospital and Orphan Asylum," now known as Mercy Hospital and Medical Center.
- During the Civil War, some Sisters of Mercy went South to nurse the Union Army, courageous service that drew a commendation from President Abraham Lincoln. Others stayed in Chicago to tend Confederate prisoners of war who were interned at Camp Douglas at 39th and Lake Shore Drive.
- Sisters of Mercy spread out across the Midwest to serve parishes and to establish schools in other parts of Illinois, Wisconsin, and Iowa.
- On October 8, 1871, the Sisters of Mercy watched 25 years of service to Chicago go up in smoke, even as they shepherded student boarders and women residents to safety through the rubble of the Great Chicago Fire.
- In 1921, the Sisters of Mercy began to house and care for unwed mothers, a work that evolved to the care of physically and mentally challenged people at Chicago's Misericordia/Heart of Mercy.
- In 1956, Saint Xavier Academy, a high school, and Saint Xavier College moved to 103rd and Central Park, the current site of both SXU's Chicago Campus and Mother McAuley Liberal Arts High School.
- In recent years, the Sisters of Mercy have expanded their sponsored ministries to include the Presence Health serving Chicago, its suburbs, and downstate Illinois communities; and Mercy Housing, Inc., providing service-enhanced housing in Chicago and Milwaukee. The sisters have also continued their century-plus ministry at St. Catherine Residence in Milwaukee, serving women in transition.
- In 2007, formal sponsorship of Saint Xavier University transferred from the Sisters of Mercy, Regional Community of Chicago, to the Conference for Mercy Higher Education (CMHE). The CMHE is the sponsor for 16 of the 18 colleges and universities in the United States founded by the Sisters of Mercy.
- In 2008, the Sisters of Mercy headquartered in Chicago combined their members and their ministries with Sister of Mercy groups situated in five other locations—Auburn, California; Burlingame, California; Omaha, Nebraska; Cedar Rapids, Iowa; and Detroit, Michigan—to form the West Midwest Community of the Sisters of Mercy. With just over 800 sisters, the West Midwest Community sponsors 11 educational ministries; three hospitals and five multi-institution health care systems; four residences for women; three long-term care facilities; and three retreat centers. The West Midwest Community's administrative headquarters are in Omaha, Nebraska.

Since 1846, Saint Xavier University has benefited from the continuous support of the Sisters of Mercy of the Americas who currently number over 4,000 Sisters and over 3,000 Associates. Through the witness of their lives and the service of their ministries, the Sisters of Mercy, Mercy Associates, and the Companions in Mercy continue to extend God's mercy to others in the tradition of Mother Catherine McAuley and Mother Frances Xavier Warde.



University Philosophy Statement

Saint Xavier University continues to build upon the ideals of its founders and sponsors, the Sisters of Mercy, who in 1846, inspired by their Catholic faith and its mandate of union and charity, established an academy defined by intellectual rigor in the tradition of the liberal arts, the encouragement of religious faith, and action in solidarity with the economically poor of the world, especially women and children.

Consistent with this tradition, the University offers challenging undergraduate, graduate and professional programs, characterized by a collegial alliance of faculty, students, staff, administration and community members who are committed to providing coursework, resources, activities and instructional facilities that support excellence in teaching and learning. While chiefly concerned with students' intellectual development, the University also supports their moral and spiritual growth, and enhances their capacity for leadership through cocurricular programs.

At the heart of the academic mission is the University's commitment to a strong general education program that introduces students to college life and learning, broadens their knowledge in the arts and sciences, helps them integrate learning and community concerns, and prepares them for success in their major fields of study and life after graduation. In all programs of study, the University encourages the examination of fundamental questions of human concern, respectful dialogue in the context of diverse points of view and experience, as well as the search for truth and justice.

In an atmosphere of intellectual rigor made possible by academic freedom, University faculty develop and teach courses in their areas of advanced study, extend research in their disciplines, produce scholarly and creative work, and serve the University and community. Faculty are also responsible for academic policies and the design and content of the University curriculum. In teaching, scholarship, and service, faculty represent one of the most visible examples of the intellectual life of the University.

Students at Saint Xavier encounter a wide range of coursework, cocurricular activities, community experiences and support services designed to enhance their learning at all levels, and to help them develop more fully as confident, contributing citizen leaders of an ever-increasingly complex and global community. The University seeks students of diverse talents, experiences, knowledge, interests and cultures who are willing and prepared to learn, and to seek excellence in themselves and others.

Vital to the success of teaching and learning are the dedicated members of variously skilled academic support services and the administrative leadership charged with fostering strategic planning, institutional assessment and effective stewardship and deployment of University resources.

The enduring fellowship of alumni, emeriti faculty, Sisters of Mercy sponsors, trustees and other friends and contributors in the community at large demonstrate their continuing faith in the central mission of Saint Xavier through various acts of giving, prayer and support.

Infusing this community of shared concern are the distinctive qualities and values of Saint Xavier University, including the belief that faith and reason can interact in mutually fruitful ways. Therefore, the University membership encourages a full search for truth, including religious truth, while respecting freedom of personal expression. It also promotes a vigorous and compassionate dialogue among the various faith traditions, and between them and the academic disciplines. At its foundation, teaching and learning at Saint Xavier are premised upon and committed to the fundamental dignity and unique worth of each human person.



2012 Honorary Degree Recipient

Citation honoring Joseph Parisi, Ph.D. Upon the conferral by Saint Xavier University of the degree Doctor of Arts and Letters, honoris causa



In his twenty years as editor of *Poetry Magazine*, Joseph Parisi received untold manuscripts from both accomplished and aspiring poets. Among the many he published as virtual unknowns were Kay Ryan and Billy Collins, who later became U.S. Poets Laureate. He also printed dozens of past and future Pulitzer Prize winners, including W.S. Merwin and Lisel Mueller, featured readers at Saint Xavier University.

Recalling his first submission to *Poetry* in 1957 at age 16, Collins remarked: "Joseph Parisi conferred legitimacy on me in 1987." Of course, many others who offered work never got into print, including the frequent submitter and famed

philanthropist Ruth Lilly. But to her as to legions of hopeful authors, Parisi sent personal notes, not perfunctory rejection slips. And to writers of promise, he wrote letters with detailed comments: a practice almost defunct today.

It was first from his mother Phyllis, a gifted soprano and violinist, that he learned his letters and acquired his love of the arts. Leaving home for Duns Scotus College in 1962, Parisi was already an accomplished pianist and amateur composer. With scholarships and fellowships, he was awarded an honors B.A. from the University of St. Thomas and his M.A. and Ph.D. (also with honors) from the University of Chicago. He began teaching while writing his dissertation, and eventually finished his teaching career at the University of Illinois, Chicago. Then and since, he has been a guest lecturer at institutions throughout this country and abroad.

Parisi has published nine books, most while occupied full-time as an editor, instructor, and administrator. He joined *Poetry* in 1976 and was editor-in-chief from 1983 to 2003. He also served as executive director of the Modern Poetry Association (now Poetry Foundation), and created and directed its many educational programs. His first book was *The POETRY Anthology*, 1912-1977, edited with Daryl Hine (1978). In 1989 he published an essay collection, *Marianne Moore: The Art of a Modernist*, after completing *Voices and Visions:* A *Viewer's Guide* (1987) for the PBS television series. He then produced and hosted his own 13-part series, *Poets in Person*, broadcast over National Public Radio. Libraries across the country have used the programs in discussion groups, for which he wrote *Poets in Person:* A *Listener's Guide* (1992, 1997).

In 2002 he published *Dear Editor:* A History of POETRY in Letters—The First Fifty Years, 1912-1962, co-edited with Stephen Young. They completed the chronicle in 2006 with Between the Lines: A History of POETRY in Letters, 1962-2002. They also compiled The POETRY Anthology, 1912-2002: Ninety Years of America's Most Distinguished Verse Magazine (2002, 2004). Ivan R. Dee published Parisi's highly popular annotated anthology 100 Essential Modern Poems in 2005. Its success prompted 100 Essential Modern Poems by Women, edited with Kathleen Welton (2008). He is now writing a study of Venice, past and present.

His diverse literary activities have been recognized by several accolades, including a fellowship from the Guggenheim Foundation and election as a By-Fellow of Churchill College, Cambridge. The major literary awards that he himself helped establish—the annual Ruth Lilly Poetry Prize and the Ruth Lilly Fellowships—will continue to encourage authors, accomplished and aspiring, into the foreseeable future.

For these and other pertinent reasons, we are most pleased to confer on Joseph Parisi the degree of Doctor of Arts and Letters, *honoris causa*, with all the rights and privileges thereof. Done at Chicago, Illinois this Fifteenth Day of December, Two Thousand and Twelve.



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Musical Prelude

Saint Xavier University Wind Ensemble Directed by Jeff Malecki, D.M.A. Director, Bands and Orchestra Assistant Professor, Department of Music

Announcements

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Chorale Prelude

Above Me, Round Me Lie by Stephen A. Paulus

The University Chorale Directed by Jan E. Bickel, D.M.A. Director, Vocal Studies Professor, Department of Music

I say that we are wound With mercy round and round As if with air; the same Is Mary, more by name. She, wild web, wond'rous robe, Mantles the guilty globe, Since God has let dispense Her prayers his providence: Nay, more than almoner, The sweet alms' self is her And men are meant to share Her life as life does air.

Be thou then, O thou dear Mother, my atmosphere; My happier world, wherein To wend and meet no sin.

Above me, round me lie Fronting my froward eye (With sweet and scarless sky;) Stir in my ears, speak there Of God's love, O live air, Of patience, penance, prayer.

World-mothering air, air wild, Wound with thee, in thee isled, Fold home, fast fold thy child. Above me, round me lie.

"Above Me, Round Me Lie" has been adapted by Stephen A. Paulus from "The Blessed Virgin Compared to the Air We Breathe" by Gerard Manley Hopkins, S.J.

Commissioned by Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hoeschler in honor of former President Judith A. Dwyer, Ph.D., and premiered at Saint Xavier University on Founders' Day, December 2004.

Program

Processional

Saint Xavier University Wind Ensemble

Pomp and Circumstance No. 1 by Sir Edward Elgar

Order of Procession

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Welcome

Michael Bathgate, Ph.D.

Marshal and Master of Ceremonies

President, Faculty Senate
Associate Professor, Department of Religious Studies

Invocation

Graziano Marcheschi, D.Min. Executive Director, University Ministry

The National Anthem

The University Chorale

The Star Spangled Banner by Francis Scott Key Arranged by James McKelvy

President's Remarks

Christine M. Wiseman, J.D.

President

Student Speaker

Jade Alexandria Lewis

Bachelor of Science, Biology

Conferral of Honorary Degree

Christine M. Wiseman, J.D.

President

Honorary Degree Recipient

Joseph Parisi, Ph.D.

Commencement Address

Joseph Parisi, Ph.D.

Conferral of Degrees

Christine M. Wiseman, J.D.

Please silence all cellphones during the commencement ceremony.

Thank you.

All participants and guests are cordially invited to a reception in the recreational gymnasium, immediately following this ceremony.



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Courtney Coutts

Clarinet

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Edith Perez (December 2012 Graduate)
Courtney Petrauskas, bass
Richard Widmer (December 2012 Graduate)

Bassoon

Kristina Iazzetto

Saxophone

Kevin Boevers, principal alto Ryan Jones, alto Eileen Moran, alto Adam Senase, alto Christian Hatfield, tenor Barbara Moreno, tenor Kristopher Sanchez, bari Alex Zabawa, bari

Trumpet

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Horn

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Trombone
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Max Sazon
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Euphonium
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Certification of the conferral of a degree is by receipt of a diploma or official transcript noting degree completion.



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Rima Sayegh John T. Scanlon Ahmad K. Shaqildi Brian Sherwood Anesha J. Smith Salem M. Suleiman Benjamin T. Touzinsky Tyara Natae Marie Ward Keith K. Watson

Corey M. Wennmacher Roy A. Witty Tyeika S. Wright

Yolanda Zavala-Howe



Graham School of Management

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Master of Business Administration

Omar M. Alwehaibi Karlen M. Benbenek Kathryn M. Bland Nathan C. Bouda David A. Bradel

Jon-Pierre Alexander Bradley Rachel C. Broadhurst

Anton C. Burkett Thomas D. Byrne Ketlen Kristian Beling

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Allan J. Caliman, II Kathy L. Campbell José G. Cardo

Joseph M. Cerullo DeJuan I. Coleman

Cahren A. Cruz

Modupe Bukky Dasilva

Maureen E. Davis
Latona R. Devers
Kirby V. Drake
John G. Federico
Griselda M. Feliciano
Brandon M. Ferrell

Patrick M. Frierson Colleen M. Gallagher

Patrick J. Geary Rafal Golonka

Marta Franczyk

Katrina Grey Saed Hammad Maureen M. Hart

David J. Hasty

Cheretta R. Hill Melissa M. Holdsworth

Robert K. Jackson Catrina R. Johnson

Marilyn Frances Jurlow

Anne Kahle Phanitha Kilaru

Stanislaw Komorowski

Timothy J. Lang

Anna M. Lewandowski

R. Christopher Lewis

Shara C. Love
Karen A. Marsh
Carrie A. Mayer
Larry S. Mayhew, Jr.
Benjamin M. McDonnell

Lashawna R. McFadden-Curtis

Danielle L. McGee

Laura E. McShane

Michael P. McShane Catherine L. Moran Ashley L. Moscato

Madison L. Moyer Jasmine Neveles

Folashade Ibioumi Omiyale Rekevia L. K. Pavne-Stiff

Arthur Piesiewicz

Juan C. Pinto

Andrzelika Kinga Plewa

Ligia C. Popescu Scott T. Popik Shayna P Popper Basia Janay Price

Jorge Robles Suzanna M. Russo

Margaret M. Schroeder

Jacquelyne R. Sharp Brendan M. Sheehy

Samanthia Smith Emily A. Sobut

Debra K. Staples

Natalie B. Strong Candice Marie Tate

Gayle T. Thompson

Robert A. Vallera, Jr. Nicholas Veesaert

William G. Vorderer

James Wawrzaszek Andrew J Zaucha



School of Education

S. Beverly Gulley, Ph.D., Dean

Bachelor of Science

Noof R. Alshahin Mnal D. Arouri Carlyne A. Bobek Randall M. Broholm Amie N. Brown Kierston N. Castleberry Sarah Chaffee Kathleen M. Cumbo Iennifer C. Driscoll Joseph Ganta Christina M. Gonzalez Kathleen M. Jantz Joanna Katherine Janulis Larissa A. Jondle Natalia J. Kojs Mallory A. Kolkmeyer Eric R. Kraatz CathyJo Kreger-Andrews Jordyn A. Kueltzo Marissa L. Lee Casey Fulton Liston Kristen M. Marshall

Alyssa J. Mikulskis

Jessica Ann Walker

Elise C. Steuben

David Stonis

Master of Arts

Butch A. Acena

Meredith L. Adelman Sarah B. Allen Nichole B. Anderson Iulie A. Antonini Diana M. Arnold Amy Marie Ashcraft Carolyn A. Babinski Mary T. Berls Laurie M. Bjerklie Melissa Renee Booth Renee B. Bronson Amy Lauren Bucio Meghan A. Carlson Lissette M. Chavez Leah M. Coleman Denise E. Conley Megan C. Cornell Catherine M. Costello Sally A. Crane Molly A. Cummings Jamie L. Cunningham Jayme Kay Curl Sarah B. Davidson Anna K. Davila Nicole T. Denton Ann D. Egleton Jessica L. Evans Kassidy M. Facker Karen Fehr Lila I. Fino

Pricila M. Foth Patricia Fuentes Courtney Michele Fulton Amy C. Gallagher Pharaoh Jamal Gay Sarah R. Gerlinger Madolyn J. Gorney LeighAnn Grabowski Sally D. Grimm Melanie L. Mahurin Hadaway Amy B. Hainzinger Tracy T. Hall Tracy A. Harms Kathleen E. Hartzler Julie M. Heppner Deanna Hicks Allison S. Hillman Kelly S. Honegger Rebekah J. Horton Vaeshan D. Hudson Cynthia A. Ifft Steven E. Inman Joanna M. Jackson Timothy Januszyk Shannon K. Kaltenbach Theresa R. Kehoe Breanne C. Kessenich Jennifer Ann Klockowski Deborah R. Knapp Amanda Abbott Knox Jennifer A. Kopec Jill M. Kotas Peter H. Kreten

Jennifer A. Krichbaum

Sue Ellen Flak



School of Education

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Nicole Angela Kuchta Scott M. Kupka Jennifer L. LaBrie Jillian Labuda Colleen A. Larson Kylie A. Lawson Melisa Ledesma Megan M. Lee Nicole K. Leyva Richard K. Lietz Matthew S. Lindgren Elizabeth A. Lloyd Elyse M. Lunz Katie L. Manuel Virginia Cappas Marasco Natasha Jovonne Martin Laura L. Mastel Iill McDonald Scott R. McGuire Kathryn J. McLane Nora C. McNaughton-Nerius Natalie L. Messersmith Elizabeth P. Mikos Nichelle L. Mitchell Courtney Mix-Binish Shannon M. Molloy Tamara L. Monier

Virginia J. Mooney

Denise B. Mulcahy

Jasmine T. Murray

Jacqueline L. Neilan

Patricia Macellaio Mulligan

Crystal R. Moore

Angela M. Newman Amy L. Nichols Jody A. Nyboer Marla O'Brien Kathleen M. O'Connor Sara A. Pappalito Susan K. Patikowski Megan E. Patterson Iennie R. Peck Meghan J. Petschinsky Heather Lynn Pierce Leslie U. Powell Philena L. Pugh Jennifer L. Quinn Karen J. Ramirez Arno J. Reichel Julie A. Renzi Kathryn J. Ricketts Christopher A. Rierson Janet C. Rinker Jodee R. Ritter Connie M. Rogers Jeremiah E. Royster Lisa M. Russell Kevin G. Ryan Timothy D. Ryan Kelly K. Sabatini Taranika P. Sanders Tricia L. Schaefers Neal John Schuch Portery A. Scott Yolanda Scott-Bell Carmille Vichl Ann Sipp Lauren Marie Skinner Laura J. Sorrenti-Perry Christopher A. Spencer Katelin M. Spratte Susan A. Stachnik Zachary M. Stanis Ashlei G. Steffan Amy H. Stevens Melissa J. Sutton Barbara E. Talaga Melissa M. Tetrev Amber Lynn Thomas Nancy Marie Topor Valerie P. Travaglini Nicolette M. Uresti Amy Lyn Wallerstedt Melissa S. Warning Daniel Welcome Alan Jason Whitfill Marci J. Whitford Candice Nicole Williams Jadiem D. Wilson Sonya K. Wilson Katherine E. Zimmermann Jessica R. Zumwalde



School of Nursing

Julie Ann Buenting, DNS, R.N., WHNP-BC, CNM Associate Dean of Graduate Nursing

Bachelor of Science in Nursing

Zaira Kristel P. Abad Nancy M. Beachler Jeremy M. Benin Talecia M. Bradley Ariel D. Brown

Mercedes Patrice Butler

Leah M. Castillo
Anne M. Copeland
Colleen E. Cunningham
Rose M. DeFrancesco
Marilee Elizondo
Deborah K. Erhardt

Marichu Gorospe Gonzalez

Paul R. Graves Hulya Gudenler

Sonia Guerrero-Gonzalez

Wioletta Gurczak Sharin M. Guzman Talisa J. Hardin Shari M. Hennessey Tirza R. Hernandez
Delicia A. Holmes
Nicole A. Howley
Ashley D. Hunter
Erica Johnson-Perry
Lacquire Francis Kalapurakka

Jacquline Francis Kalapurakkal

Ashley Nicole Key Ellen L. Kirchler

Brianna C. Knickrehm

Krystin M. Koscicki Amanda C. Lally Alexander F. Lopez Loretta M. Magee

Regina M. Mantlo Manuel Martinez

Christina M. Meadors Jasmine A. Mix

Mary H. Murad Melissa H. Murad

Olajumoke Edna Oladeinde

Candace L. Petersen Timothy P. Reed Sharita C. Robinson Anna B. Rusnak Lindsey A. Samawi Kelli L. Schleder Kimberly A. Scudder Heather M. Semmerling

Heather J. Slack
Latrina S. Smith
Shanika S. Spearman
Shelly A. Sprandel
Jeanette L. Stanford
Anna K. Talaga
Katie L. Thornton

Rozenmae Kareen N. Timosa Chynna T. Townsend Anthony L. Turman Julie M. Werner Jessica M. White Terence F. Wilson

Michele L. Zagorski



School of Nursing

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Master of Science in Nursing

Siusan Aaronson-Meredith Michelle D. Brown Meghan M. Closser Kimberly D. Craig Kristin K. Drager Gene A. Duplantier, Jr. Josanna Lei Jampayas Enriquez Alma R. Farris-Pipkin Michelle R. Hotchkin Rachelle Echipare Huemoeller Lisa D. Jordan Leena Jose Gloria G. Lalezas Sherene N. Lindsay Carolyn Rebecca Little Jean M. Matsche

Rebecca L. McGinness

Elizabeth K. Mirabella Amber Morgan Monson Jennifer A. Morgan Wendy S. Morrish Joean K. Murray Ludmila Nuss Andrea Nicole Penn Vikki J. Phillips Pamela D. Reetz Margaret E. Retsema Lisa M. Rinks Emily M. Schrag Kathryn J. Veenstra Merlyn F. Vinzon Lynette M. Volkers Teresa A. Walty Walter A. Watson Dana L. Wert



School for Continuing and Professional Studies

Leslie M. Petty, Ed.D., Dean

Bachelor of Arts

Amour D. Avent
Ronald W. Banas
Darren E. Borum
Joseph P. Dispensa
Tiana Nichole Easley
Cesar J. Esparza
Kevin E. Ferguson
Kenneth D. Franklin, Jr.
Karolis Gedvilas
Mary Gianatasio
Hulya Gudenler
Monique S. Hardy
Kevin P. Harnedy, Jr.
Joanne Elizabeth Hill
Terian P. Hunley

Malikha K. Johns

Spiro A. Kalogris Rachel H. Kang Jessica K. Kelly Elizabeth C. Klyczek Jimmy Krklus Stephanie A. Lia Kevin J. Lusk Faviola Martinez Sarah Elizabeth Miller Ebony N. Mitchell Velva J. Murphy Icel Nammari-Usan Miriam Louise Nicholes Michael B. O'Boyle Thomas J. Osika Nereida Perez Carven Proctor

James M. Ruich Anthony M. Sabella Christopher M. Schleder Thomas A. Sieja Chris Skarupinski Cardia Smith Nichelle M. Stampley Cynthia L. Strickland Amanda C. Tischina Lee Trevino Joe E. Trubich James B. Turney Sergio Valdez Ronald J. Versetto Maria E. Viscarra Thomas G. Watts

Sonia Zambrano



Study Abroad

The following students studied abroad on a short-term, semester and/or academic year program during their studies at Saint Xavier University:

Zaira Abad	Turkey	Manuel Martinez	Croatia
Nancy Beachler	Turkey	Timothy Reed	Turkey
Genevieve Bonadonna	Italy	Jizleth Rios	Italy
Mercedes Butler	Italy	Sharita Robinson	Turkey
Thomas Byrne	China	Anna Rusnak	Mexico
Allan Caliman	China	Lindsey Samawi	Croatia
Crystal Contreras	South Korea	Kelli Schleder	Croatia
Colleen Cunningham	Ireland	Heather Semmerling	Croatia
Marilee Elizondo	Croatia	Jacquelyne Sharp	China
Deborah Erhardt	Italy	Jeanette Stanford	Turkey
Katrina Grey	China	Anna Talaga	Croatia
Hulya Gudenler-Folie	Turkey	Katie Thornton	Italy
Shari Hennessey	Italy	Anthony Turman	Turkey
Nicole Howley	Croatia	Lisa Varley	Australia
Brianna Knickrehm	Turkey	Julie Werner	Italy
Krystin Koscicki	Croatia	Michele Zagorski	Croatia
Kristen Marshall	Spain		
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Conference for Mercy Higher Education

The mission of the Conference for Mercy Higher Education is the preservation and development of the core Catholic identity and mission of Mercy higher education in accord with the spirit, mission, and heritage of the Sisters of Mercy.

Member Institutions

Founded		
1846	Saint Xavier University	Chicago, Illinois
1853	Mount Aloysius College	Cresson, Pennsylvania
1908	Georgian Court University	Lakewood, New Jersey
1912	Saint Joseph's College of Maine	Standish, Maine
1923	College of Saint Mary	Omaha, Nebraska
1924	Misericordia University	Dallas, Pennsylvania
1926	Mercyhurst College	Erie, Pennsylvania
1928	Mount Mercy College	Cedar Rapids, Iowa
1929	Carlow University	Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
1932	University of Saint Joseph, Connecticut	West Hartford, Connecticut
1934	Salve Regina University	Newport, Rhode Island
1941	University of Detroit Mercy	Detroit, Michigan
1948	Gwynedd-Mercy College	Gwynedd Valley, Pennsylvania
1958	Maria College	Albany, New York
1958	Trocaire College	Buffalo, New York
1964	Marian Court College	Swampscott, Massachusetts



Founders

Mother Mary Frances Xavier Warde, R.S.M. †
Sister Mary Vincent McGirr, R.S.M. †
Mother Mary Agatha O'Brien, R.S.M. †
Sister Mary Gertrude McGuire, R.S.M. †
Sister Mary Josephine Corbett, R.S.M. †
Sister Mary Veronica Schmidt, R.S.M. †

Presidents of Saint Kavier College/University

1912-1916	Mother M. Xavier Flanagan, R.S.M. †
1916-1919	Mother M. de Sales Ryan, R.S.M. †
1919-1925	Mother M. Sophia Mitchell, R.S.M., Ph.B. †
1925-1928	Mother M. Cyril McGurn, R.S.M. †
1928-1936	Mother M. Sophia Mitchell, R.S.M., Ph.B. †
1936-1939	Mother M. Genevieve Crane, R.S.M., A.B. †
1939-1945	Mother M. Inez Bogan, R.S.M., Ph.D. †
1945-1960	Mother M. Huberta McCarthy, R.S.M., M.S. †
1960-1963	Sister M. Josetta Butler, R.S.M., Ph.D. †
1963-1968	Sister M. Olivia Barrett, R.S.M., Ph.D. †
1968-1969	Marvin G. Osborn, Jr., M.A., Interim
1969-1972	Harry A. Marmion, Ph.D. †
1972-1982	Sister M. Irenaeus Chekouras, R.S.M., Ph.D. †
1982-1994	Ronald O. Champagne, Ph.D.
1994	Sister Colette Mahoney, R.S.H.M., Ph.D., Interim
1994-2003	Richard A. Yanikoski, Ph.D.
2003-2009	Judith A. Dwyer, Ph.D.
2009-2010	Angela Durante, Ph.D., Interim
2010-	Christine M. Wiseman, J.D.

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Deans of Saint Kavier College/University

1915-1936	Sister M. Irma O'Brien, R.S.M. †
1936-1937	Sister Mary of the Angels Simon, R.S.M., Acting Dean \dagger
1937-1940	Sister M. Celeste Leger, R.S.M. †
1940-1960	Sister M. Josetta Butler, R.S.M. †*
1961-1967	Sister M. Silveria Lederer, R.S.M., Ph.D. †
1967-1979	Evangeline Bollinger, Ph.D. †
1979-1985	Rev. J. Peter Carey, S.J., Ph.D.
1985-1994	Sister Maureen A. Scott, R.S.M., Ph.D. Vice President and Dean of Faculty
1995-2000	George C. Matthews, Ph.D. Vice President for Academic Affairs
2001-2004	Christopher I. Chalokwu, Ph.D. Vice President for Academic Affairs
2004-2008	Dominick J. Hart, Ph.D. Interim Vice President for Academic Affairs (2004-2005) Provost (2005-2008)
2008-	Angela Durante, Ph.D. Provost

^{*} Beginning with Sister Josetta, deans were often subsequently promoted to a vice-presidency which included responsibility for faculty and academic affairs. Thus, Sister Josetta was Executive Vice President and Dean of Faculty, 1955-60. Sister Silveria (Dr. Mary Roby) was Vice President and Dean, 1963-67; she resigned as dean to pursue graduate studies, but retained the title of vice president until 1969. Dr. Bollinger was Vice President for Academic Affairs and Dean Faculty, 1970-79. Rev. Carey was Vice President and Dean of Faculty, 1983-85. (See Joy Clough, R.S.M., First in Chicago: A History of Saint Xavier University, 1997, 88.)



Board Chairs at Saint Kavier University

1971-1977	Thomas A. Lewis †
1977-1979	Cornelius M. Ryan
1979-1981	Thomas J. Nessinger †
1981-1988	Martin J. Detmer
1988-1989	William B. Graham III
1989-1997	James J. McDonough
1997-2003	John C. McCarthy
2003-2006	John P. Sweeney
2006-2010	Thomas E. Chomicz
2010-	John T. Costello

From 1847 to 1971 in virtue of her office, the major superior of the Sisters of Mercy of Chicago functioned as head of the group responsible for the Saint Xavier Corporation, though that group had different names and configurations through the years.

The first lay trustees, Edward J. McAdams and Raymond J. Spaeth, joined the Board on November 23, 1966.

Saint Xavier altered its bylaws in 1970 to allow for the possibility of a lay trustee to serve as chairperson of the Board of Trustees. (See Joy Clough, R.S.M., First in Chicago: A History of Saint Xavier University, 1997, 75.)

School Names

Saint Francis Xavier Academy for Females	1846
Saint Francis Xavier College for Women	1912
Saint Xavier College	1957
Saint Xavier University	1992

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Honorary Degree Recipients

1950	Ms. Mary Amberg	1984	Mr. A. N. Pritzker †
1950	Ms. Marie Plamondon †	1985	Sister Mary Brian Costello, R.S.M.
1952	Ms. Laura B. Corbett	1985	Mr. Arthur Rubloff †
1960	Honorable Richard J. Daley †	1985	Mr. Jonathan E. Schell
1960	Mr. Benjamin F. Lindheimer †	1986	Mr. Wallace E. Carroll †
1960	Mr. Charles F. Murphy †	1986	Ms. Ardis Krainik †
1960	Mr. Morgan Murphy †	1986	Sister Sheila Lyne, R.S.M.
1961	Very Reverend John E. Marr, O.P.	1987	Mrs. Marjorie C. Benton
1961	Mother M. Huberta McCarthy, R.S.M. †	1987	Mr. Robert W. Galvin
1961	Mr. Peter M. Shannon †	1987	Honorable Daniel P. Moynihan †
1961	Mr. Thomas J. Walsh †	1988	Joseph Cardinal Bernardin †
1961	Mother M. Regina Cunningham,	1988	Ms. Margaret Hillis †
	R.S.M. †	1988	Mr. Arturo Velasquez †
1963	Mrs. Eleanor Daley †	1989	Mr. Lester Crown
1963	Dr. Gertrude Engbring †	1989	Mr. Anthony DeSantis †
1965	Ms. Esther Garrison	1989	Monsignor John J. Egan †
1965	Honorable Edith Green	1989	Mrs. Maria T. Paschen
1965	Mr. R. Sargent Shriver †	1990	Mr. John F. Cuneo, Jr.
1971	Mr. Donald O'Toole †	1990	Dr. Martin E. Marty
1971	Mr. Marvin G. Osborn, Jr.	1990	Mrs. Jayne C. Thompson
1978	Mr. Thomas A. Lewis †	1991	Monsignor Ignatius D. McDermott †
1981	Dr. Edmund D. Pellegrino	1991	Dr. Donna Shalala
1983	Mr. William B. Graham †	1991	Mr. Jerrold Wexler †
1983	Most Reverend John R. Roach, D.D. †	1992	Dr. Leon Lederman
1983	Dr. Rosemary R. Ruether	1992	Mr. Andrew J. McKenna
1984	Mrs. Gwendolyn Brooks †	1992	Ms. Kathy Osterman †
1984	Archbishop Dom Helder Camara †	1993	Ms. Eppie Lederer †



Honorary Degree Recipients

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1993	Mr. Frank W. Luerssen	2004	Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.
1993	Dr. Garry Wills	2005	Ms. Margaret T.G. Burroughs †
1994	Mr. Frank W. Considine	2005	Sister Margaret A. Farley, R.S.M.
1994	Ms. Mary Gordon	2005	Mr. Norman C. Francis
1994	Mr. William A. McIntosh	2006	Sister Rosemary Connelly, R.S.M.
1995	Sister Alice Gallin, O.S.U.	2007	Mr. Warner Saunders
1995	Mr. Michael Novak	2007	Mr. Norman R. Bobins
1995	Mr. Martin Ozinga, Jr. †	2007	General Colin L. Powell (Ret.)
1996	Sister Doris Gottemoeller, R.S.M.	2007	Sister Ana Maria Pineda, R.S.M.
1996	Dr. David Tracy	2008	Mr. James J. O'Connor
1997	Ms. Tracy Chapman	2008	Mr. James J. McDonough
1997	Dr. Muhammad Yunus	2008	Mrs. Margaret Corbett Daley †
1998	Mr. Robert E. Hord, Sr. †	2008	Mr. Elie Wiesel
1998	Mr. David S. Logan †	2008	Sister Sharon Ann Euart, R.S.M.
1998	Dr. Elaine M. Schuster	2009	Mr. Robert Stump
1998	Mr. Christopher Zorich	2009	Mrs. Mary Rita Stump
1999	Mr. Bernard L. Downey	2009	Mr. Richard H. Driehaus
1999	Ms. Mary Houghton	2009	Sister Mary Aquin O'Neill, R.S.M.
1999	Dr. Janet D. Rowley	2010	Mr. Larry R. Rogers, Sr.
1999	Mr. Brian O. Shannon †	2010	Reverend Michael M. Boland
2000	Mr. Marshall B. Front	2010	Dr. Jeanette Rodriguez
2000	Mr. Arthur R. Velasquez	2010	Sister Lois Graver, R.S.M.
2001	Mr. Ramsey Lewis	2010	The Honorable Virginia A. Rugai
2001	Sister Christian Molidor, R.S.M.	2011	Mr. Michael Carroll
2001	Reverend John J. Wall	2011	Mr. Donald Paul Hahn
2002	Mr. John Callaway †	2011	Mr. Dominic Belmonte
2002	Mr. Terry G. Hillard	2011	Most Reverend Moses B. Anderson, S.S.E.
2002	Mr. James T. Joyce	2011	Mr. Sidney Finkel
2002	Mr. Jack Simmerling	2012	Sister Marilyn Lacey, R.S.M.
2003	Mr. Richard E. Terry	2012	Dr. Courtney H. Lyder



Shield of Saint Kavier Hward

The Shield of Saint Xavier is the University's highest honor. The Shield is awarded annually to outstanding people who are nominated by the University community and chosen by our Board of Trustees. Recipients of the Shield of Saint Xavier are honored for their support of Saint Xavier's mission of academic excellence and social concern and for their demonstrated commitment to these important values through their own quest of learning and commitment to service.

Recipients of the Shield of Saint Kavier Hward

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1988	Sister Catherine Gallagher, R.S.M. '45 †
1989	Sister Mary Huberta McCarthy, R.S.M. '32 †
	Sister M. Josetta Butler, R.S.M. '35, Ph.D. †
	Mayor Richard J. Daley †
	Morgan F. Murphy †
	Peter M. Shannon †
	Thomas J. Walsh †
1990	Mayor Richard M. and Margaret Corbett † Daley
1991	Honorable Marty A. Russo
1991	Sister Sheila Lyne, R.S.M. '60, '65
1992	Joseph J. Ahern
1993	Christopher Columbus
1995	Patricia Daley Martino, '60
1996	Senator Paul and Jeanne Simon †
1990	Bishop Moses Anderson, S.S.E. '68
1997	*
	Sister Denis O'Grady, R.S.M. '37, Ph.D. †
	Sister Patricia Crowley, O.S.B.
	William Ferris †
1000	Toby Herr
1998	James and Jacque McDonough
1999	Sister Rosemary Connelly, R.S.M. '57
2000	Mary A. Dempsey
2001	Monsignor John J. Egan †
2001	Thomas F. and Susan Carey
2002	Robert and Mary Rita Stump
2003	Sister Elizabeth Barrett, R.S.M. '42, Ph.D. †
	Sister Irenaeus Chekouras, R.S.M. '55, Ph.D. †
	Sister Lucille McKillop, R.S.M. '51, Ph.D. †
2004	Sister Sheila Megley, R.S.M. '68, Ph.D.
2004	James and Ellen O'Connor
2005	Arthur and Joanne Velasquez
2006	Richard H. Driehaus
2007	Honorable Edward M. Burke
2008	Honorable William M. Daley
2009	Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I., Ph.D.
2010	Frank M. Clark
2011	Dr. Gerald and Mary Clare Loftus, '65
2012	James A. and Patricia A. Morris '83, Ph.D.



The Ceremonial Mace

Saint Xavier University introduced a ceremonial mace to the commencement procession in January 2004. The mace is an ornamental staff that has historically symbolized academic authority and adds to the pageantry of the ceremony. The Saint Xavier University mace consists of a carved walnut staff adorned with the Saint Xavier seal, cast in bronze, and is ushered in by an honored faculty member serving as the grand marshal of the procession. The mace is displayed in the University's Robert and Mary Rita Murphy Stump Library.

Heademic Dress and Procession

"The formal academic regalia being worn today had their origin in the clerical costumes of medieval Europe and have evolved into a great variety of patterns and styles. Late in the last century, the American colleges and universities agreed to standardize their regalia; however, there is now a movement to return to individual designs for each institution.

The gown worn by those holding or receiving the bachelor's degree is plain black with pointed sleeves. The master's gown was characterized by a unique, long, closed sleeve with a slit at the elbow, through which the arm protruded; thus peculiarity is now being replaced by a sleeve more like that of the bachelor's. The doctoral gown has very full bell sleeves and is trimmed with velvet in panels down the front and in strips across the sleeves. This trim may be either black or in a color that denotes the particular type of doctorate – royal blue for the Ph.D., green for the M.D., and various others.

The familiar mortarboard cap bears only a faint resemblance to its close relative, the clerical biretta. Some institutions now specify a soft cap somewhat like a tam o'shanter. The bachelor's decorate the cap with a tassel in black or the color indicative of the degree. Master's wear black tassels; the doctors wear either black or metallic gold.

Most symbolic and informative of the regalia is the hood, which is no longer raised over the head, but is hung down the back, just as a cleric wore it when baring the head in church. The bachelor's hood is three feet long, the master's is three-and-one-half feet, and the doctor's is four feet long with a rectangular panel, which once served as a shoulder cap when the hood was raised. A curious short tail at the peak of the hood is all that now remains of a long strip, which was wrapped around the throat as a scarf. All of the hoods have a velvet border in the color of the degree according to the same system used for the trim of the doctoral gown.

In the Middle Ages, academic hoods were lined with miniver, lamb's wool, or rabbit fur – a necessity in unheated schools and churches. By the 14th century, professors were silk-lined hoods in summer; satin is now used to line the hoods. The colors and patterns of the satin lining of the hood identify the college or university conferring the degree."

Richard C. Pilger, Jr., Marshal Emeritus, Saint Mary's College, Notre Dame, Indiana. Used with permission.



The following is a list of common academic colors:

Arts, Letters, Humanities	White	Philosophy	Dark Blue
Business, Accounting	Light Brown	Public Health	Salmon Pink
Education	Light Blue	Science	Golden Yellow
Fine Arts	Brown	Social Work	Citron
Music	Pink	Speech	Silver Gray
Nursing	Apricot	Theology, Religious Studies	Scarlet

H Special Request to the Guests of Our Graduates

To assure that today's ceremony is a joyous occasion for all those present, we respectfully request that guests of the graduates remain seated during the ceremony. Please respect all of the graduates by refraining from shouting, whistling or extraneous noise as names are being called.

At the end of the ceremony, guests are asked to remain in their seats until the recessional of graduates has left the Shannon Center arena.

Graduation Honors

Due to grade reporting and program printing deadlines, graduation honors are not listed in the commencement booklet. However, graduation honors are announced with the students' names at the awarding of the diploma.

To be eligible for graduation honors, students must have completed at least fifty (50) graded semester hours at Saint Xavier University and earned a cumulative grade-point average of:

- 3.50 for Cum Laude (with honors, white Honor Cords)
- 3.70 for Magna Cum Laude (with high honors, silver Honor Cords)
- 3.90 for Summa Cum Laude (with highest honors, gold Honor Cords)

The cumulative GPA is based exclusively on credits earned at Saint Xavier University and is the higher of (a) the GPA for all credits earned at Saint Xavier University or (b) the last fifty hours earned prior to graduation. If the student reaches and exceeds fifty hours in a term, then all courses earned that term are counted in the GPA for the "last fifty hours." The student is not allowed to pick the courses to equal exactly fifty hours. Graduation honors are recognized for undergraduate degrees only.

Honors announced during the Commencement ceremonies are anticipated honors based upon grades posted to the student record, excluding the current active semester. The honors posted on the transcript, as part of the student's official record, are based upon grades earned through the final semester. The posted honors may differ from the announced honors.

"Honors Scholar" denotes a student who has completed all requirements of the Saint Xavier University Undergraduate Honors Program, including Junior Year Fieldwork and Senior Year Research or Creative Project.



The Suspice of Mother Mary Catherine McHuley (1778-1841)

Founder of the Religious Sisters of Mercy (1831) Declared Venerable by Pope John Paul II (1990)

My God, I am thine for all eternity;

teach me to cast my whole self into the arms of Thy Providence

with the most lively unlimited confidence

in Thy compassionate, tender pity.

"Grant, O most Merciful Redeemer,

that whatever Thou dost ordain or permit

may always be acceptable to me;

take from my heart all painful anxiety,

suffer nothing to afflict me, but sin;

nothing to delight me, but the hope of coming

to the possession of Thee, my God,

in Thy own everlasting Kingdom. Amen."

The original wording of "The Suspice" as found in Catherine McAuley and the Tradition of Mercy, by Mary C. Sullivan, R.S.M.

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