

# THE UNIVERSITY

## History

Xavier University was established in 1831 when the first bishop of Cincinnati, Edward Fenwick, raised a two-story building near the cathedral in downtown Cincinnati and opened its doors to educate seminarians and other young men in the Ohio area. This institute of arts and sciences was the first Catholic institution of higher learning in the entire Northwest Territory. The original name of the college was The Athenaeum, but it was dedicated from the beginning to the patronage of St. Francis Xavier.

At first, the college was administered by the bishop and his diocesan priests, but as it grew it began to require professional academic leadership. In 1840, Father Roothan, the Jesuit General, responded to Bishop Purcell's (Fenwick's successor) request and appointed three Jesuit priests, two brothers, and two scholastics to assume the leadership of the college. Its name was changed to St. Xavier College in honor of the Jesuit educator under whose patronage the college was originally placed.

It was during these first few years as a Jesuit institution that Xavier began to take on the unique character and special role that it fulfills today. For example, a mercantile program was added to the curriculum in 1840 because the Jesuit educators recognized the need to supplement the traditional humanities education with a sound business program. Today, the University is recognized for its development of an excellent Williams College of Business, established in 1961, which, together with the other undergraduate colleges—the College of Arts and Sciences and the College of Social Sciences as well as the Center for Adult and Part-time Students (CAPS)—provides students with a broad-based learning experience.

In 1841, Xavier offered its first night courses, beginning a tradition of serving the unique needs and schedules of professionals in the Cincinnati community, a tradition it proudly continues today.

St. Xavier College moved to its present location in the geographic center of the city in 1919, when its growth and development called for new and larger facilities. To reflect that growth and development, the name was changed to Xavier University in 1930. Since that time, the University has become coeducational (1969) and has implemented a host of new academic programs, facilities, community projects and student services.

A historical development at Xavier was the addition on July 1, 1980, of a second campus and a fourth undergraduate college, Edgecliff College. Founded in 1935 by the Sisters of Mercy as a women's liberal arts college, Edgecliff brought with it 45 years of dedication and academic excellence. In 1985, the Edgecliff campus was sold and all programs were moved to the main campus.

The campus grew in the 1980s with donations of property by the U.S. Shoe Corp. in 1982 and the Rainbo Baking Co. in 1986 (including an 84,000-square-foot building) that increased Xavier's total acreage to 80 acres.

Other expansions included Xavier Village, a 56-unit student apartment complex, constructed on 5.6 acres of property purchased from Peggy Becker Jackson in May 1988, and the Link Complex, three acres received through a charitable trust from Dr. Joseph Link Jr. on Jan. 2, 1989. These additions brought Xavier's total area to 89 acres.

On April 21, 1991, the Rev. James E. Hoff, S.J., was inaugurated as Xavier's 33rd Jesuit president. Under Fr. Hoff's leadership, the University has continued to grow:

- The Carl H. Lindner Family Physics Building was dedicated in October 1991. The building is part of an \$8.8 million science center project that provides state-of-the-art classroom and laboratory facilities for the University's physics, biology and chemistry programs.
- In the fall of 1995, the University dedicated its newest residence hall to Clement and Ann Buenger. Completed in 1993, the coed residence houses 205 students and features two-, three- and four-bedroom suites arranged around a central kitchen, dining and lounge area. Mr. Buenger graduated from Xavier in 1953 and is retired chief executive officer of Fifth Third Bancorp in Cincinnati.

- Probably one of the largest endeavors the University has ever undertaken began in 1994. In March of that year, the board of trustees endorsed the direction of a University strategic plan. XU2000 is an aggressive plan that will shape Xavier's development into the 21st century. The plan was created to make Xavier academically, financially and spiritually stronger. Since XU2000 was introduced Xavier has:
  - Achieved a ranking among the top regional colleges and universities for four straight years by *U.S. News & World Report*.
  - Earned a ranking as one of the nation's 150 best educational buys by *Money* magazine.
  - Renovated the academic and residential malls with lush landscaping, green spaces and sitting areas.
  - Created a doctoral degree program in psychology, Xavier's first doctoral level course of study and the second Psy.D. program in Ohio.
  - Received a \$400,000 challenge grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities to support the Ethics/Religion & Society focus of the core curriculum.
  - Increased the number of national alumni chapters to 42.
  - Entered the Atlantic 10 Conference.
  - Implemented a weekend degree program.
  - Wired all residence hall rooms for external database links.
  - Broke ground on the Cintas Center, a multipurpose convocation center that will offer student dining, conference facilities, a banquet hall and a 10,000-seat athletic arena. The facility will open in 2000.
  - Launched The Century Campaign, the most ambitious fund-raising campaign in the University's history. The campaign is responsible for the completed renovations of Hinkle Hall and the campus malls, the ongoing restoration of Schmidt Hall and the construction of the Cintas Center. The campaign is also enhancing Xavier's endowment, providing additional funds for scholarships, financial aid, and creating a center for religious dialogues.

Xavier's growth in the century and a half since its founding reflects its origins as a teaching institution that soundly prepares students for careers, graduate study, or both. A Xavier education, particularly at the undergraduate level, is marked by an emphasis on liberal arts learning contained in Xavier's core curriculum. Equally important in the Xavier tradition is the synthesis of human, cultural and ethical values; concern and respect for all people; and an appreciation of the worth and dignity of the self and others.

### **Xavier University: Mission Statement**

Xavier's mission is to educate. Our essential activity is the interaction of students and faculty in an educational experience characterized by critical thinking and articulate expression with special attention given to ethical issues and values.

Xavier is a Catholic institution in the Jesuit tradition, an urban university firmly rooted in the principles and convictions of the Judeo-Christian tradition and in the best ideals of the American heritage.

Xavier is an educational community dedicated to the pursuit of knowledge, to the orderly discussion of issues confronting society and, as would befit an American institution grounded in the humanities and sciences, Xavier is committed unreservedly to open and free inquiry.

Xavier, while primarily an undergraduate institution emphasizing the liberal arts, is also committed to providing graduate and professional education in areas of its demonstrated competence and where it meets a particular need of society, especially of Xavier's regional constituency. Faculty members, moreover, are strongly encouraged to engage in research outside the classroom in order to maintain the professional standing of the institution.

With attention to the student as an individual, Jesuit education seeks to develop intellectual skills for both a full life in the human community and service in the Kingdom of God; critical attention to the underlying philosophical and theological implications of issues; a world view that is oriented to responsible action and recognizes the intrinsic value of the natural and human values; an understanding and communication of moral and religious values through personal concern and lived witness, as well as by precept and instruction; and a sense of the whole person—body, mind, and spirit.

In keeping with this Jesuit tradition, Xavier believes that religious insights are complementary to the intellectual life, and that a continuing synthesis of the Christian perspective with all other forms of human knowledge is conducive to wisdom and understanding. Xavier shares in the worldwide Jesuit commitment to a creative and intelligent engagement with questions of peace and justice.

Xavier aims to provide all students with a supportive learning environment that offers opportunities for identifying personal needs, setting goals, and developing recreational and aesthetic interests and skills for daily living and leadership. The self-understanding and interpersonal development that result are vital corollaries to a student's academic development.

Xavier believes that these goals can be achieved only through academic programs of high quality that are served by a faculty devoted primarily to excellence in teaching, are nurtured by scholarship and research and are supported by a broad range of University ministry and student life programs.

### **Jesuit Education**

Xavier University offers its students the advantages of a quality liberal education, which has always been the center of the Jesuit university. Such an education frees the individual from sole concentration on immediate concerns to explore the diverse achievements of civilization along with the vast potential of the human person. Jesuit and Catholic education presume that the truth about the world and humankind, discovered through human reason, cannot ultimately conflict with the truth of faith, since the two have a common origin in God. Indeed, the continuing dialogue between religious tradition and developing human wisdom is of primary importance in the search for ultimate truth.

Education at a Jesuit and Catholic institution strives to integrate the intellectual dimension of learning with the spiritual experience of the student and to nurture a strong system of personal moral values. The goal is the formation of the student's mind and heart into a habit of reaching out to the needs of today's and tomorrow's global society and, in the process, of reaching out to God.

Jesuit education is committed to providing students with a supportive learning environment: addressing personal needs, developing career goals, and encouraging recreational and aesthetic balance, along with the academic curriculum. In addition, opportunities are provided for spiritual and religious growth and a developing habit of service to others.

### **Assessment**

Xavier University has demonstrated its commitment to excellence by instituting an assessment program. Xavier's assessment program includes all aspects of the university and is ongoing. The goal of this program is the continual improvement of the educational experience at Xavier. The involvement of every member of the Xavier community—faculty, staff and students—is necessary to ensure that the assessment program is a success.

### **College of Arts and Sciences (CAS)**

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The College of Arts and Sciences, Xavier's largest and oldest college, accepts the primary responsibility for the liberal education of students at the university. The college also provides systematic concentrations of courses in major fields in order to give a student an understanding in depth of a single academic discipline.

To accomplish these objectives, the college offers majors in the departments of art, biology, chemistry, classics, communication arts, English, history, mathematics and computer science, modern languages, music, philosophy, physics, and theology. At the graduate level, master's degree programs are offered in English, history, humanities and theology.

### **College of Social Sciences (CSS)**

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Xavier's newest college, the College of Social Sciences, was formed in 1988, the result of a reorganization of the academic division of the University. The programs in this college have a special focus directed toward society and its needs in the areas of education, health, political life, and community service.

Undergraduate degree programs are offered in criminal justice, economics, education, international affairs, nursing, occupational therapy, political science and sociology, psychology, and social work. Master's degree programs are available in criminal justice, education, health services administration and psychology. A doctoral program is offered in psychology.

### **Williams College of Business (CBA)**

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The Williams College of Business was established in 1961 to educate students to become manager-leaders. In 1998, the College was named in honor of William John and Charles Finn Williams, who founded Western-Southern Life Insurance Co. in 1888. Together, they turned the insurer into a \$13 billion financial services group, now led by Chairman William J. Williams. Western-Southern is one of Cincinnati's oldest businesses and a frequent supporter of education and charities. In the Jesuit tradition, the Williams College of Business prepares students to continually improve and serve their organizations and the global society in which they live and work. In addition to ten undergraduate majors, the college includes M.B.A. and Executive M.B.A. programs, the Xavier Entrepreneurship Center and the Center for International Business. The Williams College of Business is accredited by the American Assembly of Collegiate Schools of Business.

### **Center for Adult and Part-time Students (CAPS)**

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The purpose of the center is to admit, advise, and register all undergraduate degree-seeking and non-degree-seeking students 22 years of age and older. Undergraduate degree-seeking students who are under 22 years of age must be admitted through the office of admission, but may use CAPS for advising and registering if they take courses primarily in the evenings or in the weekend degree program. The CAPS email address is [xucaps@admin.xu.edu](mailto:xucaps@admin.xu.edu); the weekend degree program email address is [xuwdp@admin.xu.edu](mailto:xuwdp@admin.xu.edu).

### **Consortium Opportunities**

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Xavier is a member of the Greater Cincinnati Consortium of Colleges and Universities, a consortium of institutions of higher education in southwestern Ohio and northern Kentucky. This membership offers new opportunities for curriculum enrichment through cross-registration for courses not generally available in the home institution. The program is available to all students who are enrolled at least halftime. The consortium schools, which may include their branch campuses, are:

Art Academy of Cincinnati	Miami University
Athenaeum of Ohio	Northern Kentucky University
Chatfield College	Thomas More College
Cincinnati Bible College & Seminary	University of Cincinnati
Cincinnati State Technical & Community College	Wilmington College
College of Mount St. Joseph	Xavier University
Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion	

## **University Libraries**

### **McDonald Memorial Library**

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The McDonald Memorial Library provides collections and services to support the university's curricula. The collection numbers more than 350,000 volumes of books and journals, more than 645,000 pieces of microfiche, and approximately 1,550 journal subscriptions. The library has a collection of approximately 4,500 phonograph records, 2000 video cassettes, 500 audio cassettes, and a growing collection of music compact discs.

The library also offers a wide range of computerized resources, which includes a computerized catalog, journal indexes on CD-ROM, and several on-line research services, including the full text Academic Index ABI Inform services and Lexis/Nexis. Xavier students and staff may access many of these computerized services from outside the library, using microcomputers and modems in their homes, dorms or offices.

Xavier University libraries are active participants in OhioLINK, a statewide material exchange program with 58 colleges and universities throughout Ohio. Xavier University students and faculty can search the 60 million records of OhioLINK members and borrow materials on demand.

Xavier University is also a member of the Greater Cincinnati Library Consortium (GCLC), which entitles students and faculty to borrow materials directly from most area libraries. Materials which are not available locally may be obtained through the library's Interlibrary Loan Service, which provides access to materials from libraries throughout the world.

Reference librarians are available to assist library patrons with this broad range of resources and services. The library also promotes an active instructional program, in which librarians work with students and faculty to ensure that students develop research skills for independent learning.

### **Instructional Media Services**

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Instructional Media Services (IMS), located in B-9 Alter Hall, provides instructional media hardware and software for classroom use. IMS maintains an electronic presentation classroom in Alter B-11 as well as a previewing area in Alter B-9.

IMS staff will arrange for the rental of films and video cassettes for students and faculty to use in the classroom. IMS has access to the GCLC film library and can also rent films that are not available locally.

### **Lodge Learning Laboratory**

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Lodge learning laboratory is the curriculum resource center of the Xavier University libraries. In support of teacher preparation and instruction, the Lodge collection of approximately 10,000 items includes curriculum materials, a children's literature collection, multimedia instructional materials, computer hardware and software, and audio visual production equipment.

The staff at Lodge learning lab is available to assist students with use of the collection, producing instructional materials, and the operation of audiovisual equipment.

## **Center for Academic Computing**

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The Xavier University Center for Academic Computing (CAC) provides a wide range of services designed to meet a variety of users needs in the areas of instruction and research. Timesharing computing is available through the VAX mainframe. Access to the VAX is available from resident workstations through a modem, and from all computing lab workstations through the campus network. Applications software on the network includes WordPerfect, Word, EXCEL, PowerPoint, and a variety of subject-specific software used in classroom instruction.

General computing labs are located on campus in Alter Hall, the CBA building, Elet Hall, the Cohen Center, and a 24-hour lab in the Downunder area of the University Center. A smaller computer study room is located in the McDonald Library. Networked workstations are PCs and Macs, with laser printing available in all labs.

Worldwide links, through the Internet, connect users at Xavier with users at millions of remote computers. Internet tools are Telnet, FTP/Archie, Usenet, Listservs, and Gopher/Veronica. Xavier University has a site on the World Wide Web (<http://www.xu.edu>).

CAC maintains an extensive user education program by routinely offering mini-courses on selected topics of computing interest, promoting and supporting the formation of focused user groups on campus, and maintaining a library of self-teaching tutorials on the file server accessible from all networked workstations.

CAC also helps faculty with their computing projects and promotes the integration of multimedia into the curriculum, through the facilities of the Faculty Resource Center for Instructional Technology (FIT) located in Alter Hall, and through joint efforts with other University departments in the strategic planning of technology-based learning spaces on campus.

### **Xavier University Art Gallery**

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Xavier University art gallery is a curricular laboratory of the department of art. The gallery provides exhibition opportunities for professional visual artists, the art department's students and other occasional visual programs deemed to be of interest. Exhibitions follow the University academic calendar of fall and spring semesters.

### **Study Abroad Programs**

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Xavier University encourages students to include a semester or a year of study abroad as part of their program of study. To this end, the director for study abroad assists students in planning for such studies and maintains a resource center of information on educational opportunities throughout the world. Normally, with careful planning, the credits obtained while studying abroad apply to the student's Xavier program of study and do not lengthen the time required to complete it.

Xavier participates in numerous programs abroad, usually through joint arrangements with other universities, particularly with other Jesuit universities. Xavier University has a direct student exchange agreement with Sophia University in Tokyo, Sogang University in Seoul, Universidad Javeriana in Bogota, all Jesuit universities, as well as the Katholische Universitat Eichstatt in Germany, and the Universidad de Valencia, in Spain. Through a long-standing endowed scholarship fund, Xavier University awards several Fredin Memorial Scholarships each year, which allow recipients to study for up to one calendar year at the University of Paris (Sorbonne).

In addition to the academic year programs, Xavier usually sponsors summer study programs in Austria, France, Mexico, Spain, Italy and the Netherlands. For detailed information, contact the director for study abroad. All study abroad must be approved in advance by the student's dean.

### **Intercollegiate Athletics**

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Xavier University is a Division I member of the NCAA and a member of the Atlantic 10 Conference. The program of intercollegiate athletics for men includes basketball, golf, cross country, baseball, tennis, soccer, swimming and rifle (coed team). Women compete in intercollegiate basketball, tennis, swimming, cross country, golf, soccer, volleyball and rifle (coed team).

Participants in intercollegiate athletics, as in other co-curricular activities, must be full-time students in good standing. They must have entered the University in accordance with the admission standards published in the catalog and are subject to regular scholastic standards as well as those of the NCAA. To directly involve the president in the academic, social, spiritual, and physical development of Xavier's student athletes, this unit reports to the administrative vice president in the office of the president.

### **WVXU-FM**

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From its beginning in 1970 as a 10-watt station in a basement classroom at Xavier University, WVXU-FM and its seven-station X-Star Radio Network (the largest privately owned public radio network in the country) offer diverse programming to audiences in Ohio, Indiana and Michigan. Approximately 130,000 people tune in weekly to the network's innovative programming including news and business reports, radio dramas, and a variety of music formats. The X-Star Radio Network is affiliated with NPR, PRI, CNN and AP.

Recipients of numerous regional, national and international awards, WVXU-FM was the only individual radio station (commercial or public) to receive broadcasting's most prestigious honor, the George Foster Peabody Award, in 1995.

### **Xavier Consulting Group**

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The Xavier Consulting Group, using consultants from faculty and the private sector, provides management and professional business training and consulting to business, non-profit and public sector organizations headquartered within the Greater Cincinnati/Tri-State area. It is the regional source for Continuing Education and Continuing Medical Education.

#### **STAFF**

Director: Phil Jones; Marketing/Sales Manager: Dryden Jones; Senior Program Manager: Sue Bensman; Program Manager: Julie Tepe; Administrative Assistant/Office Manager: Judy Massa.

### **Accreditation**

The University is accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Institutions of Higher Education. The Commission may be contacted at 30 N. LaSalle Street, Suite 2400, Chicago, Illinois 60602-2504, 1-800-621-7440. Xavier University is also accredited by the Ohio Board of Regents as a degree-granting institution, and is approved by the Department of Education of the State of Ohio for teacher certification. It is also approved by the American Chemical Society (ACS) for its training in chemistry, approved by the Ohio Board of Nursing for its nursing programs, and accredited by the National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission (NLNAC) for its M.S.N. and B.S.N. programs. The B.S.N. program also has preliminary approval from the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE). Xavier is accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE) for its baccalaureate social work program, and by the Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology (JRCERT) for its radiologic technology program. Xavier's occupational therapy programs (bachelor of science degree and post-baccalaureate certificate program) are accredited by the Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education of the American Occupational Therapy Association (AOTA). The Montessori program is affiliated with the American Montessori Society (AMS) and is accredited by the Montessori Accreditation Council for Teacher Education (MACTE). The graduate program in health services administration is accredited by the Accrediting Commission on Education for Health Services Administration. The College of Business Administration is accredited by the American Assembly of Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB).

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## **Institutional Memberships**

The University maintains memberships in these educational and learned organizations:

Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences; Academy of Political Science; American Academy of Political and Social Science; American Academy of Religion; American Art Therapy Association; American Assembly of Collegiate Schools of Business; American Association for Higher Education; American Association for State and Local History; American Association of Colleges of Nursing; American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers; American Association of School Administrators; American Association of University Professors; American Catholic Philosophical Association; American Classical League; American College Personnel Administrators; American Correctional Association; American Council on Consumer Interests; American Council on Education; American Council on Teaching of Foreign Languages; American Film Institute; American Historical Association; American Library Association; American Management Association; American Mathematical Society; American Montessori Society; American Occupational Therapy Association; American Political Science Association; American Production and Inventory Control Society; American Society for Training and Development; Association for Communication Administration; Association for Computer Machinery; Association for Continuing Higher Education; Association for Quality and Productivity; Association for Women in Mathematics; Association of Catholic Colleges & Universities; Association of College Unions—International; Association of Departments of English; Association of Governing Boards of Universities & Colleges; Association of Independent Colleges and Universities of Ohio; Association of Jesuit Colleges and Universities; Association of Professors and Researchers in Religious Education; Association of University Programs in Health Administration; Broadcast Education Association; Canadian Historical Association; Canadian Sociology and Anthropology Association; Catholic Theological Society of America; Center for the Study of Democratic Institutions; Central Association of College & University Business Officers; Central States Conference on Teaching of Foreign Languages; College and University Personnel Association; The College Board; College English Association of Ohio; College Theology Society; Conference on Partnership in Jesuit Higher Education; Consortium on Peace Research Education and Development; Council for Advancement and Support of Education; Council of Colleges of Arts and Sciences; Council on Undergraduate Research; Economic History Association; Greater Cincinnati Chamber of Commerce; Greater Cincinnati Consortium of Colleges and Universities; Greater Cincinnati Convention & Visitors Bureau; Greater Cincinnati Library Consortium; Handweavers Guild of America; Hastings Center; Hebrew Union College & Jewish Institute of Religion; Institute of International Education; International Business School Computer User's Group; International Reading Association; Jesuit Conference of Nursing Programs; Lilly Fellows Program in Humanities and the Arts; Linguistic Society of America; Mathematical Association of America; Metaphysical Society of America; Midwest Alliance In Nursing; Midwest Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators; Midwest Modern Language Association; Midwestern Association of Graduate Schools; Midwestern Collegiate Conference; Modern Language Association; National Academic Advising Association; National Art Education Association; National Association for Ethnic Studies; National Association of College Admission Counseling; National Association of College and University Business Officers; National Association of Elementary School Principals; National Association of Foreign Student Advisors; National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities; National Association of Secondary School Principals; National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators; National Association of Student Personnel Administrators; National Catholic Educational Association; National Collegiate Athletic Association; National Committee on Planned Giving; National Council for the Social Studies; National Council of Schools of Professional Psychology; National League for Nursing; National Organization on Legal Problems of Education; National School Board Association; National Wildlife Federation; National Women's Studies Association; North American Academy of Liturgy; North American Association of Summer Schools; North American Association of Summer Sessions; North Central Association of Colleges & Schools; North Central Association of Summer Schools; Ohio Academy of Sciences; Ohio Assembly of Deans & Directors of Baccalaureate and Higher Degree Programs; Ohio Association of College Admission Counseling; Ohio Association of Colleges for Teacher Education; Ohio Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers; Ohio Association of Private Colleges for Teacher Education; Ohio Association of

Student Financial Aid Administrators; Ohio Biological Survey; Ohio Campus Compact; Ohio College Association; Ohio Foreign Language Association; Royal Historical Society; Society for College and University Planning; Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy; Society for the Study of the Multi-Ethnic Literature of the U.S.; Society of Biblical Literature; Society for College & University Planning; Society of Christian Ethics; Speech Communication Association - Ohio; Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages; The Tuition Exchange; World Trade Association.

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## Honor Societies and Professional Fraternities

*Alpha Sigma Nu* A chapter of this national honor fraternity for students of Jesuit colleges and universities was established at Xavier in 1939. Candidates for membership, chosen during their junior or senior year or from the graduate programs, must be outstanding in scholarship, in loyalty, and in service to the university.

*Beta Gamma Sigma* A National Honor Fraternity for AACSB accredited business programs. The Xavier chapter was founded in 1995. Membership is limited to those students in the top 7 percent of the junior class, top 10 percent of senior class and top 20 percent of graduating master's students.

*Delta Sigma Pi* The Theta Lambda Chapter of the International Fraternity of Delta Sigma Pi, a professional business fraternity, promotes academic achievement, leadership, and a closer affiliation between the business world and business students.

*Eta Sigma Phi* is an honorary society for students of the classics, established to develop and promote interest in classical studies and to foster closer relationships among students with this common interest. The Zeta Chi chapter was established at Xavier in 1995.

*Kappa Psi* Organized on campus in 1968, Kappa Psi is a national band honorary fraternity that recognizes academic achievement and service.

*Mortar Board* The D'Artagnan Chapter of Mortar Board was installed at Xavier in the spring of 1994. Mortar Board, founded in 1918 as the first national honor society for senior college women, is now a coeducational senior honor society which promotes equal opportunities among all people and emphasizes the advancement of the status of women. Members are chosen in recognition of their leadership, scholarship, and service.

*National Society of Pershing Rifles* The purpose of Pershing Rifles is to develop outstanding traits of leadership, military bearing, and discipline within the framework of a military oriented, honorary fraternity. Members are selected annually by representatives of the existing membership. Criteria for membership selection is leadership potential and academic grades. Elected members are awarded a purple fourragere to be worn with the uniform.

*Omicron Delta Epsilon* ODE is the international honors society in economics, with 535 chapters. The Xavier University chapter was founded in 1970. Among the objectives of ODE are recognition of scholastic attainment, the honoring of outstanding achievements in economics, and the establishment of closer ties between students and faculty in economics within the college and with other universities.

*Phi Alpha Theta* Kappa Nu Chapter of the international honor society of history is open to history students (whether majors or not) who have distinguished themselves academically.

*Pi Delta Phi* Iota Omicron is Xavier University's chapter of the National French Honor Society.

*Pi Mu Epsilon* The Ohio Theta Chapter of Pi Mu Epsilon, the national honorary mathematics society, was established at Xavier University in 1962. The purpose of this organization is the promotion of scholarly activity in mathematics among students majoring in mathematics or related subjects who have achieved distinction in scholarship and have done outstanding work in mathematics.

*Pi Theta Epsilon* This national occupational therapy honor society recognizes scholastic excellence and provides a vehicle for professional students to exchange information, collaborate on scholarly activity, and contribute to the field of occupational therapy. Occupational therapy students are encouraged to apply for membership, with final selection determined by faculty and current Pi Theta Epsilon members. Membership is based on demonstrated leadership, service, professional association affiliation, scholarly activities, and academic excellence.

*Psi Chi* This national honorary fraternity was founded in 1929 for the purpose of encouraging, stimulating, and maintaining scholarship in, and advancing the science of, psychology. Membership is open to graduates and undergraduates who are making the study of psychology one of their major interests and who have achieved academic distinction at Xavier University.

*Sigma Delta Pi* Rho Upsilon is Xavier University's chapter of the National Spanish Honor Society.

*Sigma Pi Sigma* The Xavier University chapter of Sigma Pi Sigma, national physics honor society, honors students having high scholarship and promise of achievement in physics, promotes their interest in research, encourages professional spirit and friendship among physics students, and popularizes interest in physics.

*Sigma Theta Tau International* Omicron Omicron At-Large is the international honor society of nursing that recognizes superior achievement and the development of leadership qualities, fosters high professional standards; encourages creative work, and strengthens commitment to the ideals and purposes of the nursing profession. Qualified students and community leaders with a major in nursing are invited to join.

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