

## CHANGING OF XAVIER'S HEALTH SERVICES ADMINISTRATION GUARD



**Sister Dr. Nancy Linenkugel '80M** who has served as HSA Department Chairperson and MHSA Program Director since summer 2011, will retire from Xavier University effective May 20, 2020 in order to relocate to her motherhouse, the Sisters of St. Francis of Sylvania, Ohio.

"The past nine years at Xavier have been incredibly rich in working with our students, faculty, staff, XUGPHSA alumni, and everyone at Xavier, including getting BSHSA and MS-HECOR underway. Thank you all for this opportunity to serve my alma mater, which has been a wonderful call—but now it's time to answer another call for ministry at home in Sylvania."

During her time at Xavier, due to efforts by faculty and staff, MHSA earned maximum re-accreditation from CAHME (Commission on the Accreditation of Health Management Education), earned inaugural national CAHME awards for healthcare management education (2016), for healthcare sustainability education (2017), and for the best empirical research article by faculty (2019), and is ranked #1 in Ohio and #2 in the country. In 2014-2015 Sr. Nancy served as interim dean for the-then College of Social Sciences, Health, and Education (now College of Professional Sciences).



**Dr. Rick Browne**, current BSHSA Program Director since 2012, will take over duties as HSA Department Chair and MHSA Program Director effective June 1, 2020.

From the HSA Department who selected him: Rick is the perfect person to take on this position. He's well-versed in the three programs within the HSA department—

1) he knows the BSHSA program inside and out, and is guiding it to certification by AUPHA in summer 2020 (Association of University Programs in Health Administration); 2) he has a solid understanding of the MS-HECOR program (Health Economics and Clinical Outcomes Research); and 3) he's been involved with the MHSA program, he's been faculty advisor to residents, and teaches the HESA 583 "Ethical Issues in Healthcare" course. He also has administrative experience.

Rick is a tenured Associate Professor at Xavier and his next step is full professor. He attends XUGPHSA alumni events and knows many of our program alumni, including attending the annual ACHE Congress on Administration in Chicago along with our students and faculty. Rick is a clinical psychologist with a PhD from Indiana University. A search is underway to replace him as BSHSA Program Director.

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