

## AFMIX Capstone Reflection

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The last two years have been a real journey for me. Having worked at Xavier for the last 17 years, I felt I knew what it meant to be part of the Xavier Community and the Jesuit mission. I was right and I was wrong. Not only did I learn about the history of the Jesuits, allowing me to better understand what we do at Xavier, but I was able to find out some spiritual things about myself. Looking forward, I hope to utilize what I have learned in my day to day interactions with the Xavier Community and the Community at Large. As a police officer, I have the opportunity to engage people at multiple levels and in multiple situations that others may not have. I meet with students, staff, faculty and the general population on a daily basis. This allows me a great opportunity to pass on the Xavier Mission.

One specific way I plan on doing this is as a supervisor for the police department. I plan on meeting with the officers that work my shift and developing a plan on how to work the Jesuit Values and Philosophy into our daily work. I plan to work on developing all the gifts of our Ignatian Heritage with my staff, specifically the gifts of discernment and solidarity and kinship. The decisions that we make as police officers have a great effect on people and their lives. There is a great opportunity to make a difference and pass along these gifts to others. As part of working with the officers in our department, there is an opportunity to pass along the Xavier Mission to others outside Xavier. As I work with the staff here, when they leave, my hopes are they take something from Xavier with them. Another opportunity that I have is as I interact with students, both in a positive and negative way, I can help guide them in making decisions and determining what course of actions they may take.

