The Marianist Tradition in Choosing a Vocation

The Honors Program is proud to welcome a new group of scholars into its community. The Chaminade Scholars program is a path of scholarship and ministry that has been a profound and meaningful force in the lives of its members since its inception ten years ago. A unique focus on discovering vocation through education has set the program apart and played an influential role in many students’ lives, both during their time at the University and for many years after.

The program began in 2001 after a grant of two million dollars was made to the University of Dayton by the Lilly Endowment, Inc., for use over five years in order to create an avenue by which students can discover their specific vocation. The University saw the need for such a program due to the realization that many very talented students tend to skip over the arts and humanities, especially theology and philosophy.

In its focus on vocation, the Chaminade Scholars program also stresses the importance of all types of vocations, not only the call to ordained ministry. The program recognizes that God calls people to work in all avenues of life and that His work can be done in any profession. The emphasis is to lead students to the path that God has set aside for them, whatever it may be. In this way, the program endeavors to “strengthen [students’] theological and personal understanding of the meaning and value of living in a way that is consistent with the Christian faith,” as stated in the mission statement of the program, so that they will take leadership roles in church and work in ministry, even if they do not make it their profession. Many students, like Roeder, have nonetheless been influenced by the program to take religious studies minors because of their involvement in the Chaminade Scholars, while others, like sophomore Nick Fry, have found the program to be a valuable addition to their existing religious studies courses.

The Chaminade Scholars program is a valuable and unique program that has had a lasting effect on the lives of its students over the past ten years. Its emphasis on incorporating vocation and education is a special mission that fits perfectly with the Marianist values on which the University of Dayton was founded. The Honors Program is excited and proud to welcome such a special and unique group of scholars.

Article written by Katherine Bruns, Class of 2014

Saying Farewell and Welcome

The Chaminade Scholars 2012 end-of-year event celebrated both the graduating Chaminade Scholars and its newest members. Dr. David Darrow, director of the UHP, said a heartfelt thank you and good byes to the departing graduates and to those who have completed the Chaminade Scholar Program this year:

Gretchen Berkemeier
Chelsea Bosch
Christopher Bruckman
Peter Deak
Christopher Denzinger
Carole Di Caprio
Katherine Earl
Amanda Jones
Stephanie Pugar
Shay Roeder
Andrew Shaffer
Adam Sitz
Samantha Traufl
David Weikert
Victoria Wilson

One of the highlights of the event was the welcoming of the incoming class of Scholars.

A Letter from a Chaminade Scholar Graduate

The Chaminade Scholars is an academic program that is dedicated to helping students foster an understanding of vocation as well as providing resources and tools to help students explore their vocation. Simply put, we explore what we are called to be. The Chaminade Scholars are now an integral part of the Honors Program, a program that shares a common mission of scholarship and academic excellence. The Honors Program is helping us to meaning and grow as an environment that is very similar to one we enjoyed during the有问题 of the Program for Christian Leadership. We will be carrying out that task for our understanding of vocation, what we are called to be, and growing as a community. There are four classes, each cohort of four students. Each cohort takes a reasonable course together each year, and participates, in retreats and events that are not just to let us create relationships within our specific group but help the program in general.

The 14 other scholars that have met my glass are one to see this past classmate or friends. They truly have become my family. Through our involvement in events, we have developed strong bonds in this group.

Dr. Darrow also welcomed the incoming cohort of scholars:

Jacob Boone
Cassandra Broders
Lori Claricoates
Megan Flaherty
Andreas Lamantia
Nathanial Lundy
Ann Michaluk
Kathryn Ohlman
Joseph Oliver
Sarah Petrucci
Shawn Phillips
Diana Santiano
Nathan Silverstein
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Dear Alumni and Friends of the Honors Program,

This newsletter celebrates the Honors Program’s connection to the Catholic and Marianist traditions that are at the foundation of our University, and the possibilities that an Honors education creates for exploring the connections between faith and reason and growing one’s faith. To this end, we are featuring the Chaminade Scholars Program, as well as several of you who have gone on to dedicate your lives and apply your educations in service to the Church. To those who shared their stories for this issue, and to those with similar stories out there, we offer our heartfelt thanks!

We also take time in this newsletter to celebrate the gift of our Program’s founder, Dr. Patrick F. Palmero. Dr. Palmero is retiring as Distinguished Professor Emeritus after 41 years at the University of Dayton. Please join me in thanking him for his creativity and perseverance in the Program’s founding days, his sage advice, and for his belief in the power of students and faculty to do amazing things that make this world a better place.

Best wishes,

David W. Darrow, Ph.D.
Director
Abigail Lawson
Class of 2011

Abby Lawson is currently an intern with the Marianists International Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) at the United Nations in New York City. She works with Brother Steve O’Neil, a Marianist brother at the NGO, in various working groups concerned with poverty, social development, human trafficking and women’s and gender issues. A working group is a group of NGOs that organizes around certain issues to advocate at the UN. Specifically, Abby is involved with the Working Group on Girls, and the NGO Committee on the Commission of Women. These groups reflect Abby’s interest in women’s issues and with the rights of the girl-child around the world.

“Social justice is one of my favorite things—looking at the needs of the world of today and responding to them is important.”

Lawson says that she is currently working on an awareness video for Human Trafficking that educates youth about the issue and empowers them to come up with creative ways to address these issues.

Lawson became a Lay Marianist at the end of her senior year at the University of Dayton. She traveled to the Netherlands where the court is located and spent two weeks researching. She learned practical communication skills, how international organizations work, and how to think about theoretical issues practically. Her fondest memories at UD include the life-changing relationships she had with the Marianists and classmates alike that were positive, challenging, and supportive.

Lawson says currently involves her in direct outreach to the poor: the Moscow Food Bank, which serves between 400 and 800 individuals a month, gives out food to the needy with the only requirement being residency in the county; and the local conference of the St. Vincent de Paul Society, which does volunteer case management and direct assistance for the economically and socially vulnerable.

The main goal of outreach is to bring hope to those in need, the priest said. “My vision of the future is formed through the tradition of Catholic social teaching. I think the only future worth having is one that values peace and nonviolence, and that places primary value of the dignity and sanctity of human life and in which we concern ourselves with trying to incarnate justice and to value the common good.”

Father Brian May
Class of 2006

UD education was a strong influence in this Catholic priest’s work in social justice. In 2003, Father May was heavily involved in the anti-war protests leading up to the Iraq invasion, did summer volunteer work in a poor parish in Peru, and studied Spanish in Bolivia. 2004 saw him participating in a Rome Scholars’ trip to the Mexican border over the spring break, and completing a semester of service as a translator for East End Community Services in the summer along with providing assistance to a Hispanic women’s health program.

2005 presented another slice of activism, including another trip to Naurath Farm in West Virginia to provide support for the March for Life demonstration in Washington, D.C., and a summer immersion experience spent in Cameroon. May also served as president of the UD Amnesty International chapter for five semesters, Students for Life club for two, and worked with the UD Center for Social Concerns in leading the planning team for Disabilities Awareness Week, as well as promoting volunteer opportunities for UD students in the Dayton area.

May cited his engagement in social justice issues during his UD education as a big influence on his thinking, preaching and pastoral priorities. He also credited professors such as Drs. Peggy DeAngelis and Kelly Johnson with shaping his strong interest and graduate research in social ethics, and former UD professor Maureen Tilley, who influenced him with a life-long love of history.

“Tilley inspired me greatly to not only receive a superb education, but also to discern my call to serve the church as a priest,” May said. After his graduation from UD in December 2005 with a bachelor’s degree in philosophy and religious studies, he continued graduate and doctoral studies at the Katholieke Universiteit Leuven (Catholic University of Leuven) in Belgium. Ordained a Roman Catholic priest on June 10, 2010, at St. John’s Cathedral in Boise, Idaho, he is currently assigned as a parochial vicar to St. Mary’s Parish in Moscow, Idaho.

The parish has two main ministries that involve direct outreach to the poor: the Parish Outreach Program, which helps the poor with a variety of services; and Family Program, which helps families in the parish with practical needs.

Brother Thomas Wendorf
Class of 1986

Brother Tom Wendorf is still learning what it means to live the Marianist charism. He taught in the University of Dayton’s English Department from 1999 to 2019, and he is now Vocation Director for the Marianist Province of the United States in St. Louis, Missouri.

Wendorf coordinates vocation ministry and accompanies people considering religious life with the Marianists. One of his main duties is to educate young Catholics about what it means to be a Marianist brother. “Marinists live and work especially with young people in schools, parishes, retreat centers, and wherever they live and work.”

As a vocation minister, Wendorf feels privileged talking to people about very significant aspects of their lives, often very quickly: “It’s an honor to make the journey of faith with people, to help them find their calling and grow in their relationship with God.”

The Honors Program, Wendorf says, provided his first experience of community at UD, diverse and animated and enduring over four years. He later joined the UD Sodality, a faith community of Marianist brothers, sisters, priests and students, who nurtured his vocation as a Marianist brother. “That experience showed me what Marianist community is and can be. I’m still discovering the mystery of her influence.”

Kristina DeMichele, Class of 2013

Classnotes are featured in every January issue so send us your news!
Dr. Patrick F. Palermo, founder of the University Honors Program, retired this spring after 41 years of invaluable contributions to the University of Dayton and the Dayton community.

The Historian’s History
Palermo received his bachelor’s degree in History at Fordham University in 1966, graduating as a member of Phi Beta Kappa. He then went on to get his doctorate in History at Fordham University in 1966, graduating as a member of Phi Beta Kappa. Then he went on to get his doctorate in History at Fordham University in 1966, graduating as a member of Phi Beta Kappa.

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The Program Begins
The Honors Program started with no money, 30 students, and was headquartered out of a little office in Miriam Hall with very few resources. The Foundation of the Program was a series of seminars that were academically rigorous and integrated across disciplines. These seminars were founded upon the liberal education philosophy, with English, history, philosophy, social science, and systems design seminars required of every Honors student. “In the Honors Program students are servant-leaders and we encourage them to consider further research,” Palermo says. “News of the Honors Program spread rapidly to prospective students and with the support of admissions we were able to successfully recruit almost every eligible student.”

In its early years the Honors Program struggled to establish itself on campus. Thankfully, the Program raised endowments to overcome that challenge and funded scholarships and academic events. Palermo said that one of the greatest challenges was that “we did not have a great tradition of sending students to graduate school, so we had to change the culture here.” The Honors Program initiated the Honors thesis “to encourage students to go to graduate school and put something distinctive on their resumes.” During Palermo’s tenure as director, every Honors student who applied to graduate school received a fellowship.

In 1989 Palermo became the Associate Provost for Undergraduate Education and in 1996 he was named the Associate Provost for Faculty and Academic Affairs. During this time the Honors Program still reported to him. In 2004 he left administration and returned to a faculty position to serve as a full professor in the history department. At this time the University established the Dr. Patrick F. Palermo Honors Program Founders Fund to help support student thesis research. Honors Program alumni spearheaded the funding of this endowment through which thesis students may now receive fellowships for particularly strong projects that meet the goals of the endowment.

Dr. Palermo is happy that the Honors Program has expanded opportunities to participate and supported research so well. His favorite memory of the Honors Program is the students. “One class even called me ‘Uncle Pat,’ though I was demanding at times. I loved the familial aspect of the Program.”

The Future
In the last decade Palermo was active with many University committees and cultural boards in the community, but over the last few years he has slowly become less involved as he looked towards his retirement. In recognition of his service to UD, this year he was honored with the title “Distinguished Service Professor.”

Palermo does not have set plans for the future after retirement, rather he believes that “things are emergent. Jeanne and I are going to Europe for a month — to Paris, Venice, and Southern Tuscany. Then we are going to Cape Cod for three weeks. I don’t want to have any schedule for four to six months. I would love to do service for the community and maybe do some research and reading on some projects.”

Whatever Palermo decides, he will only add to his impressive legacy at the University of Dayton. The University Honors Program, the University of Dayton, and the Dayton community will be forever grateful for Dr. Pat Palermo and his pivotal contributions. We wish him the very best in his retirement.

Article written by
Kristina DeMichie, Class of 2013
Caitlin Cipolla-McCulloch
Class of 2012, truly embodies the Marianist spirit. She is not only this year's recipient of the Maurine O’Rourke Marianist Student Award, but she is also majoring in Otuzco, Peru, at the end of June to do pastoral ministry with the mountain people.

Cipolla-McCulloch will gain experience with her majors, biology and religious studies. She will live with a lay community and do biological water testing since Otuzco, Peru has issues with strip mines dumping chemicals in the water. She hopes to educate the people about their water through testing.

“This opportunity fell into my lap,” she said, as a Marianist brother on campus knew a friend in Peru affiliated with the lay community in Otuzco.

Her academic career has led her to discern the future.

“Studying theology since I arrived was very appealing for me and stretched me in ways. I never thought possible. When academics apply to your life, that is really exciting.”

Cipolla-McCulloch is also5 earning religious life as she was a part of the Ahava Lay Community last year. This year she has been living in community together.

“you and God.” Cipolla-McCulloch also lived in a sponsored community with Grupo SM, the third largest educational group in Latin America.

The News

Congratulations to the following rising seniors who were awarded research fellowships for the coming year:

- Daniel Arnold
- Steven Coyle
- Margaret Barranco
- Amanda Blankenship
- Kyle Budrewicz
- Grace Cahill
- Chen Yi Chen
- Karena DeMuth
- Kara DeJoy
- Allison Eid
- Coral Flanders
- Erica Gaffney
- Taylor Garrett
- Sarah Gender
- Caroline Gifford
- Jacqueline S. Greenway
- Chelsea Gross
- Ashley Hiner
- Robert Strong

Inaugural Berry Summer Thesis Institute

The Honors Program is pleased to introduce its first group of Berry Summer Thesis Institute scholars. These rising juniors will spend this summer working on research to begin shaping their thesis projects. Students were nominated by advisors and selected by the advisory committee for the Honors Program. They were also awarded their first-year fellowships for the 2012-13 academic year.

Megan Albright
Kaitlin Francis
Greg Marconi
Andrea McDermott
Mark Pimenta
Claire Shure

Vincent Spata
Amanda Ziemer
Alexandra Van Loan
Kelly Murphy
Molly Wilmance

It also allows students to attend the prestigious Engalitcheff Institute on Comparative Political Studies in Korea. The next group of Institute scholars will be selected this spring.

The Honors Program has consistently encouraged and supported students in academic accomplishment and undergraduate research. Through the Berry Summer Thesis Institute, they have the opportunity to develop research skills and methods, explore various aspects of academic inquiry, think critically, and develop the ability to communicate a complex subject effectively. Students also have the opportunity to develop the ability to communicate a complex subject effectively.

It has been an exciting year for all students and faculty involved in this program. The Honors Program continues to be an important part of the Berry community and a vital component of our academic mission.

The News

Emerald Kay and Megan Albro were elected as student representatives to the Student Government Association at University of Dayton.

Jovita Bierer, a University Honors Program alumnus and graduate of the University of Dayton, was named most outstanding player in the Atlantic 10 Conference Tournament. UD won the tournament on March 8. Bierer was also named a Lowe’s Scholar Class Award First Team All-American.

A Letter from a Berry Scholar Graduate

My time as the Berry Scholar Program was especially enriching; it was much more than just a title or a scholarship. At its core, the program was about a larger vision of service to others, of living a better life, and of learning from each other in a place that has a unique set of values.

A very memorable moment for me was engineering design, which was taught by my advisor, and Patti Diak, professor of mechanical engineering. I did develop a project with people of different majors. Being an engineer, I worked with a biology major, an environmental major, a math major, and a business major, and although we had different majors, we worked together as a team.

All of the Moral problems can be solved by people thinking one way or another. We need different perspectives, collaboration, and understanding to work together on this problem.

I am very grateful for the experiences I had at Berry College and the opportunities I have had since leaving. Berry College taught me a lot, not only about science or math, but how to connect with someone next to you in a common goal.

Not all Honors Program grants are made in a group. A long-term, yet largely individual experience was the Honors Thesis Project. But these grants provided an opportunity for me to pursue a research topic, to present my findings, and to submit my findings to a conference.

As a MSc in Chemical Engineering, I am very grateful that there are universities that offer these programs. I was able to get a taste of being a part of a research team in my undergraduate program.

The Berry Summer Thesis Institute will be a confluence of providing this opportunity to apply for students, to understand research, and to start exploring my future.

It was a very memorable moment for me. It was important to me to be a part of a research team, and it helped me refine my research.

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A Letter from an Honors Program Graduate

My name is Maggie Edison and I just graduated as a senior high school education and mathematics major with an Honors with Distinction diploma from the University Honors Program in May. I began my involvement with the Honors Program first semester of my freshman year as a member of the CORE program. I continued with CORE until my junior year when I was fully completed that course of study and graduated from the program in spring of 2011. Each and every class I took through CORE challenged me to think in ways I never had before and exposed me to new topics daily. CORE was an amazing part of my time in the Honors Program because it challenged me with rigorous academic classes while providing the opportunity to meet fellow Honors students from all disciplines, I met some of my best friends at UD and my roommate for the past four years through the CORE program.

After my freshman year I became a member of the Student Advisory Committee (SAC) and was a member of the committee for four semesters. SAC was my introduction to the Honors students, older and younger, while helping make decisions and voicing my opinions about certain topics within the Honors Program. I also learned about the Honors Student Union and became a small group leader through SAC. Being a member of SAC was I was always informed of what was going on in the Honors Program and truly felt like my opinions and the opinions of the other SAC members were heard and valued.

My second year I decided to write a thesis and began the forty-page process. The Honors Program class an amazing job of providing students with guidelines and a multitude of resources that made the process manageable. The hardest part of the thesis program in my opinion is the initial steps of finding an advisor and a topic that is both interesting and approvable as a thesis. My advisor, Dr. Lauren A. Munn, was very approachable and understanding. He helped me decide on a topic that was challenging but one that I could manage. After months of research and writing, I was finally ready to present my thesis. The Honors Program was very supportive throughout the process and I was very fortunate to have my advisor as a mentor.

I have been a part of the Honors Program and have found many opportunities that I would have never had had, and I am grateful and blessed for an amazing four years.

Maggie Edison
UO Teacher Education
Class of 2012

The Awards

NATALIE ADLER
Marketing Award for Excellence and French Language Award

George J. Remick, S.M. Award for Excellence in the School of Education

JUAN BROSCH
2012 Student Development Student Leadership Dedication and Commitment Award

 scholarship for Excellence in the Outstanding Student in Psychology Award

MILLSA EHRMAR
Entrepreneurship Award of Excellence

LINDY FONGE
2012 Student Development Student Leadership Faith and Conviction Award

KATHERINE KIEL
Rev. Raymond A. Roesch, S.M., Award of Excellence to the Outstanding Student in Biology Department

 webinar: “Kiss Off, Frenemy”

LESLIE KENDALI
Marianist Student of the Year Award; 2012 Student Development Student Leadership Neotraditional/ Community Student Award

MATTHEW MAHONIUS
APCRA Scholarship Recipient, Thomas R. Armstrong ’38 Award of Excellence for Outstanding Achievements

SAMURAI MALAMBY
Campus Ministry Senior Service Award

MELISSA MURRAY
Outstanding Senior in Human Rights Studies

DEAN MURRAY
Bro. Vincent Wottle Award for Contributions to Campus Ministry

ANDREI NEAL
2012 Student Development Student Leadership Emerging Leader Award

WEL MARSH
Bro. Vincent Wottle Award for Contributions to Campus Ministry

ANGELA MURPHY
Riley Award, given to the junior who best embodies the university’s values of education and service through campus involvement

MAUREEN SCHOFIELD
Distinguished Graduate Student

JORDAN TAYLOR
Indiana University, Thomas Fink Award for Outstanding Senior History Major

JORDAN TAYLOR
The Learn, Lead and Serve Award for the Biology Department

SAMANTHA TELLEFI
William Joseph Champlin Award for Excellence to the Outstanding Student in Theology

REBECCA YOUNG
Outstanding Senior in the Department of International Studies

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This year the Honors Students were chosen for paid internships at UD’s Roose Library. The participants shared their experiences, each having found their time well-spent and rewarding.

Eileen Klug, Class of 2014
Being the Honors reference and internship intern for the past one hundred hours has been an incredibly educational opportunity. It has helped me in my academic pursuits, encouraged me to develop new skills, and opened up some opportunities for my future employment.

I learned how to more effectively research using the library’s databases and catalogues. As a tutor, I helped my clients process and access new information from databases and tutorials that were introduced to me. Because of this job, I’ve attended Porch Reads and written short reviews for books through the library— things I may not have done otherwise.

Kathryn Utter, Class of 2014
I worked as a marketing and events intern for the library. Through this experience I managed some of their social media (such as Twitter and Google+) and I also served on the Marketing and Outreach Team for all of the libraries and gave updates on my work while getting to hear about the programming and marketing being done at the libraries.

All of these go beyond behind the scenes projects that Roesch truly cares about UD and wants to continue to make it a better place.

Awards:
- Cameron Brown: Marianist Student of the Year Award
- Morgan McCaughey: St. Vincent de Paulian Award
- Mark Culloch: St. Vincent de Paulian Award
- Dr. S. Deneau: St. Charles Award
- Candace Miller: St. Charles Award
- Matt Petrie: St. Charles Award
- Dr. C. McDaniel: St. Charles Award
- roll: St. Charles Award
- Marissa O’Connor: St. Vincent Award
- Caroline Thomas: St. Vincent Award

50 Honors students were awarded scholarships for their service and dedication to the open house in January.

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As our mentor, McCombe facilitated this while part- time faculty in his department and teaching the Honors Business Administration freshman seminar.

To fill this increasingly important role on campus, last year the Provost approved a newly created full-time staff position. After a national search the Honors Program is de- lighted to welcome Miss. Laura Cotten as the new Associate Director for Fellowship and Graduate School.

Cotten earned her undergraduate degree at James Madison University and her masters from William & Mary. She comes to the University of Dayton with a strong background in national fellowship advising and admissions at W. V. O. QSn College of Engineering in Massachusetts. Cotten began her tenure at UD May 1 and is already meeting with individ- uals and groups around campus to identify potential candidates for the various national fellowship awards. In addition, she will be available to assist students and faculty in crafting personal statements and strong letters of recommen- dation as we seek to better serve our most accomplished students throughout their under- graduate years and as they move on to gradu- ate programs. The University Honors Programs is excited to be offering the entire campus community the wealth of experience Laura Cotten brings to UD in this new position.
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22 Classes Begin

September
7 Ice Cream Social and Honors Open House
15 Hull Reports Due
TBD Seniors: Honors Diploma Workshop

October
TBD Juniors: Honors Diploma Workshop

November
TBD Juniors: Thesis Workshop
28 Honors Art Exhibit Entries Due

December
1 December Graduate Theses Due
10 Juniors: Thesis Intent Documents Due
14 Graduate Lunch
15 Graduation