In early September, we were informed by *U.S. News & World Report* that we were being recognized as the Most Diverse College in the Midwest. I must admit that keeping the honor a secret for a week while it was “embargoed” was extremely difficult!

This honor is an external recognition of what all those who work at or attend Donnelly College already know. Our College is wonderful and wonderfully diverse. Since its inception 68 years ago, Donnelly has been a model of inclusivity.

This accessibility is needed now more than ever. At a time when racial tensions are rising and both private and public colleges and universities are becoming more and more economically exclusive, the mission of Donnelly College is of vital importance.
This is why we continue to increase our programs and offerings at Donnelly College. Starting in January, we will enroll our first class of Registered Nurse - Associate of Nursing (RN-ADN) students. We have also entered into exciting new grant and scholarship partnerships with University of Missouri - Kansas City, University of Kansas, Kansas State University, Avila University, the Kauffman Foundation, KC Scholars, the Department of Defense and the Department of Education.

Perhaps the most exciting news is the approval of our new Campus Master Plan. By the time you read this, our renovation of Marian Hall will be complete and an additional 13,000 sq. ft. of academic and office space will have been added to our college. (Please join us for the rededication ceremony for Marian Hall on January 25, 2018 at 4 p.m.)

Donnelly College must succeed at our mission if we are to fulfill Pope Francis’s call to be joyful proponents of the gospel of life, especially for those at the margins in our society. More than 75% of our students are first generation college students and their average family income is less than $29,000 a year. Most students could not attend college if Donnelly was not here for them.

Our mission is vital at this moment of our nation’s history, but it is not possible without the generous support of our donors. This is a challenging time for us as we diligently work toward our upcoming Higher Learning Commission (HLC) accreditation visit. We know that the HLC will be looking to see how much the community supports our mission. They will examine our fiscal health and the viability to continue to heavily subsidize our students’ Christian formation and education at Donnelly. For nearly 70 years, we have faithfully served our mission, modeling a partnership between dedicated, hardworking faculty, staff and students and a generous community willing to help others to climb the ladder of success and sanctity that all of us hope to ascend.

Pax,

Monsignor Stuart Swetland
President
42% Associate Degree
17% Gateway to College
10% Correctional Facilities Program
14% Nursing
7% Bachelor’s Degree

523 degree- and certificate-seeking students

On average, Donnelly’s classes have 12 students

6% Two or more races
4% Other
17% White
4% Asian
36% Hispanic
33% Black

75 PERCENT

35% male 65% female

63% full-time
37% part-time

74% of birth are represented by Donnelly’s student body

36 COUNTRIES

59 total metro high schools represented by Donnelly’s student body

An additional 308 current high school students received credit through College Credit Now

51% Wyandotte County (KS)
20% Jackson County (MO)
14% Johnson County (KS)
9% Leavenworth County (KS)
6% Clay, Platte (MO) and Other Counties

WHO OUR STUDENTS ARE

WHERE OUR STUDENTS COME FROM

ABOUT DONNELLY

PRESIDENT’S REPORT [2016-2017]
WE ❤️ SCHOLARSHIPS

U.S. average Catholic College tuition and fees for a full-time student

$31,489

Donnelly $6,822

$51,296

Highest

$5,544

Lowest

Source: Association of Catholic Colleges and Universities

65% of students receive Pell Grant assistance totaling $914,102. Total Pell Grants distributed: $534,339.

61% of students receive scholarships & institutionally-based aid totaling $3,777 average award.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Impacts of giving:

$1,553,000 raised

21% Capital Projects

6% Endowment (General and Scholarship)

27% Scholarships

IMPACT OF GIVING

Sources of operating revenue:

45% Tuition and Fees

24% Private Gifts

16% Governmental Grants

10% Investment Income

5% Auxiliary Enterprises

SOURCES OF OPERATING REVENUE

Sources of gifts:

39% Foundations

32% Organizations

21% Alumni/Friends/Other

5% Government

3% Corporations

SOURCES OF GIFTS

DISTRIBUTION OF EXPENSES

22% Instruction

8% Financial Aid

61% Academic Support

9% Student Services

13% General Institution Support

3% Auxiliary Enterprises

7% Operation and Maintenance

2% Governmental Grants

10% Investment Income

5% Auxiliary Enterprises

38% General Institution Support

16% Governmental Grants

10% Investment Income

5% Auxiliary Enterprises

SOURCES OF OPERATING REVENUE