DUQUESNE UNIVERSITY
ACCOMPLISHMENTS
2013-2014
Each year, convocation provides our campus community with a unique opportunity for reflection. We look back on the year behind us, celebrating the many accomplishments of our faculty, staff and administrative units. We look forward to the year ahead, embracing a new academic year with a renewed focus on advancing the Duquesne mission to serve God by serving students.

We are proud to present a sampling of our accomplishments for the 2013-2014 year.
In the 2014 *U.S. News & World Report Best Colleges* ranking, Duquesne remained among the top schools—and the top Catholic institutions—in the nation. Ranked No. 45 as a Great School at a Great Price, Duquesne is one of six Catholic institutions in the top 50 considered as great values for students. Only schools in or near the top half of the *U.S. News* national rankings were even considered for this list.

Duquesne has been selected as one of the country’s best values in private colleges by *Kiplinger’s Personal Finance*. On the annual list of only 100 private universities and 100 liberal arts colleges, Duquesne is ranked No. 84.

Duquesne was again named a top college by *The Princeton Review*. In the 2015 edition of the annual *Best Colleges* book, Duquesne was selected as one of the country’s 379 outstanding institutions, as well as one of 255 outstanding colleges and universities in the Northeast.

Duquesne rose five spots in the annual *U.S. News & World Report* ranking of top schools, reaching No. 116, the highest spot in University history in this widely recognized ranking.

The 2013 Best Bang for the Buck rankings, a new ranking by *Washington Monthly* based on the economic value students receive per dollar, lists Duquesne at No. 68 out of 78 schools in the national universities category. Among Catholic schools ranked on this national list, Duquesne is included in the top five.

AffordableCollegesOnline.org recognized Duquesne as one of the top schools in Pennsylvania for the quality and affordability of its online programs.

This past year, Duquesne saw its highest six-year graduation rate. The two-point increase to 76 percent reflects a positive difference over the average 65 percent six-year graduation rates for private, nonprofit universities.

Standard & Poor’s Ratings Services affirmed its A- long-term rating on Duquesne University. The A- rating is supported by the University’s strong operating performance and conservative fiscal management.

Duquesne University has been ranked No. 4 among Best Value Private Law Schools according to *The National Jurist*, which publishes the rankings “to identify and recognize law schools that help students pass the bar exam and land jobs without burdening them with huge debt.”

The School of Pharmacy has been ranked No. 55 by *Pharmacy Technician Review* in its inaugural Top 75 Pharmacy Schools in the U.S. list. In addition, Duquesne ranked No. 10 in the organization’s Top 20 Pharmacy Schools of the East Coast and No. 10 in its Top 25 Private Pharmacy Schools in the U.S. lists.

The Mary Pappert School of Music has been listed among the Top 58 Creative Colleges in the United States and is profiled in the new edition of *Creative Colleges: A Guide for Student Actors, Artists, Dancers, Musicians and Writers*.


The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency named Duquesne University to its Top 30 College and University list of the largest green power users. Duquesne, which was ranked at No. 30, is using more than 18 million kilowatt-hours of green power annually, which is enough green power to meet 49 percent of the University’s electricity use.
The School of Nursing has been ranked No. 6 in the nation among the Best Online Graduate Nursing Programs by U.S. News & World Report. In addition, the University overall was ranked No. 93 of 210 schools ranked in the Best Online Bachelor’s Degree programs category.

The A.J. Palumbo School of Business has again been ranked among the nation’s best undergraduate business schools for 2014 in the annual Bloomberg Businessweek list. Duquesne, which received an A grade on its teaching that reflects a favorable 24:8 student-faculty ratio, is listed at No. 108.

The Biomedical Engineering program was named Most Innovative Biomedical Engineering Program by NerdScholar in 2014.

In its inaugural rankings of the Best Colleges for Veterans to help veterans pursue a college education under the Post-9/11 GI Bill, U.S. News & World Report has ranked Duquesne No. 24 in the nation.

U.S. News & World Report ranked McAnulty College’s graduate English, graduate psychology and clinical psychology programs among the top 200 social science and humanities programs nationwide.

Corporate Knights ranked Duquesne’s MBA Sustainability Program No. 1 in the United States and No. 8 worldwide. Among small schools, Duquesne’s program is No. 2 internationally.

The Donahue Graduate School of Business climbed from No. 181 to 125 in the 2015 U.S. News & World Report survey of 453 accredited master’s degree programs, placing the program among the top 10 highest ranked programs in all of Pennsylvania and among the top three in the Pittsburgh region.

The Center for Pharmacy Care was honored with an award for Outstanding Business Practice Model at the annual meeting of the American Pharmacists Association.

The School of Nursing was ranked No. 3 by U.S. News & World Report for graduate online nursing programs for veterans in 2014.

Through the work of the Rangos School, Duquesne became the first U.S. university to partner with a Chinese university—Shanghai University of Traditional Chinese Medicine—to enhance the practice of rehabilitation by training faculty and clinical preceptors in physical therapy and occupational therapy.

The School of Business Centennial History Book was recognized with a gold award in a print category by CUPRAP, the Association of Communicators in Education. The book also was recognized by the Pittsburgh chapter of the International Association of Business Communicators with an Award of Excellence.

The School of Education maintained its national accreditation from the American Psychological Association for its Ph.D. in School Psychology and from the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs for the Ph.D. and graduate programs in Counselor Education.

The School of Pharmacy ranks fourth highest among private schools of pharmacy in the nation for National Institutes of Health grant funding for research in drug discovery and neuropharmacology applications.

The School of Law leapt 23 spots to No. 121 in the U.S. News & World Report’s 2015 Best Graduate School Rankings.

The School of Nursing was ranked by NurseJournal.com as the No. 19 Social Media Friendly School of Nursing in the United States.

The Palumbo-Donahue School of Business has been named among the 2014 Top Universities for Professional Sales Education by the Sales Education Foundation.

U.S. News & World Report continued to rank the School of Education on its list of “Best Education Schools.” Data from more than 1,200 graduate schools of education were reviewed to determine the rankings.
After two years of self-study and preparation, the Law School hosted a successful ABA Reaccreditation Site Visit team.

The School of Pharmacy earned a six-year accreditation by the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists for its Saint Barnabas Post-Graduate Year One Residency.

The Office of Human Resource Management was presented with the prestigious Pittsburgh Human Resources Association’s 2014 People Do Matter Award for the University’s Minority Development Internship Program.


For the seventh consecutive year, the Law School’s legal research and writing program has been ranked as one of the best in the nation, according to U.S. News & World Report. The magazine’s most recent rankings issue places Duquesne’s program 12th among all law schools in the United States, ahead of more than 170 schools nationwide.
The Biomedical Engineering program received more than 120 applications for approximately 20 spots in the inaugural freshman class.

Starting in September 2013, Duquesne University, partnering with the Irish Spiritans, opened the gracious St. Michael’s House as a residence to Duquesne students while they attend University College Dublin, Ireland’s flagship university. The Duquesne in Dublin program completed a successful first year with 27 students taking advantage of this special opportunity.

For the first time in University history, the market value of Duquesne’s long-term investment portfolio surpassed $300 million.

The School of Law and McAnulty College launched a joint J.D./M.A. in Philosophy four-year degree program.

The Palumbo-Donahue School of Business launched a new certificate program in business management for non-business students. The new certificate covers all areas essential to modern management while giving students important skills in entrepreneurial thinking and professional selling.

The School of Pharmacy, the Rangos School and the School of Nursing have collaborated to design and implement didactic courses and experiences that will enhance the inter-professional educational experiences of Duquesne’s health professions students.

The School of Nursing together with the University’s new Biomedical Engineering program developed the nation’s first ever undergraduate dual-degree program in biomedical engineering and nursing.

The Law School dedicated the new Tribone Center for Clinical Legal Education, with Gov. Tom Corbett participating in the ribbon cutting. The center was made possible by more than $1 million in private and public funding.

The Enrollment Management Group and University Retention Committee collaborated with colleagues throughout the University to increase the fall 2013 to spring 2014 freshman retention rate to an all-time high of 97 percent.

The Office of Research hosted the University’s sixth annual Undergraduate Research and Scholarship Symposium with more than 140 student participants. In addition, the office hosted the first annual Graduate Student Research Symposium with more than 100 student participants.

The Pre-Medical and Health Professions Programs restructured and expanded its focus to provide comprehensive services, advisement and education for both undergraduate and graduate students to allow them to pursue their professional goals and aspirations as medical and health care professionals.

The University minimum wage was increased to $15 an hour for non-student employees.

The first year of the Center for Spiritan Studies’ Spiritan Scholar-in-Residence program came to a close in June with the public lecture by the first Spiritan Scholar. This program was inaugurated last year by the University and the Congregation of the Holy Spirit under the auspices of the Center for Spiritan Studies.
The McAnulty College Scholar-in-Residence program continued to expand. Since 2008, the College has hosted more than 25 domestic and foreign scholars. Five new scholars were appointed in 2013-2014.

In the fall of 2013, the School of Business Gateway to Business program was revamped to focus on providing freshmen with an experiential cornerstone that exposes them to hands-on projects and key issues facing businesses. The initiative introduces the principle values of the MBA Sustainability program to incoming freshmen, strengthening the integration of sustainability and ethics throughout the business curriculum.

In its 17th year of operation, the Summer Undergraduate Research Program (URP) in the Bayer School hosted 63 undergraduate scientists, the largest group in the program’s history, for a 10-week-long, full-time research experience during summer 2014.

The inaugural cohort of the School of Education’s Heinz Fellows Program graduated in December 2013. Each Heinz Fellow served as a mentor in Westinghouse High School, Pittsburgh Public Schools, for two years while completing a master’s degree program in Secondary Education. This collaborative effort was fully supported by The Heinz Endowments.

Students from the Department of Physician Assistant Studies evaluated 59,259 patients, logged 34,696 total patient contact hours, and participated in 2,416 surgeries and 35 childbirths.

The Center for Pharmacy Care’s Wellness in Motion Medication Therapy Management Program has grown to 186 enrolled patients in diabetes, chronic pain, GERD, asthma, hyperlipidemia and depression.

The School of Nursing increased enrollment from 703 students in 2013-2014 to 847 students in 2014-2015, an increase of 20.48 percent. Further, the school increased undergraduate enrollment of 80 students for 2014-2015, an increase of 36.87 percent.
Gumberg Library added 6,684 print book titles, including those purchased from the newly launched Dr. Albert C. Labriola Memorial Fund, and piloted patron-driven acquisitions for e-books.

A new retention fund was created in 2013-2014 to provide one-time scholarships to reduce student financial balances to the threshold that permits registration for the upcoming term. The University Retention Committee distributed the $50,000 to assist in retaining 29 students who were in jeopardy of leaving the University due to financial hardship.

The Office of Service-Learning initiated an external program review of community-engaged teaching and research activities at Duquesne. Over a two-day period, more than 100 faculty, students, administrators and community partners met with the external reviewers to discuss our strengths and challenges relative to community engagement.

Students enrolled in the Weber Learning Skills Center’s Strategies for Academic Success and Introduction to University Success experienced high performance and retention. During 2013-2014, students enrolled in the programs earned an average QPA of 3.36 and a 96 percent retention rate, and an average QPA of 3.43 and 97.4 percent retention respectively.

The School of Nursing developed a new, accelerated RN-BSN online program.

In conjunction with the Center for African Studies and the Office of International Programs, McAnulty College inaugurated a Maymester program in Ghana. The College also hosted new study abroad courses taught by Duquesne professors in Vienna, Krakow, Rome and Naples.

The Office of International Programs welcomed more than 800 international students in 2013-2014—a record international population, with notable increases in students from China and the Middle East. This is an 11 percent growth over the previous year. Duquesne’s strong ESL Program also grew to its historic highest enrollment of 198 students.

The Department of Occupational Therapy deepened its commitment to the University’s strategic goal of placing an emphasis on Africa and the African diaspora by strengthening research and educational collaborations with counterparts in East Africa, facilitating the delivery of books and medical equipment to Spiritan hospitals and dispensaries, creating an international service-learning course in collaboration with the African Studies program, and strengthening collaborations between African occupational therapy practitioners and DU OT faculty for practice scholarship.

The Center for Pharmacy Services provided more than 29,000 drug utilization reviews, more than 23,000 patient counseling sessions and more than 58,000 clinical pharmacy services.

The Department of Athletics established the Basketball Excellence Fund, an initiative that has generated more than $1 million to support the University’s basketball programs.

Duquesne Dining Services created more options for students with the grand opening of Freshens and the addition of patio dining at The Red Ring.

The CTS Help Desk became 100 percent HDI certified this year. HDI is the worldwide professional association and certification body for the technical service and support industry, and the certification recognizes the Help Desk team for its commitment to service excellence through the adoption of best practices and the acquisition of enhanced skills and knowledge.

The Office of Alumni Relations launched three new alumni volunteer-run chapters in Cleveland, Washington, D.C., and Charlotte. They join active chapters in New York City, Philadelphia and Chicago.
The Division of Mission and Identity expanded its annual Founders Week celebration to include many more events with students as the target audience. Lunches highlighting the commuter community and the Greek community on campus, as well as students sharing their experiences from their work at Spiritan missions abroad, were among them. The week also incorporated young alumni, including a wine tasting and a dinner featuring a young alumnus as keynote speaker. In total, more than 550 individuals attended events that week in addition to another 400 who participated in the kick-off Mass.

Residence Life successfully housed the largest freshman class in Duquesne’s history, providing for 1,473 freshman residents, for a total of 3,962 resident students. Despite the high level of occupancy, service quality was undiminished and retention numbers remained strong.

CTS, in collaboration with Public Affairs, launched Duquesne’s first mobile app, giving students, faculty and staff access to a variety of campus information including grades, registration, directory, maps and more.

The Office of Human Resource Management developed and implemented a new training program called HR 101. Managers and supervisors from across the campus participated in the inaugural program last fall.

The Beard Institute welcomed Alcoa’s chief information security officer to the institute’s Distinguished Ethics Speaker event. In its 25th year, the speaker series brings together students, faculty and invited guests from the regional business community to explore a variety of ethical and community issues.

Duquesne added formal agreements with the University of Heidelberg, University College Dublin and a consortium of Chinese universities, The China Scholarship Council.

Through the Office of Financial Aid, the University participated in the inaugural State Grant Distance Education Program. For the first time, students whose enrollment consisted of 50 percent or more online courses in a semester were eligible for Pennsylvania state grant funding. This netted an additional $79,257 to 36 students.

In 2013 the Center for Environmental Research and Education (CERE) presented Facing the Challenges: Research on Shale Gas Extraction Symposium. This two-day event brought some of the nation’s most prominent researchers together to discuss their research on the challenges of unconventional shale gas extraction. The event was attended by more than 300 people.

The Small Business Development Center (SBDC) presented the eighth annual Pennsylvania Business Technology Conference at Duquesne. The aim of the conference was to help businesses increase their profitability and competitiveness by equipping them with the information they need to make smart technology decisions.

Career Services coordinated 1,129 on-campus interviews conducted by 40 different companies for 124 internship and full-time positions in fields such as accounting, retail, management, marketing, pharmacy and information systems.

The Office of Residence Life participated in the Campus Police Active Shooter Training exercise, which was conducted in a living learning center this year in order to familiarize both the police and Residence Life staff with the relevant protocol and procedures in order to provide a safer environment for residents.

Spiritan Campus Ministry collaborated with Crossroads Christian Fellowship to plan events for the Week of Christian Unity on campus, including Taizé prayer in the Chapel of the Holy Spirit and an evening of open discussion on faith and denominations.

The School of Pharmacy expanded its service-learning opportunities as part of the school’s Introductory Pharmacy Practice Experience course with an emphasis on special populations, educational outreach and promotion of public health.
In July 2013, the Office of the University Registrar produced the first-ever online Graduate Catalog.

The School of Nursing reconfigured its Nurse-Managed Wellness Center to a Community-Based Health and Wellness Center for Older Adults to provide interdisciplinary education and care.

The Veteran Tuition Calculator, a collaboration between Graduate Admissions, the School of Leadership and Professional Advancement (SLPA), Institutional Research and Financial Aid, was selected for the 2013 University Teamwork Award.

The Department of Recreation saw a record high of 216,000 patron visits. In addition, 200 individuals participated in the SAFE self-defense program, and more than 3,000 students participated in intramural sports, including more than 1,000 freshmen—a 60 percent increase from 2012-2013.

Close collaboration between Gumberg Library and the ESL Program staff led to improved information literacy instruction for ESL students and non-native English speakers in academic courses.

The Office of Student Conduct coordinated a special training for members of the University’s Sexual Violence Board and Title IX Committee. It included a general program on victim psychology as well as a presentation about the physical evidence recovery procedure.

Prescription growth at the Center for Pharmacy Services grew 16 percent from 2013 to 2014.

Duquesne University faculty leaders developed and offered four new short-term study abroad courses in India, Costa Rica, Germany and Switzerland. These new courses and destinations were added to another 22 ongoing short-term programs offered to Duquesne students each year.
Tutoring requests through the Weber Learning Skills Center in 2013-2014 totaled 1,855. The subjects requested the most were science courses, with language arts and computer science courses coming in second and third, respectively.

A group of Canadians visited the Pittsburgh area as part of a business and economic development delegation and met with faculty and students in Duquesne’s MBA Sustainability Program. The Business School welcomed the opportunity to exchange ideas and strategies with international leaders.

In October 2013, the School of Law organized an event at the National Press Club in Washington, The Saturday Night Massacre: A 40-Year Retrospective. The event featured United States Supreme Court Justice Stephen Breyer and other distinguished panelists.

Health Service provided individual weekly nutrition counseling to 35 students. This is an increase from academic year 2010-2011 (seven students), 2011-2012 (20 students) and 2012-2013 (25 students).

During the fall semester, Commuter Affairs held lunches for each of the various schools at Duquesne. These events bring together new commuter students and some upperclassmen with members of the faculty. These lunches and the conversations that occur in them are incredibly beneficial to the students.

The Center for the Catholic Intellectual Tradition inaugurated the part-time faculty mission microgrant, a biannual grant competition to support mission-related curricular, research and professional development projects undertaken by part-time faculty. The grant program is made possible through the generosity of the Office of the Provost and the Division of Mission and Identity.

The School of Nursing established the Center for Research for Underserved and Vulnerable Populations.

The FAST program saw its largest numbers ever, with more than 2,200 people in attendance.

Jazz enthusiasts enjoyed the music of the Beatles, Stevie Wonder and the Great American Songbook in popular themed concerts presented by the School of Music.

The Forensic Science and Law program hosted the fourth annual Pennsylvania Forensic Science Student Research Exchange, an event for all of the state’s accredited forensic programs. More than 100 faculty, graduate and undergraduate students from across the state participated in the event, and 10 of Duquesne’s students gave oral or poster presentations.

The McAnulty College launched a webinar series featuring faculty and alumni who present on topics of their expertise and in areas of interest. The College presented four webinars in 2013-2014 and has plans for even more in the next academic year.
Starting in late 2013, the Palumbo-Donahue School of Business became a sponsor of BlueTree Allied Angels in Pittsburgh. In doing so, Duquesne students taking the school’s entrepreneurial finance course now attend BlueTree investment meetings, providing an inside look at how start-up companies secure angel investments to grow and expand their businesses.

The Center for Pharmacy Services launched a new medication synchronization program that aligns patients’ chronic medication refills so that they all fall on the same day of the refill cycle, improving patients’ ability to take their medications as prescribed.

The number of Honors College students from underrepresented groups increased 3 percent.

In its 13th year of operation at Duquesne University, the Cyril H. Wecht Institute of Forensic Science and Law took its first stride toward full entry into the distance learning arena by partnering with RTI International’s Forensic Technology Center of Excellence to disseminate its April Forensic Fridays seminar, Emerging Topics and Research in Sexual Assault Investigation, to nearly 100 online registrants representing multiple professional disciplines relating to forensic science and criminal justice.

The Bayer School hosted the Regional Perspectives to Integrate Exposure and Exposome Measurement with Effects on Human Health conference in 2013.

Career Services sponsored three on-campus job fairs and participated as a co-sponsor of two additional regional fairs. These fairs offered Duquesne students the opportunity to network with representatives from 406 organizations. In all, 1,250 Duquesne students and alumni participated.

The University’s annual Mass of the Holy Spirit was attended by more than 3,000 students, parents, faculty and staff. Presiding at the celebration were The Most Rev. David A. Zubik, D.D., bishop of Pittsburgh, and members of the Spiritan Congregation.

The School of Nursing implemented new school-wide requirements for learning technologies, including e-books and tablet computers.

Commuter Affairs continues to work with the South Side Community Council (SSCC). The department held its annual dinner for South Side students and representatives of the SCC in October and published several newsletters for these students that were sent both electronically and as hard copies.

Immunization services provided by the Center for Pharmacy Care have expanded with regard to travel health, serving 100 patients with this offering.

Spiritan Campus Ministry launched a vocation discernment group for students that included meetings focused on prayer and conversation about discernment, religious life, the priesthood and other topics.

Gumberg Library partnered with Career Services to offer Social Media: Managing Your Online Identity—sessions on preparing professionals for the workplace.

The Third Annual Tip-Off Tailgate event sponsored by the Center for Student Involvement, Athletics, SGA and many other student organizations prompted a record student attendance at this nationally televised conference basketball game in the Palumbo Center.
Freshman Development selected and trained 188 students to be Orientation team leaders this year.

The Department of Recreation provided services to 17,279 group fitness class participants—a 22 percent increase from 2012-2013.

The Centennial Celebration of the School of Business brought more than 400 alumni, members of the class of 2014 and guests to a sold-out event at the Omni William Penn Hotel on April 23. The event honored 100 years of the School’s innovation and achievement and the success of its graduates.

School of Education Community Forums provided an opportunity to highlight the work and practices of the region’s educational stakeholders around education and employment opportunities. More than 50 people attended each forum, including Pittsburgh mayor Bill Peduto.

The Honors College graduated 14 Honors Fellows and sent Endowed Fellows to Japan, Hungary and Tanzania.

Career Services staff members serve on regional advisory boards, executive boards and committees for local and regional associations, including the Pittsburgh Airport Area Chamber of Commerce, the Western Pennsylvania Career Services Association and the Pennsylvania Association of Colleges and Employers.

The Center for Pharmacy Care provided more than 800 flu shots, as well as other common immunizations and travelers’ immunizations.

Duquesne’s women's basketball team completed another 20-win season culminating in a sixth consecutive appearance in the WNIT post-season tournament.

The School of Law’s Continuing Legal Education program continued to thrive with the bulk of programs being filled to capacity.

Health Service monitored utilization of services through statistical analysis in Medicat Electronic Health Record system. The system shows 10,971 total recorded patient-care appointments, 3,110 documented call-ins from students seeking advice or to schedule, and 4,728 documented walk-ins from students seeking advice or to schedule.

Gumberg Library facilitated the implementation of EndNote citation management software for the campus and provided accompanying instructional resources.

The Pre-Medical and Health Professions Programs has expanded opportunities for collaborative education at both the master’s and undergraduate levels through the development of the combined PMHP Post-Baccalaureate Certificate program/M.S. in Biotechnology degree opportunity.

Through the Office of Research, and for the first time, two student researchers and their advisers were accepted to participate in the Pennsylvania Senate Undergraduate Research Under the Dome event.

The Palumbo-Donahue School of Business and its sports marketing program set a new record in welcoming more than 600 attendees from around the world to the 2014 conference of the North American Society for Sports Management (NASSM).

The School of Law participated in Future Lawyers Day by hosting approximately 60 minority high school students on campus.

As part of a campus-wide initiative to identify and steward alumni volunteers, the Office of Alumni Relations collected the names of nearly 400 alumni who volunteer across campus, and updated their records in the University’s alumni database.

The University’s volleyball and women’s cross country athletic teams both won A-10 Conference championships. The volleyball team made its first trip ever to the NCAA tournament.

The Bayer School hosted the Metals in Biological Systems Symposium to discuss the environmental effects of metal ions, especially in western Pennsylvania.
The Beard Institute hosted *Chasing Ice* photographer James Balog for a special screening of the documentary followed by live commentary from Balog. In addition, the Beard Institute’s Green to Gold award was presented to American Express during the event. The annual award recognizes an American company that demonstrates commercial success in sustainable business practices.

The School of Law hosted a program titled *The Violence Against Women Act and Its Impact on the U.S. Supreme Court and International Law*, which featured several top scholars from around the country with expertise on this topic.

The Simon Silverman Phenomenology Center successfully hosted its 32nd Annual Symposium on *Phenomenology and the African and Africana Worlds* in February 2014. The symposium offered phenomenological reflections on the challenges, possibilities and insights present in African and Diaspora thought.

Health Service administered allergy desensitization injections to a record number of students, totaling more than 300 visits. This is approximately a 33 percent increase from 2012-2013.

The Office of Greek Life encourages each Greek organization to host a workshop or program that complements the mission of its organization and the mission of the University. In 2013-2014, 15 of 17 Greek organizations facilitated a program or workshop on mission. In addition, the organizations worked with Campus Ministry to hold 29 collaborative programs and events reports.

The Tamburitzans increased campus awareness of the group through performances during Freshman Orientation, Homecoming and Night of Lights, as well as by hosting an awareness luncheon for contacts in Admissions, Financial Aid and Enrollment Management.

A weekly Mass for Peace was celebrated for the campus community, and this Mass will continue in the new academic year on Monday nights.

In the 2013-2014 academic year, the School of Law eliminated year-long courses, making all courses completed on a semester basis, thereby improving Banner functionality and assisting students with job searches by providing them with mid-year grades.

The Small Business Development Center (SBDC) teamed up with the Veterans Leadership Program of Western Pennsylvania to conduct a free veteran entrepreneurship workshop based on the SBDC’s successful First Step program. The workshop addressed various topics including evaluating idea feasibility, insurance, financing options, components of a business plan and more.

The Center for Pharmacy Care collaborated with Human Resources to continue the Know Your Numbers campaign. Serving 258 patients in 2013-2014, this preventative care program helps identify early risk factors for chronic illnesses.

The Carnegie Project on the Education Doctorate (CPED), a national consortium of 56 universities, maintained its headquarters in the School of Education. Notable accomplishments included completion of year three of a $700,000 Department of Education FIPSE grant and adding 37 institutions to the consortium.

Gumberg Library partnered with Residence Life to support undergraduate students with Research-to-Go, a new outreach service that has librarians provide research assistance in Towers, St. Ann Hall and the Student Union for mid-terms and finals.

The Bayer School presented its annual Darwin Day celebration with a lecture titled *Time Travel in Experimental Evolution*. 
Health Service hosted second-degree nursing students who fulfilled a course requirement for health education through the creation of detailed, topic-specific monthly bulletin boards displayed in the patient waiting area.

The Office of Student Conduct organized the Title IX and SâVE Act group composed of personnel from Pittsburgh institutions as well as Pittsburgh Action Against Rape staff. The group’s purpose is to coordinate training, clarify policies and share resources.

Commuter Affairs had 13 Commuter Assistants—upper-class commuters—assist new commuter students in becoming academically successful and active members of the Duquesne community.

A record number of students and advisers attended the Northeastern Greek Leadership Conference, which was hosted in Pittsburgh in February. Students attended many different conference sessions to help with programming needs for Duquesne. The conference closed with an awards banquet, and Duquesne Greek Life took home six awards, including the Chapter Development and Leadership Award, Honorable Mention.

In honor of the school’s 100-year anniversary, the Palumbo-Donahue School of Business held a Centennial Celebration in October. More than 300 students, faculty and staff were in attendance.
The international Center for Educational Leadership and Social Justice, one of only eight worldwide centers of the University Council for Educational Administration (UCEA), held its Seventh Annual Duquesne Educational Leadership Symposium (DELS) — Rivers of Justice, Bridges of Love — on Duquesne’s campus May 19-21.

The Enrollment Management Group and CTS collaborated to enhance the University’s Financial Aid Self-Service website and make it more user-friendly.

Through the Office of Financial Aid, $484,283 was awarded to 75 students through The Pittsburgh Promise program, $6,007,822 was awarded to 1,875 students through the Pennsylvania State Grant Program, and $5,196,965 was awarded to 1,336 students in the PELL Grant Program or to students with significant need as determined by the Free Application for Federal Student Aid. Additionally, the Stafford Loan default rates released in 2013-2014 were well below the national averages.

The Office of Residence Life continued to educate students on sustainability through its second annual Earth Week. Each day of the week had a theme, such as Turn it Off Tuesday, Conserving Water Wednesday, Transportation Thursday and Footprint Friday. Students signed special pledges to lead more sustainable lives. Additionally, funds were raised for the community group, Sustainable Pittsburgh.

Clinical services offered at the Center for Pharmacy Care have expanded to include incentivized smoking cessation, women’s health and anticoagulation management services for Duquesne employees and the public.
Gumberg Library collaborated with the Student Health Service Association to promote World Health Day and a Stress Less for Exam Success event during finals week.

While the Pre-Medical and Health Professions Programs placement rate in medical and other professional schools remains consistent with the national averages—about 67 percent—the program has established and implemented new admission and retention standards and tracking methods for both undergraduate and post-baccalaureate students to help assure that the students are more competitive than previous candidates.

The University’s football team were co-champions of the NEC Conference for the second time in three years.

Spiritan Campus Ministry produced another successful Fair Trade Week, which included a fair-trade fashion show attended by 100 students and a lunch-and-learn attended by 65 faculty and staff.

The Office of Student Conduct coordinated a New Faculty Match program. All incoming new faculty were assigned to a Student Life staff member. The staff member invited the new faculty to lunch or coffee and presented them with gift bags filled with Student Life memorabilia.

The Tamburitzans solicited enough donations to bring the balance for each of its newly created scholarships to $21,774 for the Musicians’ Scholarship and $26,822 for the Dancers’ Scholarship.

Gumberg Library obtained for the Duquesne community almost 15,000 items from other libraries via ILLiad and E-Z Borrow, of which 4,683 were articles obtained via Rapid ILL in an average turnaround time of 10.5 hours.

The Office of Residence Life held a total of 181 weekend programs attended by more than 7,000 students during the 2013-2014 academic year. Additionally, resident assistants facilitated more than 700 programs, and 140 programs involving faculty members were presented to resident students in their living learning centers.

Health Service established monthly immunization clinics in collaboration with the Center for Pharmacy Services. This was of particular benefit to international students and students with specific immunization requirements for field work and clinical rotations.

The Center for Teaching Excellence sponsored a workshop titled Dealing with Disruptive Behavior in the Classroom.

Sorority recruitment hit record numbers the past few years. Therefore, an exploratory committee was created to research creating an additional sorority. Alpha Omicron Pi has been selected to expand to campus, bringing the total National Panhellenic Conference sorority count to eight.

Made up of representatives from Greek Life and Athletics, the Greek Life and Athletic Student Leadership Committee was created to discuss both Greek Life and Athletics events, and increase participation and collaboration between these two constituencies.

Approximately 220 individuals attended Commuter Family Day in November 2013.

The Barbara A. Sizemore Urban Education Initiative, now in its fifth year, continued to build upon its work to prepare leaders who understand, identify and address the needs confronted by children and youth in urban centers. The year culminated in the Fifth Annual Sizemore Summer Conference—The (Un)Common Core: Pathways to Opportunity or Mechanisms of Social Injustice?

More than 300 regional professionals attended the Palumbo-Donahue School of Business Accounting Education Conference at Duquesne. Topics included cloud computing’s security challenges, changing tax laws and the effects of the Affordable Care Act on the nation’s businesses.

Late night and weekend program participation is at an all-time high due to the Division of Student Life’s DU Weekends and Launch Your Late Night initiatives coordinated by the Center for Student Involvement staff and Duquesne Program Council.
The Center for the Catholic Intellectual Tradition inaugurated a series of receptions to explore the Catholic artistic imagination. The series convened faculty, staff and graduate students to consider visual art forms, including Michelangelo’s Pieta and Byzantine iconography.

The Tamburitzans increased public awareness of the group through a performance for the president of Croatia and his entourage, a student performance on KDKA, and a mail campaign for the Tamburitzans’ two newly created endowed scholarships.

The Center for Pharmacy Services launched a new transition of care program that provides medication reconciliation on patient medications used prior to hospitalization and those therapies chosen after discharge.

Spiritan Campus Ministry hosted monthly Libermann Luncheons, which attracted an average of 50 attendees, including faculty, staff and administration.

Nearly 3,000 students took advantage of Gumberg Library’s 24-hour study during final exams.

Career Services conducted 1,360 individual career counseling appointments with students and alumni—an increase of 14 percent over the previous year.

Through the Patient Safety and Clinical Pharmacy Services Collaborative, the Center for Pharmacy Care reached 4,190 patients through its services with 2,835 potential adverse drug errors avoided, four actual adverse drug errors detected and 779 drug utilization reviews performed. More than 350 of these patients were given access to medication, 1,530 were counseled on medication use and 2,225 were given preventative care services.

The Special Student Services staff attended a seminar on inclusive policy and practice for students with disabilities in higher education.

The Black Greek Council was created to allow for communication and advocacy for not only Duquesne’s student organizations, but also for students who have membership in city-chartered fraternities and sororities.

The School of Education’s Canevin Center for Educational Transformation and Social Justice was launched in May. The Center is designed to be an epicenter for generative thinking and doing in the education profession. Its mission is to increase the community impact of equity initiatives created within the School of Education.

The Center for Pharmacy Services secured 340B contracts to provide pharmacy services for the Squirrel Hill Health Center and Primary Health Network.

Nine student leadership awards were distributed during the eighth annual Unity Banquet and Scholarship Benefit, which sold out with 300 attendees—a 30 percent increase in attendance from the previous year.

Health Service initiated the Just Ask mobile cart, which is taken to locations on campus so that students can speak with a nurse, obtain health counseling and information, and/or schedule an appointment.

Nearly 500 individuals attended Center for Teaching Excellence programs, including 37 percent of full-time faculty. The overall number of individuals attending rose by 18 percent over the previous year, and the number of adjunct faculty attending doubled.

As of May 2014, 377 students who began their educations as Spiritan Division students have received undergraduate degrees. The division’s four-year graduation rate is 60.4 percent, and the six-year rate is 63.2 percent.

The Center for the Catholic Intellectual Tradition’s Monsignor Rice Lecture Series, dubbed Rice on the Road, again explored social justice issues through interdisciplinary and community-engaged collaboration. Further, the Center and the Office of Service-Learning developed a new fellowship to extend the impact of the series.
DUV records indicate that campus participation in community engagement is extremely high, with 8,440 total volunteers providing 254,667 service hours, the equivalent of $5,742,741 in value, according to Independent Sector. The University community also recorded $122,500 raised for philanthropy.

**Undergraduate Admissions** partnered with the **Bayer School of Natural and Environmental Sciences** and colleagues around campus to host the Pennsylvania Junior Academy of Science (PJAS) Region Seven Competition in February 2014. This was the first time the PJAS regional event was held at a university. With approximately 800 7th- to 12th-grade students, along with teachers, judges and parents, it was the largest external event ever held at the University.

Through the Spirit of Health Initiative, the **Center for Pharmacy Care** provided more than 700 influenza vaccinations at no cost to adults in underserved areas of Pittsburgh and surrounding communities. Further, the Spirit of Health expanded site visits to local food banks from five to 14 and screened a total of 976 patients. Services included 394 blood pressure assessments, 451 cholesterol measurements, 165 bone density screenings and 178 body composition analyses—a 7 percent increase in services from 2013.

The eight **McAnulty College of Liberal Arts’** residential learning communities engaged nearly 300 first-year students in service-learning to the Pittsburgh community. Many of the projects worked within governmental programs, nonprofit programs or faith-based programs. New service-learning initiatives took place at St. Stephen Parish in Hazelwood and First United Methodist Church Soup Kitchen in Pittsburgh’s East End.

**Gumberg Library** sent 222 boxes of book donations to the Spiritan University College in Ejisu, Ghana. Library staff compiled and organized donations from University departments across campus and collaborated with the Brother’s Brother Foundation and the Rotary Club of Tema to ship the books to Ghana.

The **Department of Physics** partnered with the Girls, Math and Science Partnership from the Carnegie Science Center to host girls from that program for two days of immersion in physics, including student-led, hands-on laboratory activities.

The McGinley Public Service Law Fellows program funded 11 **School of Law** students working in public service, including one student working in Gambia and Ghana.

Led by **Duquesne Music Education** students, and funded by the Extra Mile Foundation, the elementary school band students at St. Benedict the Moor School in the Hill District performed a triumphant year-end concert for a beaming audience of parents, teachers and friends. Beginning band enrollment for next year is breaking records.

The **Weber Learning Skills Center’s Act 101 Program** is a higher education access initiative that has been in existence at the University since 1977, serving students who meet academic and economic criteria established by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. The program served 151 Pennsylvania residents this past academic year.

Through the **Office of Multicultural Affairs’** eighth annual Turkey Drive, the Duquesne community helped to provide Thanksgiving turkeys to an estimated 100 families in the Hill District and East End of Pittsburgh.
The University Counseling and Wellbeing Center participated in a number of outreach programs, including multicultural training to the National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health, the Duquesne University Vocation Group at National Catholic Sisters Week, a monthly German Coffee Hour sponsored by the Modern Languages and Literatures Department, an Adjustment to College workshop for parents of Pennsylvania Junior Academy of Science students, and more.

For the past 25 years, each living learning center has supported an underprivileged child through Save the Children Foundation. In 2013-2014, Residence Life supported children from Bolivia, Mozambique, U.S. Appalachia, Haiti and the Mississippi River Delta.

More than 200 student pharmacists from the School of Pharmacy met with senators and representatives in Washington, D.C., to advocate for the role of pharmacy in the improvement of patient health care outcomes.

The Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry continued its participation in the American Chemical Society’s Project SEED by providing summer research opportunities to financially disadvantaged high school students. Students received a fellowship award and a chance to receive a SEED college scholarship.

The Center for Student Involvement and DUV collaborated with 14 student organizations to sponsor a campus-wide DU Donate Drive where clothing and small household items were collected and distributed to Catholic Charities, Who’s Your Brother and One World Running.
The Center for Pharmacy Services provided nearly 8,000 health and wellness screenings at more than 170 community events, increasing total patients served in these outreach areas by 65 percent.

Two Journalism and Multimedia Arts students completed pro-bono media consulting work at the September 11th Families’ Association and at the Tribute Center, a visitors’ center and museum at Ground Zero in Manhattan.

The Department of Modern Languages and Literatures’ sixth annual Human Rights Film Series, titled Conflict and Community, offered free screenings of films dealing with the most critical abuses of human rights in the world today.

During the spring semester, the McAnulty College partnered with the Honors College to develop concepts for reuse of the historic August Wilson house in Pittsburgh’s Hill District.

“One Roof. One Voice.”—a collaboration of the Duquesne University Symphony Orchestra, Choral Organizations, City Music Center, Three Rivers Young Peoples Orchestra and the Children’s Festival Chorus—comprised a community outreach effort that enriched the lives of 165 instrumentalists, 160 choristers, three soloists and an audience of more than 1,500.

More than 55 Duquesne students from the School of Pharmacy—a record number—participated in Legislative Day at the Pennsylvania State Capitol where they advocated for increased patient access to community pharmacy services, increased patient access to preventative vaccines without age restriction and protection from unfair auditing practices.

Through the Office of Multicultural Affairs and the Pittsburgh Promise/C100 Mentoring Conference, the University hosted 120 male seniors from Pittsburgh Public Schools, and two of these students enrolled at Duquesne.
DUV sponsored many University-wide philanthropic projects, including the Coups for Troops initiative, Keep It Clean Southside program, and numerous food and holiday drives.

The Forensic Science and Law program hosted the 10th Annual Forensic Science and Law Phi Sigma Lambda Summer Workshop, in which 24 high school students attended a four-day workshop that provided a glimpse at solving crime using DNA, trace evidence, cyber forensics, fingerprints and firearms analysis.

In keeping with the Spiritan tradition of service to disadvantaged populations, the School of Pharmacy has expanded its experiential education program to include service to populations that traditionally have had little access to health care resources.

The Jerome Bettis Bus Stops Here Foundation partnership with the Spiritan Division began its seventh year of operation this fall. The partnership improves the overall quality of life for troubled and underprivileged inner-city youth by increasing participants’ computer knowledge and access to technology through an eight-week program on Duquesne’s campus. To date, 165 students have completed the program.

With 130 active members, the Gamma Sigma Sigma service organization recorded nearly 10,000 hours of service.

Pure Thirst, a clean water philanthropic organization founded by a Duquesne student, collaborated with Duquesne’s Rotaract Club to sponsor their first water project in Los Planes, Honduras. Through the project, 17 students participated in this spring break mission that raised $23,000 and impacted 1,800 people.

The Center for Student Involvement launched a successful Service Sundays initiative in the NiteSpot, allowing students to engage in a variety of service activities that benefitted many local organizations.

The Summer Institute is a one-week residential enrichment program that exposes high school students to Duquesne University and the world of higher education. A total of 196 students have completed the Summer Institute.

Spiritan Campus Ministry students active in the Consistent Ethic of Life group traveled to Washington, D.C., in January for the March for Life and again in April for an advocacy trip. The students researched and prepared two-minute advocacy talks that they presented to senators to support active legislation.

In December, more than 30 members of the Duquesne Chapel Choir sang Christmas and seasonal songs for 55 inmates at the Allegheny County Jail. To participate, the inmates had to have recorded 30 days of good behavior.

The Up ’til Dawn organization’s letter-writing campaign raised nearly $12,000 to benefit St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital.

In January, the Weber Learning Skills Center and Gussin Spiritan Division became the first recipients of the Whole Child, Whole Community Partner Award from the Pittsburgh Board of Public Education for demonstrating a strong commitment to public education and the success of Pittsburgh Public Schools students.

The Duquesne chapter of Strong Women, Strong Girls had a banner year, filling 100 new mentor positions that provided tutoring and mentoring on a daily basis at 11 sites.

Duquesne placed 17 Federal Work-Study Program tutors in three community sites.

Public Safety, in collaboration with other members of the Duquesne community, implemented a 10-week baseball program for middle school children in the Hill District.

Career Services contributed more than $800 to three selected charities during the academic year through its Jeans for Charity program and participated in service projects throughout the year for such organizations as Habitat for Humanity and Catholic Charities.
The Office of Student Conduct, along with Commuter Affairs, Government Relations, Public Safety and Greek Life, participated in Pittsburgh’s Responsible Hospitality Institute group composed of representatives from the City of Pittsburgh, local universities and neighborhood associations.

Special Student Services celebrated World Autism Day with promotional materials, fundraising for Autism Speaks and an information table on Academic Walk.

The Center for Pharmacy Care continued its collaboration with Tobacco Free Allegheny as a member of the Tobacco Cessation Program and expanded efforts to create smoking cessation individual appointments.

Public Safety assisted the City of Pittsburgh Police Department with a weeklong summer camp for inner city children aged 10-14. The camp hosted approximately 50 children free of charge.
Grants from all sources totaled approximately $8 million for the University in 2013-2014. This represents a solid number for a year in which funding was very challenging. In addition, the number of proposals increased by 36 to 167 total.

Three undergraduate students were named winners of prestigious Goldwater Scholarship Awards for the 2014-2015 academic year. Only 283 students of 1,166 applicants nationwide were chosen for the scholarship awards of up to $7,500 a year.

In 2013, 46 issued and pending patents resulting from research in the School of Pharmacy were licensed to Flag Therapeutics, a company started by a Duquesne pharmacy alumnus. In addition, five issued and pending patents from research in the McAnulty College were licensed to JComputing.

Seven student presentations involving 10 undergraduate students from the School of Nursing, the Bayer School and the School of Music were accepted and presented at the national meeting of the Council for Undergraduate Research in Lexington, Ky.

The Biomedical Engineering program received $1.4 million from the NIH National Cancer Institute to perform research on early detection of melanoma. This project takes place over five years and includes collaborators from the University of Pittsburgh and the University of Missouri.

Faculty in the School of Pharmacy were awarded a total of $3,087,653 in external grant funding for the 2013-2014 academic year. This is a 36 percent increase over the previous year. Further, 57 percent of the external grant proposals submitted were funded.

Through the Office of Research, the Biotechnology Community Laboratory with UI 21 as a partner was conceived and funded via $550,000 in external grant funding.

Students in the School of Nursing’s family nurse practitioner program achieved a 100 percent certification pass rate.

The Honors College’s Signature Partnership with Daisy Wilson Artists Community secured Keystone and matching grants for $50,000 to repair masonry on August Wilson’s childhood home.

Duquesne CARES/Residence Life were awarded a two-year, $40,000 grant from the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board for alcohol prevention and proactive programming.

During 2013-2014, the Bayer School of Natural and Environmental Sciences received $3.4 million in new grant funding from agencies such as the National Science Foundation, the National Institutes of Health and the McCune Foundation. Faculty members published 51 peer-reviewed journal articles, including publications in the prestigious journals Nature and the Proceedings of the National Academy of Science. Faculty members also filed eight patent applications.

The Palumbo-Donahue School of Business received awards including more than $91,000 for student and program support, and more than $90,000 for faculty research support.

Two Department of Physical Therapy faculty were recipients of National Physical Therapy Awards: the Neurologic Clinical Excellence Award and the Elizabeth Noble Award.
In 2013, McAnulty College faculty published nine monographs; four edited volumes; 127 articles, book chapters or encyclopedia entries; eight review articles; nine journals or journal issues; and one translation.

The Small Business Development Center (SBDC) secured $236,742 from the Small Business Administration in anticipated funding for the 2014 calendar year; $111,317 from various corporations for training; $36,270 from various corporations to support the international regulatory assistance program; $16,805 from the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development (PA DCED) for the Northwestern Region PREP Program, and $194,828 from PA DCED for the Southwestern Region PREP Program; and $30,000 from the PA DCED through the Neighborhood Assistance Program Tax Credit offered through UPMC.

Three School of Nursing faculty members have been selected for induction as fellows to the prestigious American Academy of Nursing. The fellowships recognize individuals for their leadership in education, management and policy, and their work to improve the health of the nation.

The School of Nursing received a HRSA grant in the amount of $815,000 for Operation BSN to educate veterans for the second-degree and RN-BSN online programs.

Faculty in the McAnulty College earned grants including a $30,000 grant from the Alcoa Foundation to continue the Diversity in Computational Technology project; a $25,000 Innovations Works “Discovered and Developed in Pennsylvania” University Grant; a Lilly Fellows Program Small Grant Award; a visiting researcher appointment at the Max Planck Institute for Psycholinguistics; and a $90,000 Transatlantic Academy grant.

School of Pharmacy faculty made 123 poster or podium presentations at local, regional, national or scientific meetings in 2013-2014. In addition, the school’s faculty secured three patents, published 86 peer-reviewed journal articles and published two pharmacy education-related books.

The cumulative GPA for Duquesne student athletes was over 3.15.

Students in the Rangos School achieved a 100 percent pass rate on the national certifying exam in physician assistant, occupational therapy, athletic training and physical therapy.

The School of Law again achieved solid results on the Pennsylvania Bar Exam, with a first-time pass rate of 82.41 percent in the fall of 2013.

School of Education faculty continued to advance the school’s national and international reputation for scholarship and research in 2013-2014, producing 114 national and international refereed presentations and publishing 61 journal articles, seven books and 29 book chapters.

The School of Nursing received $653,791 in HRSA Nurse Faculty Loan Funding.

Students from the School of Law won the 41st annual Academy of Trial Lawyers Mock Trial Competition, the American Association of Justice (AAJ) Student Trial Advocacy Competition regional, the 2014 National Energy and Sustainability Moot Court Competition, and the much-coveted Best Brief Award in the Dean Jerome Prince Memorial Evidence Competition in New York.

The Jonas Foundation, The Jonas Center for Nursing and Veterans Healthcare, has chosen the School of Nursing to participate in the Jonas Scholars program for 2014 with a $30,000 grant to support one Ph.D. Jonas Nurse Leader Scholar, one Ph.D. Jonas Veterans Healthcare Scholar and one DNP Jonas Veterans Healthcare Scholar.
The **Office of Service-Learning** received funding from the American Association of Colleges and Universities to convene a two-part civic summit. The summit attracted 27 faculty to discuss the importance of civic learning outcomes across engaged learning activities and the coherence of civic learning with Duquesne’s Spiritan mission and charism.

The **Center for the Catholic Intellectual Tradition** and the **Department of Theology** won a Lilly Fellows Program grant to develop a faculty workshop on *Environmental Stewardship and Sustainability: Explorations at a Spiritan Catholic University* during the 2014-2015 academic year. The workshop will gather half a dozen faculty from various disciplines to study Catholic and Spiritan resources and work on specific projects related to the environment.

The **Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry** sent 12 undergraduate students to present their research at the American Chemical Society National Meeting in Dallas, Texas in spring 2014.

The **Law School’s National Trial Team** finished the prestigious Tournament of Champions in Birmingham, Ala., as semi-finalists. This invitation-only tournament is the premier law school trial competition in the nation.

The **School of Nursing** received a significant donation in lab equipment in the amount of $138,000 from PocketNurse.

**Career Services** received a $5,000 grant from the Target Community Foundation to develop and implement a career leadership program for the School of Pharmacy.
In April, the University broke ground on The Genesius Project, a new $4.5 million, 10,500-square-foot theater. When completed in the 2015-2016 academic year, The Genesius Project will provide seating for up to 160 people in a space that can be adapted to a wide variety of performance needs.

The continuation of a multi-year renovation project in Mellon Hall continued, and funds related to a $1.7 million grant from the National Science Foundation to partially fund the renovations were fully expended.

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**Operational/Infrastructure Enhancements**

**Gumberg Library** and the **Center for Legal Information** jointly purchased a new integrated library system. The next-generation system will allow for significant University savings over the next five years, while better meeting the needs of today’s library users.

The **McAnulty College** opened 11 new offices for adjunct faculty in McAnulty Hall, including seven shared offices and four offices for one-on-one meeting with students.

Collaborative efforts between the **Enrollment Management Group’s Office of Enrollment Systems and CTS** facilitated the implementation of Ellucian Recruiter, a customer relationship management system, for the Office of Undergraduate Admissions. Recruiter will allow for a more sophisticated communication strategy throughout the recruitment and admissions cycle. Applications will have a modern look and feel and be more user-friendly.

**Educational Technology** implemented the BLUE software system for Student Evaluation Surveys, helping to achieve a dramatic increase in the student response rate.

**Gumberg Library** increased student study space by adding 20 tables and 80 seats on the fifth floor. The shelving removed to create new study space was donated to a Pittsburgh nonprofit to renovate its storage facility.

**Facilities Management** undertook a number of construction projects, including renovation of the chapel loft, biology and chemistry laboratories, the law school’s third floor moot courtroom, the first floor dining area in the Union, the new Psychology Clinic, and departmental offices in Rockwell Hall, as well as construction of facilities for the Biomedical Engineering program and high-technology collaborative classrooms in Fisher Hall and Rockwell Hall.

The **Italian Campus** in Rome modernized its two smart classrooms with all-new audio equipment provided through the generosity of a donor.

The **Enrollment Management Group** reworked a number of processes—such as the graduate and law award packaging processes and the Pennsylvania State Grant Program reconciliation process—to increase automation, reduce time requirements and reduce paper use.

**CTS** moved datacenter operations from campus to a secure, efficient and highly redundant hosted datacenter. This move allows for cost savings, increased reliability and greater disaster recovery capabilities.

**Gumberg Library** responded to student requests by adding Web-based printing, quick lookup stations and additional printers on the fourth and fifth floors.

**Educational Technology** added Pearson and Nook Study as integrated online digital content providers.

**Facilities Management** undertook major work on the Energy Center, including the installation of a 6,000-gallon emergency water storage system and the relocation of the cooling towers from the roof of the center to the roof of the Forbes Avenue Garage.

**SGA** acquired DoubleMap, a tracking app for smartphones, to enable students to track the location/routes of the Southside Shuttles and Loop buses.

**Human Resources** designed and implemented a strategy to track hours for part-time employees in compliance with the Affordable Care Act.

**Human Resources** rolled out Bswift, a new, Web-based benefit enrollment management system.

**The Controller’s Office** continuously seeks to improve business processes to better serve the campus community. During the past year, Banner Document Imaging was expanded to include cash receipts and purchase order documents resulting in a decrease in lost time searching for documents and in needed office space. E-Sign, another process improvement, is helping make students’ lives easier by providing for online transaction processing of Federal Student Loan Programs.
The Duquesne Union’s third floor 
**Information Center** was renovated to meet ADA requirements and to enable expanded services.

The University Counseling Center moved from the Administration Building to its new location at 636 Fisher Hall, becoming the **University Counseling and Wellbeing Center**. The new space will allow the center to provide an atmosphere more conducive to its focus on student wellbeing, as well as providing space for the entire staff in one location.

The first two major renovation projects outlined in the Housing Renewal Program in the **Duquesne Towers** concluded in the summer of 2014. All of the building’s furniture—1,150 sets—has been replaced, and the bathroom renovation project has been completed.

**Gumberg Library** partnered with the Investment Center in the **School of Business** to add a Bloomberg terminal in the library. Students can now access the specialized Bloomberg databases when the Investment Center is not available.

The Technical Services group of **CTS** improved computer installation and software image configuration through the implementation of Microsoft’s SCCM. The new deployment process decreases the effort and time it takes to deploy new computers in the labs and the offices of faculty and staff.

**Special Student Services** has begun transitioning to an electronic medical record system to improve student service and confidentiality.

The **Center for Student Involvement** launched the use of 25Live, a campus-wide space management system, to student organizations.

The Off-Ramp dining venue on the first floor of the Duquesne Union was completely renovated and renamed **The Incline**.

**Human Resources** implemented a Workflow program for the adjunct assignment process. The program simplified the process, improved accuracy of data submitted, produced system-generated contracts and saved a significant amount of time for the schools issuing the contracts.

In an effort to assist students in the registration process, the **Retention Office** created a new notification process so that any holds preventing registration are visible when a student logs into DORI. Quick links and contacts are provided to assist students in resolving the holds.

The card access system in use across campus has been upgraded to the most recent version. This software will improve campus safety and allow both **Residence Life** and **Public Safety** to ensure our students’ security far more effectively.

The **Office of Student Conduct** coordinated the transfer of student disciplinary files into a new system called Conduct Coordinator. This next-generation software solution for conduct case management is a Web-based system that manages cases from occurrence to conclusion.

**The University Counseling and Wellbeing Center** opened an interfaith meditation room to all University faculty, staff and students at 637 Fisher Hall. The room includes meditation cushions and benches and encourages traditional meditation practices.
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