













1. Allison Simpson, (Belton, KY) strikes a pose on Wild West Wednesday. 2. The winning chariot team poses with Barney before receiving their prize. 3. Larry O'Bryan '70 (pictured) and others that gathered for the 2015 Veterans Homecoming Ceremony took a moment to recognize loved ones who had served their country before burning incense in their memory. 4. Connor Hundley, (Owensboro, KY) and Corey Merrit (Owensboro, KY) go head to head in mud volleyball. 5. Alumni Association President, Sabrina Ison '05, presents the Outstanding Alumni Award to Sara Mills '05 at the Friday night Annual Gathering of the Alumni Association Cocktail Reception.

Parmina Lodriguez Villa





rescia welcomed back Carmina Rodriguez Villa '71 for the "Return to the Arch" Lecture Series as part of the homecoming celebration. A crowd of community members, students and friends listened as Carmina recounted her travels that helped pen her book "Mariano's World," that recounts the life and art of her father, Mariano Rodriguez Tormo.

RETURN TO THE ARCH

Carmina grew up in Encrucijada, a small town in the central province of Cuba, Las Villas, as it was known during the Republic. As a child, Villa lived through the years of peace and democracy that preceded Batista's military coup. As a pre-teen and teenager,

she witnessed the years of military dictatorship, revolution and civil war, followed by the triumph of the revolutionary movement led by Fidel Castro. She eventually experienced life under Communism during the initial years of Castro's regime.

In June, 1961, Villa became one of over 14,000 unaccompanied Cuban minors that were sent by middle-class parents to the United States under Operation Peter Pan. Some 12,000 of these exiled children, including Villa and her brother, were relocated to orphanages, boarding schools, group homes and foster homes throughout the country. Their parents

followed them into exile, some sooner, some later; but many never saw their children again.

Carmina graduated from Brescia in 1971 with her Bachelor's degree, then went on to receive her Master's from Western Kentucky University and an EdD in Science and Humanities from Rutgers University, New Jersey. As an educator for thirty-five years, Villa worked as a teacher, principal and district administrator in public school districts in Owensboro and Long Branch, New Jersey. For five years, she was Director of Missions for the Ave Maria Foundation's two elementary schools in Honduras. Villa currently resides in Naples, Florida.



Alumni Association omecoming





1. The Alumni Association poses with for a picture with their newly elected officers. 2. Spirit Week kicked off with Mighty Monday, where students, faculty and staff were invited to dress up as their favorite superhero. Tammy Keller, Director of Human Resources, stole the show, dressing up as a member of the United States Army, adorning her husband's uniform. 3. Vicki Will, Associate Professor of Psychology, and her daughter, Lydia Tinsley, (Owensboro, KY) took Twinning Tuesday to new heights.

ber Graduat WELCOME

Congratulations to all of our December graduates and welcome to the Brescia University Alumni family! We wish you the best of luck in all your endeavors. We'll see you at commencement in the spring!

KENTUCKY

Calhoun

Patrick Clouse, Biology Christian McHatton, Integrated Studies

Hardin

Amanda Keown, English

Hawesville

Justin McCormick, Business

Henderson

Zachary Capps, Integrated Studies Jason Johnson, Business

Hopkinsville

Kayla Wade, Interdisciplinary Early Childhood Education

Lawrenceburg

Ricki Neff, Human Services

Lewisport

Sara Brown, Special Education

Louisville

Caressia Marshall, Social Work

Owensboro

Eyob Arega, Computer Science with an emphasis in Business and Management Systems Robert Glenn, Business Samantha Hall, Accounting Martina Krampe, Accounting Sarah Lawson, Social Work Karen Midkiff, Human Services Kelsi Woodall, Social Work Brain Wray, History and Pre-Law Studies

Paducah

Dakota Durrett, Integrated Studies

Reynolds Station

Lesley Henderson, English with an emphasis in Professional Writing

Utica

Derek Austin, Psychology

ARKANSAS

Fort Smith

Susan Morales, Human Services

CALIFORNIA

Pasadena

Mariam Manuchary, Social Work

Sacramento

Pamela Hammon, Social Work

COLORADO

Colorado Springs

Michelle Herrera, Social Work

FLORIDA

Lehigh Acres

Melissa Wisniewski, Psychology

GEORGIA

Decatur

Albert Phillips, Social Work

IDAHO

Idaho Falls

Chelsie Rencher, Human Services

INDIANA

Greenfield

Jolene Fugate, Human Services

Jeffersonville

Dustin Smith, Social Work

KANSAS

Manhattan

Amy Hartman, Social Work

Ratina Rich, Social Work

MONTANA

Bozeman

Cynthia Soriano, Human Services

NEVADA

Gardnerville

Wendy Sands, Social Work

NORTH CAROLINA

Efland

Irene Crowder, Theology

Lowell

Kathryn Wilkey, Social Work

Yanceyville

Donna Graves, Social Work

NORTH DAKOTA

Grand Forks

Reagan Lange, Social Work

OHIO

Beavercreek TWP

Julie Hernandez, Social Work

Leavittsburg

Maggi Rihel, Human Services

St. Paris

Julie Dunn, Social Work

PENNSYLVANIA

Mechanicsburg

Elizabeth Walden, Social Work

Waynesboro

Jenna Moore, Social Work

SOUTH CAROLINA

West Columbia

Lindsey Fuller, Social Work

TENNESSEE

Dyersburg

Kassie Scott, Social Work

VIRGINIA

Alexandria

Linsey Berens, Social Work

Barboursville

Katherine Harrison, Social Work

Virginia Beach

Dawn Seay, Human Services

WISCONSIN

Madison

Erica Johnson, Human Services

CANADA

Edmonton, Alberta

Rasheal Charles, Social Work





The campus was busy with students and families moving into the dorms



Family members take a quick break from moving to snap a selfie with Barney.



Students and their families arrive at campus for registration day



Students participate in icebreakers as they get to know their fellow class mates and orientation leaders.





FALL SEMESTER BRINGS NEARLY \$2.7 MILLION IN GRANTS

Brescia University received three grants in the fall semester that promise exciting changes for the institution. The largest of which was a \$2.2 million grant from the United States Department of Education as part of the Strengthening Institutions Program (SIP). This grant is the largest Brescia University has received in the institution's history and will be distributed over a five year period.

The funds will support the proposed Title III project, Brescia 2020, that seeks to contribute to long-term viability and sustainability of Brescia by cultivating and nurturing an academic culture that blends the tradition and heritage of a liberal arts education with modern and innovative modes of delivery in an effort to prepare students to achieve their desired career goals. The project will also foster growth and increased enrollment as well as increase retention, achievement and graduation rates through enhanced academic support services, professional development and space and technology upgrades.

With this grant, Brescia hired Thomas Sabetta as the new Director of the Ursuline Center for Teaching and Learning. Dr. Sabetta will also serve as the Title III Strengthening Institutions Program (SIP) Grant Director. Sabetta will be responsible for establishing and directing the center, as well as serving as project manager for the SIP grant from the Lilly Foundation.

A \$432,227 grant will establish "Living and Leading with Love," a program that will provide Catholic high school students with a combination of theological reflections, online learning experiences, service opportunities, and social functions for the duration of one academic year; the culmination will be a ten-day, intensive on-ground experience at Brescia University.



Representatives of the Alcoa Foundation pose with recipients of the grants they provided to local organizations to help aid in supporting improvements to education and protecting the environment.

It is part of Lilly Endowment Inc.'s High School Youth Theology Institutes initiative, which seeks to encourage young people to explore theological traditions, ask questions about the moral dimensions of contemporary issues and examine how their faith calls them to lives of service.

The key objective of LLL will be to extend the college experience, in an age-appropriate way, to interested high school students using this same "theology of charity" with the specific goals of helping young people to: discover the vocation to love; explore the meaning of love; and identify practical ways of putting that love into action.

The final grant Brescia received was a \$30,000 grant from the Alcoa Foundation that will fund a STEM mentoring program for ninth-grade female students with an interest in seeking a STEM-related college education and/or career upon graduation from high school. The grant will be distributed in the amount of \$15,000 over the course of two years.

The program will consist of a five-day summer institute for 48 female students enrolled in Daviess county-area high schools and will take place on Brescia University's campus. The focus will be on STEM concepts and careers with the overall goal of encouraging participants to attend college and seek out STEM fields.

The program will also include mentoring sessions on a monthly basis during the academic year to provide one-on-one tutoring opportunities, as well as education activities and seminars related to STEM concepts. Participants will be matched with a Brescia University student who is enrolled in a STEM major to support them throughout the academic year.





BRESCIA STUDENTS EXPERIENCE LIFE BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

Spanish students had the opportunity to immerse themselves in the language and culture of Costa Rica this summer with a Spanish Practicum Abroad. Yesica Cisneros, Kelsey Fox and Carolina Campos Glover traveled to Los Santos, a coffee mountain region in the central southern part of Costa Rica where they volunteered at their respective worksites throughout the week and enjoyed traveling on the weekends. The Brescia University Practicum Abroad for Spanish majors was initiated in 1996 in Puebla, Mexico sponsored by the Ursuline Sisters of Puebla.

PSYCHOLOGY CLUB TRAVELS TO KINSEY INSTITUTE

The Psychology Club visited the Kinsey Institute in Bloomington, Indiana. The Kinsey Institute is for research in sex, gender and reproduction and is a nonprofit research institute established in 1947 by Dr. Alfred Kinsey.



BRESCIA HOSTS ADVENT PRAYER SERVICE

For the third year, the Ursuline Associate group from Owensboro joined with Ursuline Sisters of Mount Saint Joseph who minister at Brescia University to have an Advent prayer service at the Brescia chapel. Pictured are (L-R) Sister Pam Mueller, Director of Campus Ministry, Sister Judith Nell Riney, Director of Library Services and Lisa Gulino, Assistant Professor of Theology.



BRESCIA HOSTS LARGEST LAW SCHOOL FAIR IN OWENSBORO



Brescia hosted their annual Law School Fair and welcomes visitors for two days of events to campus. Representative from Indiana University, Bloomington and SIU Carbondale, as well as the University of Kentucky, University of Louisville and Northern Kentucky University participated, sharing information about their programs. An All-Star panel of Owensboro legal professionals also participated in a panel discussing their profession and answering questions.



NUTRITION STUDENTS SHOW CREATIVITY

Nutrition students worked in small groups throughout the semester on various projects allowing them to express their creativity to describe various nutrition concepts and processes visually.



GENETICS STUDENTS UNCOVER EVOLUTIONARY RELATIONSHIPS

Students in Genetics worked in groups to discover evolutionary relationships between different bird species by using molecular genetics via extracting muscle from birds then analyzing the protein differences to make comparisons for similarities.

Campus life



BRESCIA STAFF SHOWCASE THEIR CULINARY TALENTS

Members of Brescia's staff went head to head in the 2nd Annual Staff Bake Off with a special emphasis this year on pies. Stephanie Clary took home 1st place with her Peanut Butter pie with Oreo crust, followed closely by Christy Rohner's Dark Chocolate Salted Carmel Pie and Schyler Pentecost's Derby Pie. (Winners are pictured R-L)

BRESCIA STUDENT PERFORMS AT "DAVIESS COUNTY: THROUGH THE LENS OF ART" Jacob Whitfill, a senior from H



Jacob Whitfill, a senior from Hardinsburg, Kentucky, became Captain William Ellis for a night as he portrayed the character for the art opening of "Daviess County: Through the Lens of Art". The celebration at Owensboro Museum of Fine Arts was part of the Daviess County bicentennial. Attendees did their best to sway Whitfill by attempting to engage him in "modern conversation", but failed as Whitfill truly became Captain Ellis.

BRESCIA POLITICAL SCIENCE STUDENTS PARTICIPATE IN NATIONAL CONFERENCE



Political Science students traveled to the International Studies Association-Midwest Annual Conference in St. Louis and had the opportunity to present their research on various topics.

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KENTUCKY

Almo: Kayleigh House, Freshman, Chemical Engineering

Beaver Dam: Rylan Smith, Freshman

Belton: Allison Simpson, Senior, Psychology

Bowling Green: **Leah Armstrong**, Sophomore, Secondary English; **Morgan Manning**, Senior, Elementary Education; **Cheryl Powell**, Senior, Theology; **Courtney Reels**, Sophomore, Speech Pathology/Audiology

Calhoun: Christian McHatton, Senior, Integrated Studies

Caneyville: Alanna Mudd, Sophomore, Elementary Education

Central City: **Ricki Bethel**, Junior, Speech Pathology/Audiology ; **April Gilbert**, Freshman, Psychology

Clay: Lauren Grant, Senior, Speech Pathology/Audiology

Cloverport: Hallie Popham, Junior, Medical Technology

Crestwood: Benjamin Sammet, Freshman

Elizabethtown: Kassie Spink, Senior, Social Work

Fancy Farm: **Peyton Carrico**, Junior, Social Work

Franklin: **Shauntel Mincy**, Sophomore, Social Work Gilbertsville: **Carleigh Bright**, Senior, Political Science

Hardin: **Amanda Keown**, Senior, English

Hardinsburg: **Madalyn Jolly**, Sophomore, Psychology; **Paige Mingus**, Senior, Speech Pathology/Audiology; **Julianna Whitfill**, Senior, Biology

Hartford: Taylor Love, Freshman, Accounting

Hawesville: Jessica Burk, Junior, Social Work

Hazel: **Ryan Oates**, Sophomore, Biochemistry

Henderson: Amy Bassett, Junior, Social Work; Kaylee Buckman-Nelson, Sophomore, English; Patricia Crespo Padilla, Senior, Business: Emphasis in Finance and Economics, Spanish; Sarah Oliver, Junior, Social Work

Hickory: Nicole Burks, Junior, Speech Pathology/Audiology

Knottsville: **Kelly Gilmore**, Sophomore, Speech Pathology/ Audiology

Leitchfield: **Heather Easley**, Sophomore, English

Lewisport: **Stacy Lawson**, Senior, Business; **Aaron Anderson**, Sophomore, Graphic Design; **John Bolin**, Freshman, Art Education; **Sara Lewis**, Sophomore, Theology

Lexington: **Debra Smith**, Sophomore, Social Work; **Adam Niday**, Senior, Social Work

Louisville: Jessica Head, Senior, Social Work; Margaret Ballou, Sophomore, Biology; Jamie Chowning, Sophomore, Social Work; Kaylee Crawley, Freshman, Speech Pathology/Audiology

Maceo: Adam Hayden, Freshman, Biology

Madisonville: Katherine Porter, Freshman,

Maple Mount: **Anh Tran**, Senior, Theology

Mayfield: Justin Roberts, Junior, Accounting; Courtney Woods, Senior, English

Milton: **Heather Garcia**, Junior, Social Work

Munfordville: **Jamie Alvey**, Senior, English

Owensboro: Stephanie Orolfo, Junior, Business; Londa Boyd, Sophomore, Accounting; Heather Fitzgerald, Senior, Middle School Education; Danielle Hancock, Sophomore, Biology; Kirstin Horsley, Junior, Psychology; William Johnson, Junior, ogy; Angela Kurz, Sophomore, Accounting; Caitlin E Merritt, Senior, English with an Emphasis in Professional Writing; Amanda Richards, Senior, Business: Emphasis in HRM: Cody Robertson, Freshman, Business; Kaitlin Bash, Senior, Social Work; Brooklyn Bowman, Freshman; Virginia Carrico, Freshman; Haley Coons, Sophomore, Accounting; Landon Dame, Senior, Chemistry; Sarah Dowell, Senior, Business; Madalyn Duty, Senior, English with an Emphasis in Professional Writing; Jessica Embry, Sophomore, Special Education; Whitney Galloway, Sophomore, Business; Samantha Hall, Senior, Accounting; Ethan Hall, Senior, Biology; Hannah Harper, Sophomore, Human Services; Chandra Harry, Senior, Business; Charles Hundley, Senior, Chemistry; Kathleen Jurkiewicz, Senior, Accounting; **Jonathon Kamuf**, Senior, Business: Emphasis in Finance and Economics, **Ashley Kruta**, Sophomore, Psychology, **Sarah Lawson**, Senior, Social Work; **Jennifer Minton**, Junior, Radford, Freshman, Biology; Nicole Ralph, Senior, Elementary Education; William Scalf, Sophomore, Accounting; Jonathan Speed, Freshman, Health Sciences; Jacob Stanley, Freshman, Secondary Biology; Morgan Thomas, Freshman, Speech Pathology/Audiology; Abigail Thomas, Senior, Middle School Education; Marissa Walker, Sophomore, Social Work; Stephanie Wall, Junior, Secondary English; Taylor Wathen, Junior, Speech Pathology/Audiology; Alexandria Wink, Freshman, Secondary Mathematics; Kelsi Woodall, Senior, Social Work; Kelsey Fox, Senior, English, Spanish; Kathara Keller, Senior, Integrated Senior, English, Spanish; **Kathryn Keller**, Senior, Integrated Studies; **Jessica Head**, Senior, Social Work; **Stacy Lawson**, Senior, Business; Jennie Satterfield, Sophomore, Psychology; Jennifer Withers, Freshman, Biology

Paducah: **Zaria Brown**, Freshman, English; Dakota Durrett, Senior, Integrated Studies

Philpot: **Jonathan Brey**, Senior, Middle School Education; **Olivia Conder**, Sophomore, Art; **Emily Ditto**, Sophomore, English with an Emphasis in Professional Writing; **Katie Ford**, Senior, Speech

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS FROM BRESCIA UNIVERSITY WHO WERE NAMED TO THE FALL 2015 DEAN'S LIST FOR COMPLETING 12 CREDIT HOURS WITH A 3.5 GPA.

Pathology/Audiology; Nathan Huff, Senior, Business; Sarah Martin, Senior, Elementary Education

Princeton: Sara Barnard, Senior, Social Work

Russellville: Emily Dowell, Freshman, Psychology

Scottsville: **Brittany Roush**, Sophomore, Health Sciences

Stanford: **Laura Estridge**, Senior, Speech Pathology/Audiology

Sturgis: Katlyn Mendoza, Freshman, Social Work

Summersville: Rene Perkins, Junior, Social Work

Tompkinsville: **Dillon Geralds**, Sophomore, Business

Union: **Daniel Lageman**, Senior, Theology: Emphasis in Pastoral Studies

Utica: Emily Adkins, Senior, Business: Emphasis in HRM; Tristan Durbin, Sophomore, Business: Emphasis in Management; Mallorie Polston, Freshman, Elementary Education; Derek Austin, Senior, Psychology; Kayleigh Bowlds, Senior, Speech Pathology/Audiology

Viper: Joyce Coots, Senior, Social Work

Waverly: Aaron King, Senior, Psychology

White Plains: **Cameron Robinson**, Sophomore, Political Science

Whitesville: Marketa Kreuzingerova, Senior, Accounting: Finance and Economics; Hannah Bland, Freshman, Theology; *Lori Dant*, Junior, Business; Helen Thren, Sophomore, Middle School Education

Winchester: Jean Hurley, Junior, Social Work

ALABAMA

Cottondale: Merry Nobles, Senior, Social Work

Huntsville: Christina Kirkland, Junior, Social Work

Montgomery: **Cynthia Ann Foote,** Junior, Social Work

Semmes: **Lindsay Lum**, Senior, Social Work

Vincent: Elandis Hardy, Sophomore, Social Work

Vinemont: **Erin Dover**, Senior, Social Work

ARIZONA

Glendale: Niccol Hipolito, Junior, Social Work

ARKANSAS

Mountain Home: **Autumn Goss**, Senior, Social Work; **Jennifer Stickles**, Senior, Social Work

CALIFORNIA

Los Angeles: **Hamaspyur Arakelyan**, Junior, Accounting

Olivehurst: Erin Ticarat, Junior, Social Work

Rancho Cuamonga: **Sal Arredondo**, Sophomore, Social Work

San Diego: **Dulce Lopez**, Senior, Social Work

COLORADO

Colorado Springs: **Heather Wilkins**, Senior, Social Work

Grand Junction: **Shannon Cordova**, Senior, Social Work

CONNECTICUT

Ellington: **Sabrina Sehl**, Senior, Integrated Studies

FLORIDA

Delray Beach: **Florencia Martinez Echenique**, Senior, Psychology

Inverness: Jennifer Monier, Junior, Social Work

Largo: Matthew Howard, Junior, Social Work

Lehigh Acres: **Melissa Wisniewski**, Senior, Psychology

Live Oak: Clare Nolan, Senior, Social Work

Longwood: Danielle Moran, Junior, Social Work Margate: Melissa Kelly, Senior, Social Work

Orlando: **Wyatt Locke**, Junior, Social Work;

Nicole Lipsky, Junior, Social Work

Pensacola: **Michele Johnston**, Senior, Social Work, Theology: Emphasis in Pastoral Studies

GEORGIA

Atlanta: **Jordan Wilson**, Sophomore, Business

Blairsville: **Jamie Seabolt**, Senior, Social Work

Decatur: **Albert Phillips**, Senior, Social Work

Forest Park: **Blair Weiseger**, Senior, Psychology Lithonia: **Sophia Slater**, Junior, Social Work

Marshallville: Cassandra Benton, Senior, Social

Monroe: **Keeley Kooken**, Senior, Social Work

IDAHO

Caldwell: **Brianne Fagenstrom**, Junior, Social

Idaho Falls: **Joan Radford**, Senior, Social Work

ILLINOIS

Carterville: **Abigail Beyke Cowser-Barnett**, Senior, Social Work

Marquette Heights: **Molly Steinseifer**, Junior, Social Work

Mascoutah: **Nickole Durbin**, Junior, Political Science

Metropolis: Joshua Wetzel, Senior, Accounting

Normal: **Elizabeth DeRosa**, Sophomore, Human Services; Nicholle Resac, Junior, Social Work

Scott AFB: Caleb Tisher, Freshman, History

INDIANA

Charlestown: **Nola Hudson-Paschal**, Junior, Psychology

Evansville: **Andrea Townsend**, Senior, Social

Ferdinand: Kara Dilger, Freshman, Business

Fort Wayne: **Taylor Holley**, Senior, Speech Pathology/Audiology

Greenfield: **Sherry Jenkins**, Senior, Social Work

Haubstadt: **Mariah Kramer**, Freshman, Speech Pathology/Audiology

Huntingburg: **Audrey Mehling**, Sophomore, Flementary Education

Indianapolis: **Amanda Meyer,** Senior, Social Work

Leopold: **Samantha Steckler**, Sophomore, Business: Emphasis in Finance and Economics

Portland: Catherine Dunn, Freshman

KANSAS

Hutchinson: **Sarah Stout**, Freshman, Human

Manhattan: **Dakota Barron**, Sophomore, Computer Science with Emphasis in Quantitative Theory; **Amy Hartman**, Senior, Social Work

LOUISIANA

Sulphur: **Kathleen Sonnier**, Freshman, Human Services

MARYLAND

Upper Marlboro: Laniece Goines, Senior, Social

MASSACHUSETTS

Forestdale: **Courtney Onwuzuruigbo**, Junior, Social Work

MICHIGAN

Ann Arbor: **Tami Moreno**, Senior, Social Work Battle Creek: **Rachel Gorlitz**, Junior, Social Work

Charlotte: **Leticia Stone**, Senior, Social Work

Midland: **Betsy Morey**, Senior, Social Work; **Hope Walker**, Junior, Social Work

MINNESOTA

Akeley: **Amanda Semmler**, Junior, Social Work Eden Prairie: **Laura Jo Rodriguez**, Junior, Social

Kasson: **Sara Tear,** Sophomore, Human Services Kenyon: **Christine Mallery,** Senior, Social Work

Ortonville: **Kirstin Scoblic**, Senior, Social Work Stewartsville: **Kimberly Johnson**, Sophomore, Social Work

MISSISSIPPI

Biloxi: **Rose Bautista**, Senior, Social Work

Brandon: **Amber Taylor,** Sophomore, Human Services

SOUTH CAROLINA

TENNESSEE

TEXAS

Services

UTAH

VIRGINIA

Columbia: Amanda Fox, Junior, Social Work

Hopkins: Jordan Edem, Junior, Social Work

Atwood: Annie Emert, Freshman, Psychology

Chattanooga: Laura Rutledge, Junior, Social Work

Psychology; Samantha Myers, Senior, Social

Work; Jorey Verrette, Senior, Social Work

Fairview: Sigrid Igartua, Junior, Social Work

Fayetteville: Julie Miller, Junior, Social Work

Amarillo: Jennifer Quintero, Junior, Social Work

Burkburnett: Lindsay Booze, Sophomore, Human

Austin: Terina Buentello, Junior, Social Work

Friendswood: Marissa Meader, Junior, Social

Houston: Grace Omidiji, Senior, Social Work

Katy: Jenifer McLuskie, Senior, Psychology

Kerrville: Shannon Marion, Junior, Social Work

Lindale: Deborah Sanchez, Senior, Social Work

Longview: Danielle Walker, Sophomore, Human

Midland: Alysha Meacham, Junior, Social Work

Mineola: Erin Boyd, Sophomore, Human Services

Hill AFB: Maribeth LaDouceur, Senior, Social Work

Alexandria: Vasiliki Hernandez, Senior, Social

Barboursville: Katherine Harrison, Senior, Social

Mechanicsville: Kelin Santos, Senior, Social Work

Vinton: Ana Zuniga Arana, Junior, Social Work

Virginia Beach: Kimberly Hobart, Senior, Social

Linden: Sandra Davis, Senior, Social Work

Irving: Apryl Green, Senior, Social Work

Nashville: Eva Burelos, Senior, Chemistry;

Michael Stoxstill, Junior, Social Work

Clarksville: Cassie Smith, Sophomore,

MISSOURI

Jackson: **Kaitlyn Crites**, Junior, Speech Pathology/Audiology

MONTANA

Bozeman: **Cynthia Soriano**, Sophomore, Human

Great Falls: **Jennifer Lively**, Senior, Social Work; **Linda Portillo-Ramos**, Junior, Social Work

NEW JERSEY

Belleville: **Daphnee Jocelyn**, Senior, Social Work

Blackwood: **Kelley McHutchison**, Junior, Social Work

Cliffwood Beach: **Victoria Walsh**, Senior, Psychology

East Brunswick: **Jessica Seaboldt**, Sophomore, Social Work

Egg Harbor: **Lesley Adams**, Senior, Social Work

NEW YORK

Clayton: Dymphna Roman-Loring, Junior, Social

Cohocton: Marie Owens, Senior, Social Work
Fort Drum: Lauren O'Connor, Senior, Integrated

Ithaca: Jill Darsie, Senior, Social Work

NORTH CAROLINA

Arden: **Joanna Earls**, Junior, Social Work
Charlotte: **Tynan Ipaye**, Sophomore, Social Work

Columbus: Madison Cantrell, Senior, Social Work

Greenville: Rosetta Brown, Junior, Social Work

Lake Lure: **Leonard Ferguson**, Sophomore, Human Services

Lowell: **Kathryn Wilkey**, Senior, Social Work Raleigh: **Chantay Stanley**, Senior, Social Work

Roanoke Rapids: **Georgiana Couden**, Senior, Social Work

Sanford: **Joey Mosley**, Senior, Social Work

Yanceyville: **Donna Graves**, Senior, Social Work

Grand Forks: **Reagan Lange**, Senior, Social Work **OHIO**

Ashtabula: **Anthony Mucci**, Sophomore, Social

Avon Lake: **Chelsie Stewman**, Senior, Social Work Beavercrk TWP: **Julie Hernandez**, Senior, Social

Canton: **Lisa Cranston**, Junior, Social Work

Columbus: **Matthew James**, Senior, Social Work Coshocton: **Andrea Garrett**, Junior, Social Work

Dennison: Sara Kenosky, Junior, Social Work

Elyria: Elizabeth Williams, Senior, Social Work

Englewood: **Clifton Early,** Senior, Psychology

Medina: Marie Buddie, Senior, Social Work

Norwood: **Kathryn Roberts**, Junior, Social Work Piqua: **Tamara O'Toole**, Senior, Social Work

Sardinia: Amanda Clark, Senior, Integrated

Toledo: **Melisa Konesni**, Freshman, Human

OREGON

Hillsboro: Colette Klein, Junior, Social Work Medford: Lisa Gielow, Senior, Social Work

PENNSYLVANIA

Harrisburg: **Ashley Smith**, Junior, Social Work
Havertown: **Ashleigh Farrell**, Sophomore, Social Work

Lititz: Danielle Ream, Junior, Social Work

Marietta: Raquel Austin, Senior, Social Work

RHODE ISLAND Warwick: Ryan McLane, Junior, Social Work

Bellingham: **Lila Ruiz**, Junior, Theology: Emphasis in Pastoral Studies

Centerville: Michael Niemela, Senior, Social Work Kennewick: Brittney Roske, Junior, Social Work Mount Vernon: Mary Lechowicz, Junior, Social

Port Orchard: **Jessica Vanhouten**, Senior, Social Work

Renton: Charlene Schubert, Senior, Social Work Seatac: Tammera Ferguson, Junior, Social Work

WISCONSIN

WASHINGTON

Kenosha: Alisha Pournaras, Junior, Social Work Luck: Sarah Funk, Senior, Social Work

Madison: Erica Johnson, Junior, Social Work

Marinette: Brianna Armstrong, Junior, Social

New Franken: **Jenny Davis**, Junior, Social Work
West Salem: **Susan Stelter**, Sophomore, Social
Work

BRAZIL

Mogi Das Cruzes: **Turilo Duck**, Sophomore, Business

GERMANYWillich: Tom Roidl, Senior, Business

NIGERIA

DEKIA

Port Harcourt: **Preye Agbana**, Junior, Chemistry; **Millicent Akere**, Junior, Mathematics, Chemistry; **Deborah Ogulu**, Junior, Chemistry



Senior Women's Soccer player
Nicole Ralph (Owensboro, KY)
embraces fellow player Tori King
(Radcliff, KY) on senior night.
Senior players were escorted
by their family members, along
with a professor that has had a
profound impact on them during
their time at Brescia.



Best Offense - Brittany Herndon

Best Defense - Maddie Crumbaker

100% Award - Kaitlyn Crites and Nicole Ralph (Owensboro, KY)

Most Improved - Alexa Nicholas

Coaches' Award - Laura Estridge, Eva Burelos, Nicole Ralph (Owensboro, KY) and Lauren Grant.



The 2015 Women's Tennis team finished their season with a 5-6 record.



The Women's Soccer Team celebrated at their season ending soccer banquet with nearly 60 people in attendance. Recognition awards based on seasonal performance were presented to players.

You can find rosters, schedules, and daily news stories on the Bearcats by visiting

WWW.BRESCIABEARCATS.COM

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KIAC ALL CONFERENCE

WOMEN'S TENNIS

Dakota Durrett (Paducah, KY) - 1st Team

Tarsila Duck (Mogi das Cruzes, SP Brazil) - 1st Team

MEN'S SOCCE

Ricardo Majano (La Union, El Salvador) - 2nd Team **Jacob Stanley** (Owensboro, KY) - 2nd Team

VOLLEYBALL

Alisha McBride (Henderson, KY) - 2nd Team

2015 KIAC CHAMPIONS OF CHARACTER

WOMEN'S TENNIS

Dakota Durrett (Paducah, KY)

MEN'S SOCCER

Chris Krawiec (Central City, KY)

VOLLEYBALL

Paige Mingus (Hardinsburg, KY)

WOMEN'S SOCCER

Nicole Ralph (Owensboro, KY)

CROSS COUNTRY MEN AND WOMEN

Brent Crawford (Tell City, IN)

Makenzie Jackson (Owensboro, KY)



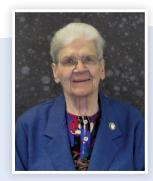
The Men's Soccer team pauses for a photo during travel for an away game.



The Men's Soccer team celebrating their first season victory.

URSULINE SISTERS WITH BRESCIA TIES CELEBRATING ANNIVERSARIES

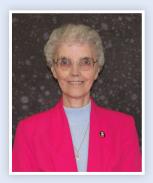
Nineteen Ursuline Sisters of Mount Saint Joseph celebrated jubilees of religious profession in 2015, including 15 who graduated from Brescia, a few of whom ministered at Brescia.



Sister Philomena Cox, a native of Owensboro, is celebrating 70 years as an Ursuline Sister. She earned a bachelor's in education from Brescia in 1965. She was a teacher or principal from 1947 to 1976 in Kentucky. She was director of building services at Brescia from 1976-91. She ministered at the Motherhouse from 1991 until her retirement in 2008. She is retired at the Motherhouse where she is active in the Powerhouse of Prayer.



Sister Marie Brenda Vowels, a native of Louisville, is celebrating 70 years. She earned her bachelor's in education from Brescia in 1965. She was a teacher or principal in Kentucky and New Mexico from 1947 to 1978, then worked in parish ministry and outreach from 1978 to 1998. She is retired at the Motherhouse where she is active in the Powerhouse of Prayer.



Sister Margaret Marie Greenwell, a native of New Haven, Ky., is celebrating 60 years. She earned a bachelor's in education at Brescia in 1969 and a master's degree from Western Kentucky University in 1973. She served as principal at schools in Paducah and Morganfield. Her 35 years of teaching also included ministry in Vine Grove and Louisville. She was also a parish minister in Morganfield. She served as the receptionist at the Sister Visitor Center (Catholic Charities) in Louisville from 1993 until she retired in 2015



Sister Marie Michael Hayden is celebrating 60 years. The Owensboro native earned a bachelor's degree in history at Brescia in 1964 and a master's degree in religious education from The Catholic University of America in 1972. She was director of religious education for the Diocese of Owensboro, 1979-87. She had the same role as assistant director for the Diocese of Lincoln, Neb., 1964-79. Sister Marie Michael taught in the Archdiocese of Louisville and served elsewhere in pastoral ministry. She is retired at the Motherhouse where she is active in the Powerhouse of Prayer.



Sister Francis Louise Johnson is celebrating 60 years. She was born in Waverly and grew up in Mayfield. She earned a bachelor's at Brescia in 1967 and a master's degree at Western Kentucky University. She taught in many schools in the Louisville area and in Nebraska, Missouri and New Mexico. She was a pastoral associate in Pewee Valley and a parish minister in Paducah. Since 2003, she has been coordinator of the Guest House at Mount Saint Joseph.



Sister Catherine Marie Lauterwasser is celebrating 60 years. The Owensboro native earned a bachelor's degree in history at Brescia in 1968 and a master's degree in music from The Catholic University of America in 1978. She served at Mount Saint Joseph Academy, Maple Mount, as music teacher (1973-79) and principal (1980-83). She was a teacher at Trinity High School, Whitesville (1979-80) and a teacher/music instructor at Mary Carrico School, Knottsville (1983-98). She also taught in Hardinsburg, Louisville, Nebraska and Missouri. At the Motherhouse, she assisted in archives (1998-2006). local community life (2005-2010) and has been the treasurer since 2008.



Sister Teresa Riley is celebrating 60 years. The Mayfield native earned a bachelor's from Brescia in elementary education in 1967 and a master's in elementary education from Western Kentucky University in 1973. She was a teacher for many years, including in Owensboro at Precious Blood School (1967-69) and Owensboro Catholic High School (2000). She served at Brescia as office manager for admissions (1978-80) and director of Student Support Services (1986-2000). Since 2011 has served in outreach ministry in Benton, Ky.



Sister Marietta Wethington is celebrating 60 years. The Clementsville native earned a bachelor's in elementary education from Brescia in 1967 and a master's from Xavier University in 1972. She was a teacher in Owensboro at Immaculate School (1957-64) and St. Pius X School (1971-75) as well as elsewhere in Kentucky and Missouri. She was elected three times as a councilor on the Ursuline leadership Council (1984-92, 2000-2004), and served in various Motherhouse ministries dealing with formation and Ursuline Partnerships. She is retired at the Motherhouse and active in the Powerhouse



Sister Marie Joseph Coomes is celebrating 50 years. The St. Lawrence native is a 1971 graduate of Brescia with a degree in education, and earned a master's at Western Kentucky University in 1980. She has ministered in Kentucky as a teacher, in the Motherhouse infirmary and in housekeeping at the Mount Saint Joseph Prayer House. She served in the senior companion program with Audubon Area Community Services in Owensboro (2006-13). She is currently serving in housekeeping, presence and support for the Ursuline Sisters at 514 St. Ann St. in



Sister Michael Marie Friedman is celebrating 50 years. The Glennonville, Mo., native is a 1969 graduate of Brescia with a bachelor's degree in education. She earned her master's from Murray State University in 1978. Her entire career has been in education in eight Kentucky schools. She retired in 2015 after 25 years as principal of St. James Catholic Regional School in Elizabethtown. She now serves as a pastoral outreach minister in Grand Rivers, Ky., and is a Catholic presence in Livingston County.



Sister Maureen Griner is celebrating 50 years. The Louisville native earned a bachelor's degree in music education from Brescia in 1969. She also completed a master's in music from University of Nebraska-Lincoln in 1979, and a master's in liturgical studies from the University of Notre Dame in 1987. Sister Maureen ministered at Brescia College as choral director (1979-80), music education instructor (1979-85) and music and liturgy consultant (1991-92). She was a music teacher in Missouri and Nebraska and served the Ursuline community as director of novices and liturgist (1980-85) and as an elected member of the leadership Council (2004-2010). Since 2006 she has led the Dorothy Day House of Hospitality in Memphis, Tenn., as co-director (2006-2010) and then director (2010 to present).



Sister Barbara Jean Head is celebrating 50 years. The New Haven, Ky., native graduated from Brescia in 1969 with a bachelor's degree in math. She also earned a master's degree in education from Western Kentucky University and a master's degree in business administration for not-for-profits from the University of Notre Dame. She was a teacher and principal in Kentucky for 20 years. She was treasurer and business administrator for the Ursuline Sisters (1989-2004) and was elected to serve on the Ursuline leadership Council (2004-2010). Since 2005 she has served as senior accountant at Brescia.



Sister Mary Henning is celebrating 50 years. The Axtel native is a 1969 graduate of Brescia with a degree in education. She also earned a degree in music from St. Mary of the Woods College, Terre Haute, Ind. (1978) and a master's in music from Northwestern University in 1979. In addition, she earned a diploma in Liturgy from Saint Joseph's College, Rensselaer, Ind., in 1998. She was an associate professor of music at Brescia from 1981-95, and 1997-2013, and also taught music lessons. She was a teacher in Louisville and at Mount Saint Joseph Academy, and a music minister at Blessed Mother Parish, Owensboro. Since 2013 she has served as director of worship and liturgy at the Motherhouse, and as director of postulants.



Sister Ann McGrew is celebrating 50 years. The Clarkson native graduated from Brescia in 1971 with a degree in elementary education. She graduated from Loyola University in 1993 with a master's degree in religious studies. Sister Ann served multiple roles at Brescia, including supervisor of the Women's Discernment House (2001-2005), campus minister (2002-03) and coordinator of the spiritual component of the ministry formation program (2003-2005). She has served as a teacher, a parish minister and in multiple roles with her Ursuline community at Maple Mount. Since 2010 she has been the director of the Mount Saint Joseph Conference and Retreat Center.



Sister Emma Anne Munsterman is celebrating 50 years. The Mount Vernon, Ind., native earned a bachelor's degree in education from Brescia in 1971, and a master's in education from Western Kentucky University in 1977. She was a teacher in Kentucky from 1968-89, and then became assistant local superior and director of transportation at the Ursuline Motherhouse (1989-92) and secretary to the leadership Council (1992-96). She has been a licensed massage therapist and certified natural health practitioner since 1996, currently providing care in Louisville and to the Sisters of Charity at Naturath Ker.

HONORS COLLEGE EXTENDS LEARNING BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

The Brescia University Honors College provides the perfect environment for academic excellence and graduate school preparation. Students participate in campus activities and leadership opportunities, as well as a unique learning experience that extends well beyond the classroom. This year, Honors College students had the opportunity to visit three cities that all offered distinctive experiences.

Music 150, Arts and Human Experience is course that is designed to look at the past, present and future of art and how it has framed and changed humanity. Honors College Students had the opportunity to witness this first hand with their trip to Nashville. They visited staples of a city seeped in artistic culture including the Country Music Hall of Fame, the Parthenon, Music Row and the Ryman Auditorium.

Students are immersed in the basic principles of physical science and how they apply to our world in Physics 150, Great Ideas in Science. But the Honors students visit to Oak Ridge National Laboratory in Knoxville allowed them to see the location where the atom bomb was developed. It is home to one of the world's largest supercomputers and is the leader in neutron science and nuclear energy research.

Theology 250, Women and the Bible, is a course that introduces students to both the Old and New Testament and the various stories of women found there. Through the lens of these women's stories, students learn the basic principles for biblical interpretation and gain a generalized knowledge of biblical history. But what their trip to Chicago offered them was a glimpse into intricate pieces of art that bring the stories Bible to life at the Art Institute of Chicago and Holy Name Chicago Archdiocesan Catholic Cathedral. The students also visited Willis Tower, Millenium Park, the Navy Pier, Ghiradelli's, and Giordano's Chicago Pizza for a true Chicago experience.



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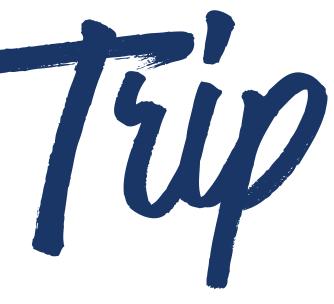
"What I took away from the Nashville trip was a better understanding of the ways in which people have expressed themselves throughout history. I have an increased appreciation for art, as it is one of the only mediums by which humans have always expressed their unique feelings and desires." -Dakota Barron



Students learn about the historical impact of the work at the Oak Ridge National Laboratory.







"Nashville is a place that is pretty close to home for me but, for some reason, I had never taken the time to really enjoy it until our Honors trip. My favorite sight was the Parthenon. I have always been fascinated by the ancient Greek civilization, and this replica of the structure presented the sort of complex simplicity that the Greeks always managed to create. The trip was a valuable contribution to our learning process and provided an atmosphere that promoted a bond between the different grades and personalities within the class." - Alex Satterfield

"As a faculty member that accompanied this trip, I can say that visiting the Oak Ridge National Laboratory was a tremendous opportunity for our students. One of the highlights was seeing one of the nuclear reactors involved in developing the atom bomb. Beyond visiting things of historical significance, students were able to experience some cutting-edge technology as well." - Dr. Allen Gehring



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Student pose in front of the hallowed walls of the Ryman Auditorium, country music sacred grounds.



Students and faculty take in the Oak Ridge National Laboratory facility in Knoxville.



Students take in the local cuisine of Nashville before continuing on their journey of the Country Music Capital.



ACCULTY NEWS

Rebecca Hamlin Green, Assistant Professor of Art, participated in the Fantasy Forest Art Competition in Battle Creek, Michigan. The ash grove at the Leila Arboretum was hit by the emerald ash borer and was killed. The arboretum hosted an art competition to transform the dead tree trunks into sculptures. Rebecca created over 50 ceramic birds, representing native bird species of the region, and attached them to the tree. The piece was entitled "Family Tree" and is expected to be on display for several years.

Jacob Adler, Ph.D, Assistant Professor of Biology, was mentored by some of the top leaders in active learning classroom design and pedagogy in biology with the BERG group at the University of Washington in Seattle. He helped coordinate the walk for Owensboro Making Strides Against Breast Cancer which drew thousands of participants in support of raising funds for ACS to help fund various programs locally to support cancer patients and national research efforts. He was also sponsored by Brescia University and received an external grant from ASM to travel to Washington, DC to be part of the 2015 cohort of Biology Scholars in Assessment. Dr. Adler learned best practices in a team approach and created an entire unit from scratch in one week that will function in the spring Molecular Cellular Biology.

Allen Gehring Jr., Ph.D, Assistant Professor of Philoophy, published a journal article "Truthmaking, Truthbearers and Divine Simplicity" in Philosophia Christi. He also published a review of Debating Christian Theism (Oxford 2013) in Southeastern Theological Review. Dr. Gehring also presented a paper at the joint meeting of the Indiana Philosophical Association and the Kentucky Philosophical Association in 2015, as well as at the Tennessee Philosophical Association. He was the recipient of the Alpha Chi and Delta Epsilon Sigma Teaching Excellence Award in spring 2015.

David Stratton, Professor of Art, created a 150th Anniversary logo for the Owensboro Fire Department that was chosen to commemorate their milestone.



Conrad Toepfer, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Biology, was named a National Academies Education Mentor in the Life Sciences for the 2015/2016 academic year. This honor is bestowed in recognition of Dr. Toepfer's service as facilitator for participants at the 2015 National Academics Gulf Coast Summer Institute on Undergraduate Education that was held July 20-24, 2015 at Louisiana State University.



NEW FACULTY

BRESCIA WELCOMES NEW FACULTY AND STAFF MEMBERS

We were privileged to welcome the following new faculty and staff members to the Brescia family during the summer and fall 2015 semester.

Rachel Besing, Associate Professor of Psychology

Kellie Boone, Housekeeping

Walter Bosse, Assistant Professor of English

Suzanne Bowling, Assistant Professor of Speech Pathology/Audiology

Kathy Clary, Instructor of History

Andrew Dickson, Head Men's Baseball Coach

Jamie Edmonds, Social Work Academic Advisor

Morgan Fields, Assistant Professor of Social Work

Erin Gale, Head Men's and Women's Track and Field/Cross Country Coach

Rebecca Hamlin Green, Assistant Professor of Art

Lisa Gulino, Assistant Professor of Theology

Ashley Holland, Assistant Professor of Education – Chair of School of Education

Sarah Hollman, Human Resources Assistant

Sarah Jackson, Director of Career Services

Patsy Masterson, Housekeeping

Dwight Ottman, Instructor of Mathematics

Scott Shreve, Visiting Professor of Biology

Thomas Sabetta, Director of the Ursuline Center for Teaching and Learning

Will Van Nostrand, Head Men's Soccer Coach



A two-time All-American soccer player and former coach at Brescia University, Abel is currently serving as goalkeeper coach for the U.S. Women's National Team.

During his youth soccer years, Abel was on the books at Everton FC from 1994-97. He also played with Stockport County FC from 1997-1999 before coming to the USA to attend college at Lindsey Wilson in Colombia, Kentucky. He was a NAIA All-American at Lindsey Wilson and the 1999 NAIA National Tournament MVP, leading the Blue Raiders to the national championship.

In 2001, he returned to England for half a year at Chester City FC, but then returned to college, this time at Brescia University where he was once again an NAIA All-American and the two-time Kentucky Intercollegiate Athletic Association Player of the Year.

In 2004, Abel started his coaching career as a graduate assistant at his alma mater Brescia University in Owensboro, Kentucky. He eventually went on to work three years at the University of Nevada as the goalkeepers coach from 2005-2007.

He returned to Norman in 2012 to serve as an assistant after serving as the OU goalkeeper coach during the 2008 and 2009 seasons. During the 2010 and 2011 campaigns, Abel worked with the current Sooner head coach Matt Potter at Washington State.

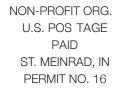
Abel served three seasons as a member of the University of Oklahoma Women's Soccer staff and was promoted to associate head coach during the 2013 offseason.

Graeme Abel joined U.S. head coach Jill Ellis staff as the goalkeeper coach in March of 2015. Abel has worked extensively with the USA's youth Women's National Teams and has previously helped train the senior team goalkeepers in several camps.

Abel has a USSF "B" Coaching License and NSCAA Advanced National Diploma. He currently resides in Norman, Oklahoma, with his wife Katie and his one-year old son, Kian.

DR. DENNIS J. PRESTON '89

Dr. Dennis J. Preston '89 is a pastor of the Mt. Zion Cumberland Presbyterian Church and has published poems in The Lumberyard, Trajectory, the anthology, This Wretched Vessel, and his first book of poetry, In the Ash Heap: Poems From the Book of Job. He is retired from teaching and is a native of Kentucky currently residing in Owensboro.





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New Degree Frogram

Brescia announces online master of social work degree program

In the fall 2015 semester, Brescia University announced the addition of a Along with many other benefits, the flexibility of the online program Master of Social Work (MSW) degree to its offering of BUonline programs, the school's online learning option. The program will join the current Bachelor of Social Work (BSW) online and traditional programs that are offered at the University. Brescia University is the only independent institution in the region to offer this program in an online format.

The first cohort of the program will be admitted in Fall 2016, with a maximum number of 12 participants. Details on the program are still being finalized.

"This is a huge opportunity for us," stated Chris Houk, Vice President for Enrollment Management and Executive Director for Brescia University Online. "Social Work continues to be one of our destination programs here at Brescia and we currently have more than 500 students enrolled in our undergraduate program. With the addition of a Master of Social Work option online, we look forward to continuing to grow our online population of students."

will allow those who are interested in earning their Master's Degree in Social Work to do so in a convenient and affordable way that meets each individual's needs.

"The Social Work program is a living testament of the Brescia Difference," stated Father Larry Hostetter, Brescia University President. "Our mission as a university focuses on providing a quality education to our students in the liberal arts tradition which shapes their mind, body and soul. The Social Work program produces graduates every year that go on to make a difference in their communities, in the lives of others and in the world. We are so proud of our graduates and we looks forward to adding the Master of Social Work program that will allow us to educate more servant leaders and expand the difference we are making."

Students interested in learning more about the Master of Social Work online program are encouraged to visit www.brescia.edu.