



The *Dimensions* of a DUQUESNE EDUCATION



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INTRODUCTION

As the only Catholic, Spiritan university in the world, Duquesne University's mission and values are shaped by our unique identity and heritage. Reflecting our emphasis on holistic student development, the Dimensions of a Duquesne Education serve as an organizing framework for assessment by linking the University mission statement to outcomes in Academic Affairs and Student Life. Assessment activities enable us to document the success of our students and faculty, and to demonstrate our thoughtful and intentional approach to fulfilling the aims of our mission to our stakeholders. Integrity between our mission, our student experiences, and our outcomes truly results in an Education for the Mind, Heart, and Spirit.

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DIMENSIONS	ACADEMIC COMPONENTS	STUDENT LIFE COMPONENTS
Understanding and Knowledge	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understand the nature of the human experience through the lens of liberal arts, creative arts, and sciences Know essential ideas, skills, and methodologies required by specific disciplines 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understand the nature of the human experience through the lens of engagement on campus and in the community Draw parallels between academic knowledge and co-curricular engagement Develop essential ideas, skills, and methodologies for life management, civic engagement, and interpersonal effectiveness
Intellectual Inquiry and Communication	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Demonstrate effective research and communication skills Apply critical thinking and problem-solving skills Demonstrate intellectual curiosity Exhibit dedication to continuous growth and to excellence 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Demonstrate effective intrapersonal and interpersonal communication skills Apply critical thinking and problem-solving skills in real-world settings Demonstrate intellectual curiosity Exhibit dedication to continuous growth and to excellence Participate in campus and community programming which extends learning opportunities
Ethical, Moral, and Spiritual Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recognize the importance of faith and spiritual values Apply ethical, moral and spiritual principles in making decisions and interacting with others Practice honesty and integrity in personal, academic, and professional domains Respect the dignity of all persons 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recognize the importance of faith and spiritual values Apply ethical, moral and spiritual principles in making decisions and interacting with others Practice honesty and integrity in personal, academic, and professional domains Respect the dignity of all persons Actively embrace opportunities to understand social justice and root causes of social concerns
Diversity and Global Mindfulness	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Demonstrate appreciation of diverse cultures, religions, and persons Learn from diverse schools of thought and be open to new ideas and perspectives Appreciate the importance of community in local and global contexts Recognize the individual's potential to effect change in organizations, environments, and society at large 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Demonstrate appreciation of diverse cultures, religions, and persons Learn from diverse schools of thought and be open to new ideas and perspectives Appreciate the importance of community in local and global contexts Recognize the individual's potential to effect change in organizations, environments, and society at large Cultivate awareness of diversity and also cultural competencies
Leadership and Service	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Demonstrate the academic and professional expertise needed to be leaders Understand the moral and ethical framework necessary to be a just leader Exhibit leadership and teamwork skills Promote social justice Demonstrate a spirit of service, social responsibility, and personal sense of stewardship for the community 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Demonstrate leadership in social, service, and community settings Understand the moral and ethical framework necessary to be a just leader Exhibit leadership and teamwork skills Promote social justice Demonstrate a spirit of service, social responsibility, and personal sense of stewardship for the community



ABOUT DUQUESNE UNIVERSITY

Founded in 1878, Duquesne is consistently ranked among the nation's top Catholic universities for its award-winning faculty and tradition of academic excellence. The University is nationally ranked by U.S. News and World Report and the Princeton Review for its rich academic programs in 10 schools of study for 10,000-plus graduate and undergraduate students, and by the Washington Monthly for service and contributing to students' social mobility. Duquesne is a member of the U.S. President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll with Distinction for its contributions to Pittsburgh and communities around the globe. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the Princeton Review's Guide to Green Colleges acknowledge Duquesne's commitment to sustainability.

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