

History of the Center

The Center for Spiritan Studies was founded in 2005 as a collaborative venture of Duquesne University and the Congregation of the Holy Spirit to foster research on Spiritan history, tradition and spirituality, as well as to disseminate the results throughout the Congregation, the University and the general public.

The rich legacy of the Spiritan tradition lies at the very heart of Duquesne University and forms its guiding principles and practical ethos.

■ Goals of the Center

- Prepare a new generation of experts in Spiritan history and spirituality.
- Encourage the inculturation of the Spiritan charism where the Congregation is rapidly expanding, particularly in Asia, Africa, and Latin America.
- Develop publications and other appropriate materials to train professed Spiritans and Spiritan Lay Associates for contemporary mission.
- Organize workshops and seminars to ensure the continuity of the Spiritan ethos in educational institutions founded by Spiritans.
- Promote Spiritan spirituality in the contemporary world.

■ Resources of the Center

- The Center, along with the Gumberg Library, created and continues to develop the online Spiritan Collection, a treasure of publications on Spiritan founders, history, and spirituality. For more information, see Spiritan Collection.

Access these resources at
dsc.duq.edu/spiritan-collection.

- The Ed Supple Room housed on the third floor of the Gumberg Library is a research space on campus and a mini Spiritan library.
- Spiritan Horizons, a scholarly annual journal, publishes articles that further research on Spiritan tradition and spirituality, including the ethos of Spiritan education and pedagogy.
- Access *Spiritan Horizons* in pdf at dsc.duq.edu/spiritan-horizons.
- The Center houses web pages resources on the Holy Spirit for the Congregation's membership. Presently there are six sections: *Libermann and the Holy Spirit*; *Libermann, the Spiritual Guide writing for our times*; *Novenas to the Holy Spirit*; *Lectures on the Holy Spirit*; *Reflections on the Holy Spirit*; *Spiritans Write*. New material is added as it becomes available. Access these resources at spiritanspirituality.com.
- Other publications of Spiritan or Duquesne interest.

■ Programs of the Center

- The Spiritan Scholar program is a year of research in Spiritan tradition and spirituality.
- International Essay Competitions for Spiritans in formation worldwide and others.
- Workshops for Spiritan formators worldwide.
- Roundtable meetings on Spiritan ethos of education.
- Conferences on Topics of Spiritan interest.
- Translation and/or Publication of seminal Spiritan Works.