DEPAUL UNIVERSITY MISSION

The DePaul University Mission Statement

As an innovative Catholic, Vincentian university anchored in the global city of Chicago, DePaul supports the integral human development of its students. The university does so through its commitment to outstanding teaching, academic excellence, real world experience, community engagement, and systemic change. DePaul prepares graduates to be successful in their chosen fields and agents of transformation throughout their lives.

Guided by an ethic of Vincentian personalism and professionalism , DePaul compassionately upholds the dignity of all members of its diverse, multi-faith, and inclusive community. Through education and research, the university addresses the great questions of our day, promoting peaceful, just, and equitable solutions to social and environmental challenges. Since its founding in 1898, DePaul University has remained dedicated to making education accessible to all, with special attention to including underserved and underrepresented communities.

Adopted by the Board of Trustees on March 4, 2021

This mission statement embodies the principal purposes of DePaul University. As such it is the nexus between past, present and future; the criterion against which plans are formulated and major decisions made; the bond which unites faculty, students, staff, alumni, and trustees as an academic community. Our mission is more fully expressed through both the Mission Statement (https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Foffices.depaul.edu%2Fmission-ministry%2Fabout%2FPages%2Fmission.aspx&data=05%7C02%7Cj.bandera%40depaul.edu%7C9edeea0a1a5249d0f2a108dc542ed151%7C750d3a3f1f464da28a647605e75ea2f9%7C0%7C0%7C638477807365591375%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=f83qYtUuvTS%2FFrATpNiepnWJdf42agLELwVfzOpu5r8%3D&reserved=0) and its accompanying Distinguishing Characteristics, Core values, and Commitments (https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Foffices.depaul.edu%2Fmission-ministry%2Fabout%2FDocuments%2FDePaul%2520Mission%2520Statement%2520Supporting%2520Document%252003_17_2021.pdf&data=05%7C02%7Cj.bandera%40depaul.edu%7C9edeea0a1a5249d0f2a108dc542ed151%7C750d3a3f1f464da28a647605e75ea2f9%7C0%7C0%7C638477807365604568%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=cBTyF67qq8ihbn2B%2FaX0vFIBEoRrMkDLGgsMVXURpN8%3D&reserved=0), which all are encouraged to read.

For mission-related programming and services including volunteer service opportunities, spiritual/ religious support, prayer and worship services (including mass, Jumu'ah, and Shabbat services), diverse student religious organizations, pastoral care, and Vincentian formation, please contact the Division of Mission and Ministry (https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Foffices.depaul.edu%2Fmission-ministry%2FPages%2Fdefault.aspx&data=05%7C02%7Cj.bandera%40depaul.edu%7C9edeea0a1a5249d0f2a108dc542ed151%7C750d3a3f1f464da28a647605e75ea2f9%7C0%7C0%7C638477807365611459%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=gQUMKISGmyqO9uXHOi9f1SmsX1%2BN%2BQ0gHxDZt9j7yLc%3D&reserved=0).