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A Message from the Senior Vice President

I am pleased to present this celebration and reflection of the past year in the Division of Student Affairs at Loyola Marymount University. As student affairs professionals, we remain committed to the holistic development of all students. We have the privilege and honor of walking with students on their journey as they become their best selves.

While there are always new and exciting programs being developed, at the heart of our work in the Division of Student Affairs is the responsibility of responding to the needs of our students. As part of the Magis, we are always looking for ways to make LMU a more inclusive campus and to increase access for all students. In order to accomplish this, we continue to focus on diversity and pluralism across the Division’s departments, programs, services and events.

We are proud to have launched multiple new programs this year working toward our goals of leadership, interculturalism and globalization. The Lingdao Fellows Program engaged student leaders in an immersive global leadership experience in Beijing, China. The Matteo Ricci Scholars program provided talented Chinese international students with on-campus internships. More than 1,800 students participated in the newest LMU CARES session, Courageous Conversations, to help develop the skills necessary to engage in intercultural dialogue and controversy with civility.

Our Office for International Students and Scholars facilitated LMU’s co-sponsorship of the NAFSA: Association of International Educators International Conference. The OISS staff coordinated with several campus partners to host two global colloquia on the Loyola Law School campus and the international AJCU meeting on LMU’s campus. In total, 10,000 attendees from more than 100 countries participated.
Additionally, the Division of Student Affairs had an illustrious year as many of our programs contributed to LMU receiving national recognition. In 2017, LMU ranked #3 in Best Colleges for Veterans within their institutional category by *U.S. News and World Report*. LMU ranked #8 among the nation’s top colleges nationwide for having Students Most Engaged in Community Service in the Princeton Review’s, “The Best 382 Colleges: 2018 Edition.” Our Student Media outlets also received multiple honors in their field. *The Los Angeles Loyolan* received Columbia Scholastic Press Association’s Silver Crown Award and *The Tower Yearbook* earned the Columbia Scholastic Press Association Gold Crown Award, making LMU the only university in the nation to win a Gold Crown in both 2016 and 2017. Also, the Intercultural Facilitator Program has once again been recognized with multiple awards. In 2016-17, the program received the American Colleges Personnel Association’s Voices of Inclusion medallion, the National Association for Campus Activities George Luis Sedano Outstanding Multicultural Program award, and the Association for Student Affairs at Catholic Colleges and Universities’ Diversity & Inclusion award.

These impressive accomplishments along with many others from across the Division exemplify the outstanding efforts of our students and staff. In the pages ahead, we are happy to highlight these achievements, as well as the ongoing work and special initiatives the Division of Student Affairs provides at LMU.

Let this be a testament to the brilliance of our students and the hope they provide us with each passing year. May our work be the foundation and stepping stone for greater success and innovation for the year to come.

Go Lions!

**Lane Bove, Ed.D.**
Senior Vice President for Student Affairs
Loyola Marymount University
In the belief that the glory of God is a human being fully alive, the Division of Student Affairs supports the University mission through programs and services designed to advance student learning.
The **LMU EXP** guides students in finding value throughout their journey at Loyola Marymount University. At the core of the LMU EXP are five pillars that inspire students to integrate knowledge with action so they become leaders that transform the world.

**Integrate Mind, Body & Spirit**
Demonstrate transformative growth and develop as whole persons through the integration of mind, body and spirit.

**Commit to Service & Justice**
Be socially responsible citizens committed to building a more just world.

**Become a Global Citizen**
Value the diversity of the human experience and commit to the practice of interculturalism to make meaningful contributions as citizens of the global community.

**Practice Ignatian Values**
Make decisions congruent with their personal beliefs, values and faith through continuous reflection and discernment.

**Live a Life of Purpose**
Lead a life where their greatest passion meets the world’s greatest need.
LMU CARES

LMU Campus Awareness Resource Education Services (CARES) continued to provide robust education on topics including consent, bystander intervention, intercultural dialogue and support services. It also coordinated training for faculty and staff on reporting requirements and university policies. In 2016-17, LMU CARES trained 8,254 students across 398 themed educational sessions. LMU CARES also trained 123 faculty and staff members across 10 sessions. In addition, LMU CARES 3.0 launched to include a new session focused on inclusivity, diversity and respect. Approximately 99% of all freshman and first-year transfer students completed all three LMU CARES modules in the first six weeks of the fall semester.

MUSLIM STUDENT LIFE

CELEBRATING IDENTITY

In 2016-17, the Division of Student Affairs created the Muslim Student Life office as a connection point for Muslim students on campus. The office provides opportunities for collaboration and growth through religious, cultural, intellectual and social justice programming while creating a community in which Muslim students can celebrate their Muslim identity.

Muslim Student Life also seeks to build bridges between all faith-based communities at LMU. Signature programs include Friday prayer services and community dinners.

COMMUNITY REFLECTION SPACE

As a part of the creation of Muslim Student Life, Student Affairs also built a Community Reflection Space designated for student prayer and meditation. Students are free to use the space at any time and Muslim Student Life hosts Friday prayer services weekly during the school year.
THE PERFECT GAME

Lions baseball’s Cory Abbott pitched the first perfect game in LMU and West Coast Conference history and was the first at the Division I level in 2017. Abbott was also named WCC Pitcher of the Week and National Pitcher of the Week by Collegiate Baseball, NCBWA and Perfect Game.

NCAA GRADUATION SUCCESS RATE

Lions varsity student-athletes were academically successful in 2016-17. LMU earned a NCAA Graduation Success Rate (GSR) of 93% for the 2016-17 report reflecting the 2009 cohort. Not only is this 7% greater than the NCAA average of 86%, but the rate exceeded LMU’s previous best from 2015-16. Seven individual programs earned a perfect 100% in the GSR, including men’s golf, men’s and women’s water polo, women’s rowing, women’s swimming, women’s tennis and women’s track. Of the 24 Division I schools in California, LMU’s rate of 93% was second overall behind Stanford. The West Coast Conference showed well in the GSR standings, as the Lions were one of six member schools at or above 90%.

BY THE NUMBERS

2,962 students served by Student Health Services through 7,661 appointments

8,254 students and 123 faculty and staff members trained by LMU CARES

1,181 students served by Student Psychological Services through 8,660 direct service hours

233,153 visits to the Burns Recreation Center by 6,344 students, faculty and staff members

150+ graduate students attended the inaugural Grad Gala

769 participants in the FitWell Center’s fitness programs and classes

I will forever be grateful for the relationship I have been able to build with my friends, teammates, coaches, faculty and staff members. All of these relationships have shaped my whole experience, helped me grow, and will continue to influence me beyond my years at LMU.

PETR HERMAN ’18
Men’s Basketball
ADVOCACY TEACH-IN

More than 170 students took part in the Center for Service and Action’s Advocacy Teach-In which provided tools for students to effectively engage in advocacy or civic engagement. The teach-in included five workshops from several community organizations and keynote speaker Marcos Gonzales S.J. and Jose Arellano of Homeboy Industries.

ASLMU ELECTIONS

In 2017, 60.48% of LMU students voted in the Associated Students of Loyola Marymount University (ASLMU) elections. It was the third year in a row that voter turnout exceeded 50% of the undergraduate student body.

LET YOUR VOTE ROAR

ASLMU launched the Let Your Vote Roar campaign, which encouraged students to participate in the national presidential election. Campaign activities included voter registration, campus-wide debate watch parties and a R.O.A.R. Rally.

PRINCETON REVIEW

Loyola Marymount University ranked #8 among the nation’s top colleges nationwide for having Students Most Engaged in Community Service in the Princeton Review’s "Best 382 Colleges: 2018 Edition."

COMMIT TO SERVICE & JUSTICE

Being in a service organization at LMU has helped me commit to service by providing a space to learn about the social justice that calls for service. From discussions in meeting to reflections, the mix of talking about service with social justice helps to not only educate myself but also provide a call to action that reminds me why service is so important.

JARED GENCARELLA ’19
Magis Service Organization
IGNATIAN SERVICE CORPS

CONTINUING TO SERVE

The second ever cohort of the Ignatian Service Corps of Los Angeles (ISC) completed the program in June 2017. The third cohort—including eight LMU, Boston College and University of Notre Dame graduates—began its service in July 2017.

ISC, created by the Center for Service and Action in 2014, is a post-graduate volunteer program that brings together recent graduates to serve for 11 months as full-time volunteers in the Los Angeles area. The goal of ISC is to foster personal and professional growth for its volunteers through the program’s five tenets: social justice engagement at their placements, Ignatian spirituality, simplicity, community and career and professional development.

BY THE NUMBERS

359 student and community volunteers and 200 athletes participated in this year’s Special Games

125 students and 24 faculty and staff members participated in Alternative Break trips

256 students nominated and 54 students recognized for outstanding service and leadership

841 students participated in 38 community-based learning courses, contributing 12,615 hours of service

1,677 service hours completed by the 333 members of LMU’s 9 service organizations
GROWTH OF OISS

In 2016-17, Office for International Students & Scholars (OISS) made significant strides to build capacity to serve LMU’s 1,127 international students, 87 domestic students abroad, 111 sponsored students, short-term international scholars and undergraduate exchange students.

NAFSA: ASSOCIATION OF INTERNATIONAL EDUCATORS INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

OISS facilitated LMU’s co-sponsorship of the 2017 NAFSA: Association of International Educators International Conference. OISS coordinated with campus partners to host two global colloquia held on the Loyola Law School campus, a talk from President Snyder, LMU video screenings and a presentation on LMU’s CASA program. In addition to events, LMU hosted the international AJCU meeting on our campus and a large delegation from Uruguay. In total, 10,000 attendees from more than 100 countries participated.

INTERCULTURAL FACILITATORS

CREATING CONVERSATION

The Intercultural Facilitator Program was again recognized with multiple awards for its meaningful dialogues about race, culture, gender, class and other issues related to the intercultural experience at Loyola Marymount University.

In 2016-17, the program earned the American Colleges Personnel Association’s Voices of Inclusion medallion, the National Association for Campus Activities George Luis Sedano Outstanding Multicultural Program Award and the Association for Student Affairs at Catholic Colleges and Universities’ Diversity & Inclusion award.
**ALMA DEL BARRIO SALSA FESTIVAL**

In July 2016, KXLU and Alma del Barrio hosted the third annual Salsa Festival. More than 2,000 people attended the on-campus event, which featured performances by five champions of the Los Angeles salsa scene including headliners La Charanga Cubana, Las Chikas, Conganas, Os Zagueiros, and Conjunto Costazul. DJ sets, salsa demonstrations, and food trucks added to the festival's aesthetic. Additionally, the entire day of music was broadcasted live on KXLU. The Salsa Festival has become a KXLU tradition that brings together various communities including students, staff, faculty, listeners, neighbors and salseros with life-giving music.

**FIRST AMENDMENT WEEK**

The Los Angeles Loyolan, together with ASLMU, hosted the 15th annual First Amendment Week. First Amendment Week was designed to educate LMU students on the five First Amendment freedoms. The 2016 program featured American media and religion scholar, Dr. Diane Winston, who spoke to students about the dangers of fake news and the necessity of accurate information in democracy.

**LINGDAO FELLOWS PROGRAM**

The Division of Student Affairs, in collaboration with the College of Communication & Fine Arts, created the Lingdao Fellows Program to engage student leaders in an immersive global experience. In its first year, 11 students participated in the program which included a week-long tour of Beijing, China, enrollment in the EDLA 498: Imagining Leadership as Global Citizens, and presentations at the 2017 Lingdao Symposium. Through the presentations, students propose ways to create tangible change towards a more inclusive and engaging campus community for LMU’s international student body.

> "As a Lingdao Fellow, I have been able to expand my understanding of diversity to a global level. My experience in China and unpacking my experiences there has influenced and challenged my role as a leader on and off-campus."

UAKEA JOSE ’18
Lingdao Fellow

**BY THE NUMBERS**

1,133 students served through Ethnic and Intercultural Services programs, advising and events

1,127 undergraduate and graduate international students served through OISS

3,573 students served by Intercultural Facilitators

22 students participated in new international-immersion programs
MISSION & IDENTITY

Mission and Identity hosted a total of five events which were attended by 254 staff members. Notably, Mission and Identity hosted a new event series entitled, "The Story of My Life." Speakers included President Timothy Law Snyder and Seaver College of Science and Engineering Dean, S.W. Tina Choe. Additionally, eight "Compañeros" newsletters were distributed university-wide to share stories about how mission and identity fits into the roles of faculty and staff.

SORORITY & FRATERNITY LIFE

The Sorority & Fraternity Life (SFL) community continued to excel in academics, service and philanthropy. SFL's fall 2016 GPA of 3.44 was higher than the average LMU GPA of 3.25. The all-sorority average for fall 2016 was 3.49, also higher than the average LMU women’s GPA of 3.35. The all-fraternity fall 2016 GPA of 3.30 was higher than the average LMU men’s GPA of 3.13. In fall 2016, the SFL community raised $77,311 for philanthropy and completed 10,710 hours of service. In spring 2017 the SFL community raised $135,110 for philanthropy and completed 12,571 hours of service.

CULTURAL CONSCIOUSNESS

The Senior Vice President for Student Affairs launched a professional development Workshop on Cultural Consciousness for all Student Affairs staff. All Student Affairs staff were required to attend one of seven one-day, off-site workshops. More than 130 Student Affairs staff participated in the workshops, consisting of self-awareness activities, defining a common language centered around diversity, interculturalism and identifying critical issues on campus.

IGNATIAN LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

In its ninth year at LMU, the Ignatian Leadership Institute (ILI) achieved a record number of participants in the leadership seminars. In 2016-17, a total of 618 students participated in at least one seminar compared to 521 students in the previous year and 48 in ILI’s first year.

"My previous role as a sorority Chapter President has given me the confidence to become a leader who makes critical decisions while also staying close to my personal values of unity and cooperation within and between chapters.

Megan Takemoto '19
Alpha Chi Omega, Collegiate Panhellenic Council President"
COURAGEOUS CONVERSATIONS

FOCUSING ON CIVILITY

In 2016, LMU CARES added a third session for incoming freshmen and transfer students focused on interculturalism and the importance of inclusivity, diversity and respect at LMU.

Courageous Conversations guided participants in building skills pertaining to intercultural dialogue and dealing with conflict and difference thereby creating proficiency in controversy with civility. More than 1,800 new students and 250 continuing students completed the training.

BY THE NUMBERS

25% of undergraduate students were involved in the Sorority & Fraternity Life community

618 students participated in the Ignatian Leadership Institute

138 Student Affairs staff members participated in cultural competence training

254 Student Affairs staff members participated in five Mission and Identity events

663 students seen and 485 cases heard by Judicial Affairs
MATTEO RICCI
EMBRACING TALENT

In 2016, the Division launched the Matteo Ricci Scholars Program to provide 11 talented Chinese international students with a unique opportunity to work on campus in specialized work placements that enrich their student experience, provide mentorship and develop career skills. It was also designed to provide opportunities for the LMU community working with the students to increase cultural awareness and knowledge of China.

I was given an on-campus job opportunity to serve as a teaching assistant for the Lingdao Fellows Program. This has helped me to develop my professional skills, which enables me to serve as a leader in the LMU community and share my international perspective with my peers inside and outside the classroom.

JUNHENG (CARL) LI ’20
Matteo Ricci Scholar
A LION’S GUIDE TO ADULTING

Senior Programs created a custom LMU "senior disorientation" book called A Lion’s Guide to Adulting. Full of humor and expert advice, the book covered topics such as dinner etiquette, investing, happiness, 401ks, mortgages, buying versus leasing a car, HMOs and PPOs, alumni giving, business attire, auto insurance, apartment leases, social outings, credit scores and taxes.

VETERAN PROGRAMS

Veteran Programs continued to provide individualized services and events to support the transition, persistence and graduation of student veterans, reservists and veteran dependents. In 2016-17, LMU ranked #3 in Best Colleges for Veterans among Regional Universities West as reported by U.S. News and World Report.

STUDENT EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR

Student Employment Services received a record 60 nominees from 37 departments for the 2017 Student Employee of the Year award. This year’s recipient was Rachel Para who worked in the Biology Department as well as the Student Housing Office.

STUDENT MEDIA AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

The Los Angeles Loyolan received the Columbia Scholastic Press Association’s (CSPA) Silver Crown Award in 2017. The Tower Yearbook earned the CSPA Gold Crown Award for 2017, making LMU the only university in the nation to win a yearbook Gold Crown in both 2016 and 2017.

BY THE NUMBERS

3,394 students hired by Student Employment Services in more than 5,357 on-campus positions

102,429 customers served at the Lion’s Den Coffee Shop

1,152 students participated in senior events

256 students attended programs hosted by Student Employment Services to develop crucial job skills
Staff Accomplishments

The Division of Student Affairs has much to be proud of from its exceptional staff. While the following is not an exhaustive list of professional and academic accomplishments, these individual highlights represent the quality of expertise and dedication in our service to the students of Loyola Marymount University.

MIMI HOANG
Dr. Mimi Hoang received the L.A. Bisexual Task Force "Lifetime Leadership Award" for her decades of service. Some of her more notable services include co-founding three bi+ organizations in Los Angeles, attending the groundbreaking White House Bisexual Community Roundtable in 2013, and authoring publications such as the foreword for T. Erikson’s book, *Unconditional: A Guide to Loving and Supporting your LGBT Child.*

BRIANA MATURI
In addition to receiving the Loyola Marymount Barbara Bonney Staff Member of the Year Award, Briana Maturi published "LMU CARES: A Values-Based Approach to Sexual Assault Prevention" in *Jesuit Higher Education: A Journal.* Maturi is the director of LMU CARES and director of Sorority & Fraternity Life.

JEANNE ORTIZ
Dr. Jeanne Ortiz, Dean of Students, received CSU Long Beach’s Cynthia S. Johnson Award for Mentoring, which recognizes individuals who have made a significant impact on emerging student affairs professionals through exceptional mentoring and concern for their welfare and professional development.

APRIL PHILLIPS
Associate head coach April Phillips was honored by the Women’s Basketball Coaches Association with the "30 Under 30" award. This award recognizes 30 up-and-coming women’s basketball coaches age 30 and under at all levels of the game. Each honoree exemplified their involvement in community service, mentorship and impact on others, professional manner, and attitude and professional association involvement.

NATHAN SESSOMS
Dr. Nathan J. Sessoms, director of Black Student Services, was honored by the National Congress of Black Women-Los Angeles Chapter with their 2017 Community Recognition Award. The award highlighted Dr. Sessoms' commitment to the development and support of youth in the South Los Angeles and Loyola Marymount University communities.

TRACY SHAW
Dr. Tracy Shaw of Student Psychological Services gave the Keynote Address, "Daring to be Fierce: Embracing the Power Within," at the Women’s Lawyers’ Division retreat during the National Bar Association’s Annual convention.
Give to Student Affairs

The easiest way to make a tax-deductible gift to the Division of Student Affairs is at giving.lmu.edu. Click on the "Give Now" button, enter the amount you wish to give, choose “Give to area(s) of your choice,” search for the area within Student Affairs that you wish to support and make your contribution using a debit or credit card.

You can also give to the LMU EXP Greatest Needs. Include any additional gift instructions if you wish to designate your gift to a specific area within the Division of Student Affairs.

For more information about giving to the Division of Student Affairs at Loyola Marymount University or your area of interest such as a department, program, organization or team, please contact (310) 338-4959.

“Through the generosity of our donors, LMU will continue to provide students with an experience that will transform lives and form leaders. Our students represent a diverse group of inspired individuals that continue to have a lasting impact on LMU, the city of Los Angeles and communities all over the world.

DR. LANE BOVE, Senior Vice President for Student Affairs