### **ALUMNI NEWS**

#### A MONTHLY NEWSLETTER BROUGHT TO YOU BY MERCY COLLEGE OF OHIO

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# WEDNESDAY

#### **ALUMNI VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Are you interested in sharing information about your Mercy experience and your career in healthcare with prospective Mercy College students?

**WEDNESDAY**We are in search of alumni who would like to participate in Mercy College's virtual Open House opportunities this Fall. These virtual Open Houses, called Healthcare Worker Wednesday (HWW), take place every other Wednesday. Sign up <a href="here">here</a> to be an Alumni Speaker for one or numerous sessions.

If you would like to attend HWW to learn more about the completion and graduate programs offered at Mercy College, sign up as a participant at: <a href="https://mercycollege.edu/hww">https://mercycollege.edu/hww</a> Mercy College offers tuition reduction to alumni returning for another program.



# MERCY COLLEGE ANNOUNCES FALL 2020 ENROLLMENT NUMBERS

Mercy College President, Susan C. Wajert, PhD, says "Given the challenges we have faced the last six months with COVID-19 I'm pleased that enrollment has remained steady and that the fall semester is off to a great start. Now more than ever we are proud to educate the next generation of healthcare providers."

<u>Fall 2020 enrollment</u> at Mercy College is 1554 students which include 207 students that are dual enrolled at partner schools. Total

enrolled is essentially even compared with this time last year and includes students from 27 states. Mercy students are learning through a hybrid approach with lectures provided online while labs and clinical assignments are taking place face to face.

We welcome students beginning at Mercy College of Ohio this semester, as well as those returning to continue their healthcare education!



## THANK YOU FOR JOINING US FOR ALUMNI & FRIENDS WEEKEND 2020

To ensure the safety of our Alumni and Friends, all Alumni and Friends Weekend events for 2020 were held place in a virtual format. Events included Mercy Mile Walk, Mass, and Virtual Hangout. Alumni and Friends from across the United States joined us to celebrate Mercy. To view a recording of the Mass with St. John XXIII, visit:

http://www.stjohn23.org/watch-live and select the 9/27/20 11AM mass.

Check out some pictures from the Mercy Mile below!



#### **MERCY MEMORY BOOK**

Calling all graduates of 2015, 2010, 2005, 2000, 1995, 1990, 1985, 1980, 1975, 1970, 1965, 1960, 1955, 1950:

There is still time to submit your college photos and memories to our 2020 Mercy Memory Book. The Mercy College Alumni Department will be compiling a Mercy Memory Book for you to reminisce on your time at Mercy. Photos and memories can be sent by email to <a href="mailto:alumni@mercycollege.edu">alumni@mercycollege.edu</a>, text to 419-863-5520, or mail. Please submit photos/memories by Friday, October 30.



#### Macy Marcucci – CURRENT STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

Macy Marcucci is in her last semester of the Associate of Applied Science in Nursing Program at Mercy College's Youngstown, OH location. Macy's instructors state that she is a dedicated hard worker that maintains good and grades while maintaining a full-time job. Macy was attracted to Mercy of our Evenings/Weekends program, that can accommodate her work Graphic Designer and Bar Manager.

shares, "I have always had the dream to be a pediatric nurse. I am excited to get the ball rolling on my new career path and Mercy College of Ohio has been a wonderful place to start my nursing career. From the

beginning, every single instructor has gone out of their way to make sure we are getting the best possible education. We were introduced into the clinical setting early on. Being able to have patient interaction has been rewarding because it allows you to implement the compassionate care you have been taught about."

Mercy College of Ohio offers free tutoring services to our students. Macy shares that the "Youngstown nursing tutor goes above and beyond to make/review questions and practice problems. The professors,

clinical instructors, and staff at Mercy College make you feel like you belong and help you in whatever way they can. It took a long time for me to get to this point in my career path. I started at another college fresh out of high school but I was not ready to put everything I had into my education. I had a few setbacks and took a few breaks but when I was ready to come back a few years later, I hit the ground running. It is rewarding to have come so far and worked so hard for something."

For those interested in pursuing a degree in nursing, Macy states, "if nursing is something you want to do, you must put your whole soul into it and be ready to touch the lives of others. Nursing school is a lifestyle change and it is full of long nights and sacrifices when you realize your goal. Compassion will take you far in this field, and being able to be empathetic to every person you encounter is so important. I think knowing that you made a difference in someone's life even if it was for a few hours of your shift is a reward in itself."

We're proud of the ambitions and accomplishments of our students and alumni. Each month, current students and/or alumni will be recognized. Tell us your Mercy story. Please email suggested names to <a href="mailto:Alumni@mercycollege.edu">Alumni@mercycollege.edu</a> or complete a nomination form <a href="mailto:here">here</a>.

Peer-nominations and self-nominations are accepted.

The Mercy College of Ohio Alumni Department is committed and focused on providing Mercy alumni an experience which is informative, engaging and fun! We're there for you whether you're enjoying one of our alumni events or supporting Mercy as a volunteer.

Your Alumni Department goes the extra mile to keep you informed.

Your Mercy Pride is ours as well – To ensure this newsletter is as informational as possible, please send your comments and article submissions to:

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