

**MISSION EDUCATION FRAMEWORK
2016-2017**

Barry’s Strategic Agenda 2011-2016 calls for the establishment of a framework for infusing Mission into all we do as a University community. In collaboration with key departments and offices, a framework for conceptualizing mission education and leadership development has been created. This framework utilizes a *foundational, formative and advanced developmental model* which recognizes that our University community has a range of experiences that require a variety of engagement opportunities for effective Mission integration.

This document is prepared annually by the Office of Mission Engagement (OME) to guide the development of mission education at Barry University. All members of the Barry community are invited to collaborate to further mission program opportunities that support Barry’s Catholic identity, Dominican heritage, Adrian Dominican foundation, and collegiate traditions.

FOUNDATIONAL

These programs are considered to be an introductory level learning opportunity designed to give all members of the Barry Community a basic understanding of the University’s Mission Statement and Core Commitments.

Program/Event	Description/ Link to Mission	Collaborators
Barry CARES Programming	Annual Programming designed to choose topics that operationalize Barry’s Mission Statement and Core Commitments and provoke discussion related to innovative campus practices that align Mission with our student campus service experience.	OME* <i>* See explanation of abbreviations on the last page of this document.</i>
Community Learning Partnership of Greater Miami Shores	Barry student outreach, leadership and mentoring opportunities are developed annually with local public, private and parochial schools and the community. This partnership furthers Barry’s mission in the community through serving as a catalyst for civic engagement and establishing educational excellence as a priority in our community through collaborative and mutually productive partnerships.	OME, ADSOE, CCSI, CSI
Earth Day	Earth Day is an annual celebration designed to raise awareness and educate students, faculty and staff on the Adrian Dominican Sisters’ commitment to sustainability and Earth Care. Barry’s unique celebration of Earth Day furthers its Core Commitment to recognize the sacredness of Earth.	OME, BEST, Barry’s Student Green Team, LS, CEJ, QIP, SA

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Festival of Nations (Homecoming)	Festival of Nations (FoN) focuses on the traditions of celebrating and exploring the cultural diversity represented on campus from over 80 different countries. The richness and diversity of our international culture is displayed through student-sponsored country booths, food, music and dance, educational workshops, mass, games, performances, and other exciting activities.	CSI, CM
Founders' Week	Annual event designed to offer a variety of opportunities to Learn, Reflect and Serve. Founders' Week commemorates Barry's history, mission, Catholic identity, Dominican heritage, and Adrian Dominican foundation.	OME, CSI, CM, Various Schools, Athletics, CES, Marketing
Make a Difference Day	Celebrated on the fourth Saturday of October, on <i>Make a Difference Day</i> Barry volunteers address community-identified needs by supporting the work of the university's community partners. Students work on service projects designed to provide them with the opportunity to explore their career interests and learn how local organizations address social issues.	CCSI, CSI
Mass of the Holy Spirit/Baccalaureate Mass	Held at the start and end of every academic year at Catholic educational institutions, "Mass of the Holy Spirit" and "Baccalaureate Mass" are times for the community to come together and ask for the Spirit's blessing on students, faculty, staff, and their families. These events celebrate the university's Catholic identity.	CM
Mission Engagement Dialogue Project (MEDP)	University divisions and academic programs participate in a facilitated dialogue designed to further Mission engagement at the departmental level. This research project seeks to contribute to the development of a Mission leadership program that can be rolled out at Adrian Dominican sponsored institutions.	MIC/OME/IR

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Mission Orientation Programs	<p>New Faculty and Staff Orientation All new faculty/staff attend this monthly orientation presentation which includes a review of the University’s Mission statement and Core Commitments, executive leadership team, strategic priorities and campus services.</p> <p>New Student Orientation All new students attend a <i>History and Mission</i> Presentation during their Orientation days. OME collaborates with different departments to offer student mission and history presentations (Orientation Leaders, Resident Assistants, Physician Assistant students, Cardiovascular Perfusion students, School of Nursing Graduate students, etc.).</p> <p>Introduction to Barry’s History and Mission Offered at faculty/staff divisional/departmental in-service meetings as requested.</p>	OME, HR, LS, CSI, various Schools and Colleges
MLK Day of Service	Barry marks MLK Day on the Saturday immediately preceding the federal holiday (the third Monday of January). Students participate in a variety of community service projects through which they address specific social issues. The Day provides a special opportunity for Barry students to support the advancement of the University’s commitment to social justice through collaborative service in disadvantaged communities.	CCSI, CSI
Move Out Drive	The aim of the annual Barry University Move Out Drive is to collect items that would otherwise be thrown away during the residence hall move out period. The items collected are then donated to various community organizations. Volunteers are recruited to help sort donations so that they may be used by those in need.	OME, Res. Life, Facilities

New Student Investiture	All new first-year and transfer students are officially welcomed into the Barry University community by Sister Linda Bevilacqua, OP, PhD. During the convocation ceremony students are presented with a university pin that represents their commitment to the University as well as Barry University’s commitment to their success.	SA
Peace Month	Includes both passive and active involvement to enhance faculty, staff and student understanding and commitment to the promotion of peace and nonviolence. The annual “ Peace-In ” features workshops presented by campus and local experts on various mission-related topics. Activities are also open to the community.	Dr. Laura Finley/Department of Sociology & Criminology, OME, CCSI, CM, CSI

FORMATIVE

These programs are considered to be an intermediate level learning opportunity designed to give all members of the Barry community a deeper understanding of the University’s Dominican heritage and Adrian Dominican foundation.

Program/Event	Description/Link to Mission	Collaborators
Adrian Dominican Sponsorship Conference	Barry faculty and staff are chosen to accompany the President to Adrian, MI for a special introduction to the Adrian Dominican Motherhouse and the vision and mission of our founders. Participants attend workshops with nationally known speakers designed to provoke dialogue and reflection on how Barry’s mission is an expression of its Adrian Dominican heritage.	OME/Office of the President
Alternative Breaks	Alternative Breaks provides students with community-based immersion experiences designed to build awareness of social, political, and environmental issues through learning, reflection, and service that benefits diverse populations. Participants are encouraged to develop empathy, understanding, and motivation towards action for social justice in local, regional, national, and global contexts. Students develop	CCSI

	leadership skills such as effective communication, intercultural knowledge, and critical thinking as well as long-term commitment to civic engagement.	
Bride's Walk	Barry students, faculty and staff join community members and local high school students for workshops and presentations by local experts on topics related to domestic and dating violence, human trafficking, and other forms of gender-based violence. Interested persons can also participate in the actual 6 mile walk. This event furthers the university's commitment to promote a more humane and just society.	College of Arts & Science/ Dr. Laura Finley
Deliberative Dialogue Series	Deliberative Dialogue is a series of moderated discussions eliciting "voices and views from campus and community." The series (usually four sessions each academic year) provides a forum for working towards a common understanding of social issues, identifying practical solutions, and promoting workable public policy. Students and alumni, faculty and staff, and community members discuss current issues in an intentional, purposeful manner. The community and the University build meaningful connections and endeavor to pursue collective action for social change.	CCSI
Diversity in Leadership Week	The purpose of diversity in leadership is to raise awareness and to aid students in discussion surrounding identity, culture, race, class, abilities, and private identities.	CSI, CM, Disability Services, Counseling Services, Health Services, Advocacy Center
Freshman Experience Day	Introduces students to the University Core Commitments and provides a common experience where they can begin to examine the views and values that influence them. The FYE Program focuses on ethical and moral reasoning through the Keynote Speaker and breakout workshops that focus on <i>Who Am I?</i> - Discover your calling, Social Justice, Barry Traditions and Ethical Leadership. This is followed by the Passport program where students take responsibility for their own learning and development, engaging in	CSI, Career Services, CCSI, OME, CM

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	opportunities offered in the first six-eight weeks of the semester. Students engage in class service projects, as well as team builders and reflective activities.	
Mission Engagement Series	<p>These Mission engagement presentations are designed to offer students, faculty and staff the opportunity to hear lectures from campus experts followed by time for personal reflection and group dialogue.</p> <p>Themes include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conversation on the <i>Commentary</i> • Barry’s Catholic and Dominican identity • Leading the Legacy 	MIC/OME/MEC -LS/ SA
Mission Town Halls	<p>Born out of a commitment to collaborative service and learning, the purpose of the Mission Town Hall is to offer members of the Barry University community an opportunity to share their experiences and understanding of the university’s mission and core commitments. Facilitated by Mission Integration Council members, students, faculty, staff, and administrators are invited to listen to the experiences others in the community and how it relates to their lives on campus.</p>	MIC/OME

<p>Spirituality & Faith Formation Programs</p>	<p>Day and overnight retreats are offered for all students throughout the academic year. With a focus on integrating experiences, reflecting on relationships and faith, retreats provide students with the opportunity to engage in conversations on topics for students' lives.</p> <p>Mindfulness Meditation Series consists of 4 weekly sessions designed to teach participants specific practice skills. During each session participants are invited to engage in a new meditation technique that will help increase balance, calm and connect them to their most authentic selves.</p> <p>The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) prepares students to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, First Communion and Confirmation. Marked by prayer, inquiry, instruction, and reflection, the RCIA process provides participants the opportunity to deepen their understanding of the Catholic faith.</p> <p>All these programs further Barry's Catholic and Dominican identity by inviting participants to integrate their studies, reflections and actions into transformative experiences.</p>	<p>CM/SA</p>
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Student Leader Mission Training	<p>All ORI Team leaders and Resident Assistants go through an hour-long session of mission engagement formation.</p> <p>All Barry students also have the option of attending informal conversations on Barry’s Mission Statement and Core Commitments. Students lead discussions on their understanding of Barry’s values and brainstorm ideas for student mission programming.</p>	<p>OME/CSI/Res. Life</p> <p>MIC/OME/SA</p>
TRACKS	<p>This project engages students, faculty and staff in intergroup dialogues that help participants better understand one another. Focused on exploring social identities like race, class, gender, and sexual orientation, these ongoing dialogues occur throughout the academic year and are also part of Barry University’s 40 days of peace.</p>	<p>School of Social Work, Department of Criminology & Sociology, Intercultural and Multicultural Programs</p>
Vocational Discernment Programs	<p>First year students are encouraged to “Discover Their Calling” through workshops and presentations (including ORI 100 and the Freshman Experience Day) where students reflect on the questions <i>Who am I? Who am I called to be?</i> and <i>What is my purpose in life?</i> Assessments and exercises, including the Myers Briggs Type Indicator (MBTI), are offered to help students identify their personality, values, interests, and skills.</p> <p>Second and third year students are invited to “Explore Their Calling” by engaging in Job Shadowing, Internships, Community Service and Volunteer opportunities and reflecting on how their experiences can provide purpose and meaning in their lives.</p> <p>The Buc With a Plan program completes the 4 year vocational discernment process. The goal is to help students ensure that they have the tools necessary to “Launch Their Legacy” and to go out into the world to “Live Their Calling.”</p>	<p>Center for Career Services/SA</p>

ADVANCED

This programming is designed to build on previous Mission educational opportunities with the goal of furthering knowledge from a scholarly and experiential perspective.

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Adrian Dominican Associate Life formation series	Hosting the Adrian Dominican Associate Life formation sessions at Barry is an important step in helping us achieve the goal to deepen our understanding of the institution’s Dominican heritage and Adrian Dominican foundation. The Adrian Dominican Associate Life Series includes six sessions, all presented by Adrian Dominican Sisters. Faculty and staff are invited to attend those sessions that particularly interest them or attend all six sessions in preparation for applying for Associate Life.	OME
Dominican Colloquium	Held biannually, the Colloquium invites Dominican colleges and universities to submit proposals and attend the conference. This is an opportunity to further collaboration with colleagues from Dominican institutions.	Office of the President, OME, various units
Dominican College Preaching Conference	Up to 4 students (sophomores or juniors) and a mentor attend the week-long conference at a Dominican college/university where they deepen their understanding of Dominican values. Organized each year, the conference is an opportunity for students to learn how to incorporate preaching in their lives through art, dance, drama, and music and bring what they learn back to their campuses for further engagement with their peers and communities.	CM/SA
Earth Justice Conference	In recognition of the need to respond to climate justice as called for in the papal encyclical Laudatio Si: On Care for our Common Home and Barry’s commitment to recognize the sacredness of Earth, this mini-conference offers multiple opportunities to participate with Adrian Dominican Sisters, representatives from Barry initiatives and other leading experts.	OME, CEJ, BEST, Student Green Team
Ethical Leadership Conference	A one-day conference bringing together the student leaders from across the Barry University campus for communal training with a focus on the development of skills that will enable, motivate, and empower them to embrace social responsibility. Students learn how their daily actions and efforts impact our schools, our	CSI/SA

	<p>communities, and our world. This conference provides participants with a model for greater understanding of both individual and collaborative approaches to leadership development through the use of the Ethical Leadership Model.</p>	
<p>Law School Mission Trip</p>	<p>Each year the Barry Law School, through the Mission Effectiveness Committee, provides a week Mission Immersion for selected law students. The purpose is to provide pro bono service through volunteering with agencies providing legal services to communities in need and to expand students' community service within diverse communities and cultures. There is an orientation session provided to students before they apply for the mission trip. Selection is based on written applications and personal interviews. Two faculty advisors accompany the students, who generally number between 10-12.</p>	<p>MEC - LS</p>
<p>Undergraduate Mini-Conference</p>	<p>Hosted annually, the mini-conference engages students, faculty and staff in conversations on the common reader. The purpose of the common reader is to demonstrate the value of interdisciplinary analysis of salient issues or topics that are clearly related to the University Mission and Core Commitments. The mini-conference provides opportunities to further explore, critique, and analyze the themes of the reader.</p>	<p>College of Arts and Sciences</p>
<p>Yves Congar Award</p>	<p>Each year the Department of Theology and Philosophy bestows the Yves Congar Award for Theological Excellence on a theologian who embodies the vision of church, contemporary society, sensitivity to culture, diligent scholarship, and pastoral concern manifest in the life and work of Yves Congar. As part of the university's commitment to strengthen both Dominican identity and theological and philosophical excellence, noted philosophers and theologians lecture to the greater academic community on topics of urgency and importance to church and world.</p>	<p>Dept. of Theology</p>

**Abbreviations for departments, schools and administrative units:*

ADSOE –Adrian Dominican School of
Education

CCSI –Center for Community Service Initiatives

CEJ –Center for Earth Jurisprudence

CES –Conference and Events Services

CM –Campus Ministry

CSI –Center for Student Involvement

HR –Human Resources

IR –Institutional Research

LS –Law School

MEC –Mission Effectiveness Council at the
Law School

MIC –Mission Integration Council

OME –Office of Mission Engagement

QIP –Quality Improvement Program

Res. Life –Office of Residence Life

SA –Division of Student Affairs