2008
Saint Louis University Profile
Saint Louis University is a Jesuit, Catholic university ranked among the top research institutions in the nation. The University fosters the intellectual and character development of 12,309 students on campuses in St. Louis and Madrid, Spain. Founded in 1818, it is the oldest university west of the Mississippi and the second oldest Jesuit university in the United States. Through teaching, research, health care and community service, Saint Louis University has provided one-of-a-kind education, leadership and service for 190 years.

SLU RANKINGS AND HONORS

The 2008 edition of U.S. News & World Report’s “America’s Best Colleges” ranks SLU 82nd out of 262 national universities, making SLU one of the top five Jesuit universities in the United States.

The Princeton Review lists SLU among the nation’s top institutions in its “Best 366 Colleges 2008” guide, which recognizes only 15 percent of all four-year colleges in the nation. The Princeton Review also named SLU a “Best Midwestern College.”

The Carnegie Foundation lists SLU as one of a handful of Catholic universities that is “research extensive.” In fiscal year 2007, SLU’s research funds totaled $58 million.

DURING 2006-2007 SLU AWARDED 2,900 DEGREES.

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SAINT LOUIS UNIVERSITY HISTORY

SLU’s beginnings date from 1818, three years before Missouri became a state and when St. Louis was a pioneer settlement of 3,000 people. At this time, Louis William DuBourg, Bishop of Louisiana, opened St. Louis Academy, which began with French-speaking classes in a one-story stone house and later became St. Louis College.

In 1823, DuBourg offered the Society of Jesus a farm near Florissant, Mo., for a Native American school and additional property in the city for the building of a college. The Jesuits’ Maryland provincial authorized a band of 12 Belgian Jesuits—two priests, seven scholastics and three lay brothers—to set out for Missouri in April 1823. After the Jesuits arrived, steps were taken to transfer the administration of the college to the Society of Jesus.

Ground was broken in the autumn of 1828 for a three-story building downtown at the corner of Ninth Street and Washington Avenue. During construction, classes were conducted in Florissant. On Nov. 2, 1829, the college formally reopened in St. Louis, and enrollment reached 150 students. On Dec. 28, 1832, the institution became Saint Louis University when Gov. Daniel Dunklin signed the charter granted by the general assembly of Missouri. In 1888, the University moved to its present Midtown St. Louis site.

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of Saint Louis University is the pursuit of truth for the greater glory of God and for the service of humanity. The University seeks excellence in the fulfillment of its corporate purposes of teaching, research and community service. It is dedicated to leadership in the continuing quest for understanding of God’s creation and for the discovery, dissemination and integration of the values, knowledge and skills required to transform society in the spirit of the Gospels. As a Catholic, Jesuit university, this pursuit is motivated by the inspiration and values of the Judeo-Christian tradition and is guided by the spiritual and intellectual ideals of the Society of Jesus.

VISION STATEMENT

My vision is to establish and maintain Saint Louis University as the finest Catholic university in the United States, wherein the entire University community is actively engaged in student formation. Challenged by outstanding faculty and a modern, value-centered curriculum reflecting the Jesuit tradition, students are fully prepared to contribute to society and to be effective leaders of social change based on the ethical values and principles taught in the Saint Louis University tradition.

Lawrence Biondi, S.J., University President, 1987 to present
12,309 students are enrolled in more than 95 academic programs for the 2007-2008 school year.

57 percent of SLU’s undergraduate students are from out of state; 65 percent of freshmen are from outside the St. Louis metropolitan area.

73 percent of SLU’s undergraduate students graduate within five years.

The University’s 422 international students represent 82 foreign countries.
TEACHING

99 percent of tenured and tenure-track faculty hold a terminal degree.

The average class size is 23.9, and the student-to-teacher ratio is 13:1.

SLU offers inquiry courses for undergraduates that feature small class sizes and unique learning experiences.

SLU boasts 39 endowed chairs and 13 named professorships.

37 Jesuits live, teach and minister at Saint Louis University.

55 percent of undergraduate courses have fewer than 20 students.

RESEARCH

During fiscal year 2007, SLU’s Medical Center researchers in health sciences were awarded funds through grants, contracts and subcontracts totaling $52.8 million. This includes funding from the National Institutes of Health and other government sources such as the National Science Foundation and Centers for Disease Control. This figure also includes money awarded from private industry, associations and foundations. The number of funded Medical Center research projects was 470 for FY07.

SLU researchers in areas outside of health sciences also received funds awarded through grants, contracts and subcontracts from government, associations, foundations and private agencies, generating $5.2 million for 83 funded projects during fiscal year 2007.

Construction of SLU’s new biomedical Edward A. Doisy Research Center was completed in 2007. The new state-of-the-art, environmentally friendly facility focuses research in several core areas: cancer; molecular and structural biology; cardiovascular and pulmonary diseases; infectious diseases and biodefense; neurosciences and aging; and liver disease.

SERVICE & OUTREACH

University students, faculty and staff contributed 779,776 community service hours to organizations, groups and individuals during 2006.

SLU students and volunteers cook and deliver meals to St. Louis neighbors in need as part of a unique cooperative between the University, the Campus Kitchens Project and local nonprofit service organizations.

Saint Louis University has been recognized as a character-building college by The Templeton Guide: Colleges That Encourage Character Development.

With a generous grant from the Lilly Endowment Inc., the VOICES Project was launched in 2002 to build community and promote reflection, service and spirituality among faculty, staff and students.

During University breaks, campus ministry sponsors approximately 120 students who spend time serving the poor and marginalized at more than 15 locations around the country and in Belize, El Salvador and Mexico.

COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT

The Board of Trustees authorized the establishment of a revolving loan fund of $10 million from the University endowment for real estate development projects surrounding the SLU campus.

SLU students learn by working with organizations to provide services such as needs assessment for the elderly and disabled, basic legal advice, child immunization tracking, consumer education and hearing screenings for children.

University improvements and expansions have totaled more than $840 million since 1987.

SLU has established a forgivable loan program, Hometown SLU, for full-time employees who purchase homes in designated areas near the University.

CAMPUS SAFETY

The University boasts one of the safest urban campuses in the United States and is the safest campus among all major institutions in the St. Louis region. With more than 100 well-trained officers, SLU has the largest private security force in Missouri.

In 2007, SLU launched several initiatives designed to further enhance safety, including an emergency communication system, which reaches students on cell phones in the event of a campus emergency.
The College of Arts and Sciences is Saint Louis University’s oldest, largest and most diverse academic unit. Boasting nationally ranked programs, the college offers more than 30 different majors in the sciences, social sciences, humanities and fine and performing arts. The college is home to 16 academic departments and 10 interdisciplinary programs.

The 2008 edition of U.S. News & World Report’s “America’s Best Graduate Schools” ranked the doctoral program in biology No. 105 in the country. The magazine also has ranked the Ph.D. programs in history and clinical psychology among the best.

The college has launched the Center for Environmental Sciences, a new interdisciplinary effort that will further advance groundbreaking research into climate change, natural hazards, sustainable development, biodiversity and other critical areas.

The college partnered with Pius XII Memorial Library to create the Walter J. Ong, S.J., Center for Language and Culture, which examines the internationally renowned scholar’s pioneering theories of change in language and human communication.

The college has added new state-of-the-art research and teaching labs in the biology department, which is overseeing a $3 million National Science Foundation initiative to help chart the evolution of one of the world’s most important species of fish.

Researchers have developed a battery that runs on virtually any sugar source — from soft drinks to tree sap — and has the potential to operate up to four times longer on a single charge than conventional lithium-ion batteries.

Researchers unveiled a geological discovery that provides key evidence that life on Earth developed on the sea floor. In northern China, scientists dug up hundreds of ancient hydrothermal vents encrusted with fossilized microbes. Dating back 1.43 billion years, these fossils are the oldest such discovery on record.

In the 2006-2008 Philosophical Gourmet Report, top philosophers from around the world gave high marks to SLU’s graduate philosophy programs, ranking the medieval philosophy program the best in the country and philosophy of religion program behind only those at Notre Dame and Oxford universities.

In 2007, Diverse — Issues In Higher Education magazine named the SLU Graduate School a national leader in promoting diversity in its programs.

Also in 2007, SLU created the Hubert Mader Endowed Chair in Health Care Ethics, thanks to a $1.5 million grant from the Geschwister Mader Foundation.
The School of Law educates the next generation of great lawyers through nationally ranked programs led by faculty who are published authors and recognized experts in their fields. Students have opportunities to participate in clerkships, corporate externships, fellowships, journals, court room competitions and work with real clients in the school's legal clinics. The school is home to several centers of excellence, including the top-ranked Center for Health Law Studies.

In 2007, U.S. News & World Report named the school's health law program the best in the nation for the fourth consecutive year. Since the inception of the rankings more than a decade ago, the school's Center for Health Law Studies always has been ranked among the top three in the nation.

Study-abroad options expanded in 2007 with the addition of a summer program in Berlin, Germany, at the Ruhr Universitat in Bochum. Law students may also choose to study in Spain, Ireland, France and Asia. Classes are taught in English in Berlin, Madrid and Cork; the French and Asian exchange programs require appropriate language skills. All programs offer unparalleled cultural experiences and in-depth knowledge of international law.

In St. Louis, the school's legal clinics provide real-world experience in a variety of settings — from the public defender’s office to child advocacy to elder law to litigation in housing, family law and criminal cases. In 2007, the clinics formed a partnership with the world-renowned Saint Louis Zoo. Students gain experience in the areas of employment law, taxation, nonprofit law and animal regulation while providing legal services to the zoo staff and counsel.

John Cook School of Business

Year Founded: 1910  Dean: Ellen F. Harshman, Ph.D., J.D.

The John Cook School of Business is the 15th oldest business school in the nation and one of only a handful of schools in the country to provide comprehensive international business education. Home to seven centers of distinction, the school offers a nationally ranked undergraduate business degree with concentrations in nine different areas. Well connected to and respected by the business community, the school also offers five graduate programs that give students a competitive edge, including an innovative one-year, full-time MBA program.

The 2008 edition of U.S. News & World Report’s “American’s Best Graduate Schools” issue ranked the part-time MBA program No. 26 in the country. Nationally, there are nearly 350 accredited part-time MBA programs. The Cook School's program features an enhanced, flexible curriculum tailored for working professionals. U.S. News also ranked the school’s undergraduate programs among the best in the country.

In 2007, the John Cook School of Business became the only business school in Missouri to hold simultaneous top-tier national rankings for undergraduate and MBA-level entrepreneurship programs from U.S. News. And Fortune Small Business ranked the undergraduate and graduate programs No. 21 and No. 27 respectively. Fortune included the program in their listing of the top-25 entrepreneurship programs for undergraduates.

The Smurfit-Stone Center for Entrepreneurship celebrated its 20th anniversary in 2007. Dedicated to building a region of entrepreneurs, the center offers a wide array of programs designed to enable entrepreneurs to pursue their dreams. The center also hosts a summer academy for budding entrepreneurs from area high schools.

College of Philosophy and Letters

Year Founded: 1889  Dean: Garth L. Hallett, S.J.

The college provides academic training for men, both religious and diocesan, preparing for priesthood.
PARKS COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING, AVIATION AND TECHNOLOGY

Year Founded: 1927  Dean: Manoj S. Patankar, Ph.D.

Parks College of Engineering, Aviation and Technology is the first federally certified flight school in the nation. Rooted in a tradition of hands-on learning, Parks has earned a worldwide reputation for its aviation and aerospace engineering programs and has emerged as a leader in biomedical, electrical, mechanical and other engineering disciplines. Nationally ranked, accredited academic programs are supplemented by research, and Parks’ small class sizes ensure students receive personalized attention from dedicated faculty.

In 2007, Parks College celebrated its 80th anniversary. To commemorate the milestone, Parks installed a Smithsonian-quality, 370-foot timeline that highlights its remarkable history.

The 2008 edition of U.S. News & World Report’s “America’s Best Colleges” ranked the college’s undergraduate engineering programs No. 31 in the nation.

Parks launched new degree programs and concentrations for 2008, including interdisciplinary engineering, an innovative bachelor’s degree program that crosses disciplinary boundaries and is tailored to students’ individual interests. SLU also will be the first Jesuit institution to offer an aviation management program. Computer engineering and engineering physics also are new.

Parks has extended its international reach, forging new educational partnerships in India and expanding offerings at SLU’s campus in Madrid.

Parks’ engineering programs are accredited by the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology, which provides worldwide leadership in assuring the quality of engineering and technology education.

Parks alumna Kelly Beck became the second graduate of the college to serve as a NASA flight director when she oversaw the flight of Space Shuttle Atlantis to the International Space Station in June 2007.

THE EDWARD AND MARGARET DOISY COLLEGE OF HEALTH SCIENCES

Year Founded: The school traces its roots to the founding of the School of Nursing in 1928 Dean: Charlotte Brasic Royeen, Ph.D.

The Doisy College of Health Sciences includes the School of Nursing and the departments of clinical laboratory science; health informatics and information management; medical imaging and radiation therapeutics; nutrition and dietetics; occupational science and occupational therapy; physical therapy; and physician assistant education.

The college’s interdisciplinary curriculum brings together students from all programs to learn teamwork so they can provide the best possible care for patients.

The department of nutrition and dietetics operates Fresh Gatherings, a cafeteria offering gourmet, agriculturally sustainable foods.

In 1971 the school established the first accelerated nursing program in the nation and in 1990 was first in the state to establish a doctoral program in nursing. The School of Nursing also is a national leader in online graduate education.

The department of occupational science and occupational therapy is recognized internationally for leadership in the development of applied occupational science.

The department of physical therapy’s newest program, the athletic training master’s program, begins in fall 2008.

U.S. News & World Report ranks the physician assistant education program among the top 20 in the country.

Doisy College receives research support from the National Institutes of Health, the National Institute of Nursing Research, the U.S. Department of State and the Department of Health and Human Services.
The School of Public Health is the only accredited school of public health in Missouri and the nation’s only public health school at a Jesuit university.

The school offers master’s degrees and doctoral programs in six public health disciplines and joint degrees with the Doisy College of Health Sciences and schools of business, law, medicine and social work. Its M.H.A. program, ranked 12th nationally, celebrated its 60th anniversary in 2007.

The School of Public Health has 381 full-time master’s and doctoral students who are from across the United States and 38 foreign countries.

The school is home to 12 nationally recognized centers: the Center for Diabetes, Center for Environmental Education and Training, Center for Health Policy Analysis, Center for Outcomes Research, Center for Tobacco Policy Research, Environmental Health Laboratory, Health Communication Research Laboratory, Heartland Center for Public Health Workforce Preparedness, Institute for Biosecurity, Metro St. Louis HIV Health Services Planning Council, Obesity Prevention Center and Prevention Research Center.

Research funding for FY 2007 included $10.9 million in new dollars and $45.2 million in committed research funds. Studies focus on cardiovascular disease, cancer, obesity, diabetes, bioterrorism and HIV/AIDS. In 2007, the school received a $26 million, five-year federal contract as a site for the National Children’s Study.

At the graduate level, the college offers several interdisciplinary dual degree programs in critical areas, including public health and law, which give graduates a greater range of skills, making them better prepared for the workforce.

The college’s centers offer students collaborative academic experiences while striving to improve the community through outreach programs and research projects. These centers include: RegionWise, Stupp Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Laboratory, Center for Counseling and Family Therapy and the Emmet J. and Marty Martha Doerr Center for Social Justice Research and Education.

In 2007, public policy researchers, working with RegionWise, issued a landmark study of 18 metropolitan areas around the country that found a continuing gap in minority construction jobs. Researchers have made recommendations to expand the minority workforce.

The School of Social Work received national funding to establish a program to increase the number of social workers trained to meet the needs of America’s aging baby boomers. The demand for social workers serving older adults is expected to triple over the next several decades.

The GIS Lab is a state-of-the-art computer-imaging center that works on important community projects, most recently digitally mapping area schools for emergency responders and assisting one local city with flood prevention planning.
LEARNING OUTSIDE THE CLASSROOM

SLU offers involvement opportunities in more than 170 student organizations, including service/honorary/social fraternities and sororities, media/audiovisual programming groups and special interest clubs. Leadership development programs assist students in fulfilling their leadership potential in these organizations.

Innovative programs for freshmen ensure that their first year at SLU goes smoothly. In addition, sophomores, juniors and seniors can participate in special programs tailored just for them.

Eight residence halls, three apartment complexes and three language houses offer a diverse choice of living options. All residential areas have wireless Internet. Several learning communities and themed housing options are offered and address such topics as: social justice, leadership, career exploration and academic honors. Others are focused on particular career interests.

In 2007, SLU completed an $8 million expansion and renovation of the Simon Recreation Center. The 120,000-square-foot facility includes more than 200 pieces of fitness equipment, a multipurpose gym with elevated jogging track, racquetball courts, group exercise rooms, a juice bar, an indoor pool and a climbing wall.

Busch Student Center (BSC), the student union, features a 1,600-seat ballroom, bank, bookstore, floral shop, hair salon, meeting spaces and various food services and restaurants. Housed in the BSC are Student Government Association and other student organization offices, as well as SLU TV and KSLU radio. Additionally, it houses the Cross-Cultural Center, which strives to cultivate intercultural awareness and student engagement.

The Student Activities Board plans and presents major entertainment acts for the University. Past musical acts have included Jason Mraz, Guster, Yellowcard, O.A.R., Dashboard Confessional and Rihanna. Past comedians have included Jimmy Fallon, Frank Caliendo, Horatio Sans and Seth Meyers.

The student-led Great Issues Committee brings prominent speakers to campus, most recently welcoming famed filmmaker Spike Lee, Watergate journalist Bob Woodward and former Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak.

Students are supported in their choice of major and career development through a focus on exploration and educational planning in academic advising and career counseling. Career Services also offers connections to more than 4,000 employers through biannual career fairs, on-campus recruiting and an online database of employers.

A focus on student wellness brings together Student Health and Counseling services, programs and peer education, Campus Ministry’s spiritual growth opportunities, Simon Recreation Center classes and holistic dining options to help students maintain balance and promote a healthy lifestyle.
TUITION & FINANCIAL AID

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FINANCIAL AID

The University offers scholarship programs recognizing academic merit, financial need, aptitude and performance (athletics, the arts, etc.).

For fiscal year 2007, 97 percent of first-time freshmen received aid, as did more than 83 percent of all students.

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LONG-TERM CREDIT RATINGS

Moody’s Investors Service: A1/Stable
Standard and Poor’s: AA-/Stable

AID TO STUDENTS (FIGURES FOR FISCAL-YEAR 2007)

INCLUDES UNDERGRADUATE, GRADUATE, LAW AND MEDICAL SCHOOL AID.

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**INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**

Information technology is integrated into teaching and learning, as well as into everyday life for residential students. Students use computing and networked information resources from their residence halls and apartments and from numerous computer labs throughout SLU, including at the Madrid campus.

Classrooms are equipped with access to Internet resources, including Internet 2, for massive data transmission and video conferencing.

WebCT and Blackboard are SLU’s learning management systems that students and instructors use to facilitate online learning. For the fall 2007 semester, there were more than 800 active WebCT courses and more than 500 active Blackboard courses.

SLU is completely a wireless campus, supplementing the access available in classrooms, residence halls and apartments.

Information technology services maintains computer equipment in 145 classrooms and 29 labs, accounting for 760 PCs and 58 Macintosches. More than 20,000 computers are used by students, faculty and staff on campus.

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**SLUCARE**

SLUCare is the physician medical practice of Saint Louis University School of Medicine. It consists of physicians, nurse practitioners, medical assistants and related professionals who provide high-quality care for patients locally, regionally and nationally.

SLUCare has 348 full-time and part-time faculty physicians who practice in 14 clinical departments. These physicians provide primary, secondary and tertiary care services at locations in Missouri and Illinois, with primary affiliations with Saint Louis University Hospital, SSM Cardinal Glennon Children’s Medical Center, SSM St. Mary’s Health Center, Tenet’s Des Peres Hospital, St. Anthony’s Medical Center and St. John’s Mercy Medical Center. Each of SLUCare’s physicians is involved in teaching tomorrow’s health care professionals and researching the cures and treatments of the future as well as providing the latest in patient care.

From July 2006 through June 2007, there were 451,459 outpatient visits to SLUCare providers.

SLUCare physicians serve as the team physicians for Billiken athletics.

124 SLUCare physicians are named as St. Louis’ best doctors according to an annual survey conducted by Best Doctors Inc. and printed in the August issue of *St. Louis Magazine*.

SLUCare is the only academic medical practice in St. Louis fully accredited by the Accreditation Association for Ambulatory Health Care Inc. This accreditation is a voluntary process through which the quality of SLUCare services and performance is measured against nationally recognized standards.

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**AMENITIES & FACILITIES**

The physical plant of SLU in St. Louis consists of 127 buildings on 234 acres.

Busch Student Center, SLU’s student union, also is available for community rentals. Its multipurpose room can seat 1,000 people at tables or 1,600 for a lecture.

The Water Tower Inn, SLU’s on-campus hotel, features 62 guest rooms, five meeting rooms, food service and a fitness center. The Water Tower Inn is perfect for both short-term and extended-stay guests.

The University’s Lay Center in Louisiana, Mo., offers both art and educational opportunities for community groups. The 380-acre property features a sculpture park, children’s garden, classroom, laboratory and residential facilities, and an interpretive center displaying the area’s natural and cultural history.

Manresa Center, a former Franciscan monastery, has been renovated as a conference and retreat center in Midtown St. Louis.

Bannister House, SLU’s faculty, staff and alumni club, is open weekdays for breakfast and lunch and is available for private gatherings.

Students, faculty and staff can conduct environmental and biological research at SLU’s field station — the Reis Biological Station near Steelville, Mo., as well as at the Lay Center.
**MUSEUMS**

**SAINT LOUIS UNIVERSITY MUSEUM OF ART (SLUMA)**

The one-time Beaux Artes home of the St. Louis Club, the Saint Louis University Museum of Art contains more than 50,000 square feet of gallery space. Modern and contemporary art, featuring the work of Serge Poliakoff, Friedensreich Hundertwasser, Richard Serra, Tom Wesselmann, Günter Forg, Michael Eastman, Annie Leibovitz, Dale Chihuly, Brice Marden and many others, is found on the second floor. On the third floor is the Collection of the Western Jesuit Missions, showing religious art and artifacts from the 13th to the 20th centuries. On the fourth floor is the John and Ann MacLennan Gallery of Asian Decorative Art, one of the largest U.S. collections of its kind.

The Judith and Adam Aronson Gallery comprises the first floor of SLUMA and is dedicated to visiting exhibitions. Past exhibitions included “Keen Vision” featuring the bronze sculpture of Pablo Picasso, Henry Moore and Kiki Smith as well as contemporary glass sculpture by William Morris, Dale Chihuly and Lino Tagliapietra and “The Lincoln Legacy: Presidential Years” featuring rare manuscripts and artifacts relating to the era of Lincoln’s presidency and the Civil War.

**SAMUEL CUPPLES HOUSE**

In 1888, wealthy St. Louis entrepreneur Samuel Cupples commissioned architect Thomas Annan to design a magnificent mansion that would speak to Cupples’ business success. Annan adapted the style of Henry Hobson Richardson and designed a three-story home in purple Colorado sandstone complete with gargoyles and elaborate architectural details. It exists today as one of the rare examples of Richardsonian-style Romanesque architecture in St. Louis.

An elaborate interior of carved wood and stained glass, once heated by 22 unique fireplaces, offers a visual feast for visitors. Cupples House serves also as a gallery for the University’s collection of fine and decorative art dating before 1919. The Eleanor Turshin Glass Collection, featuring the largest collection of art nouveau and art deco glass west of the Mississippi River, is shown throughout the mansion.

**THE MUSEUM OF CONTEMPORARY RELIGIOUS ART (MOCRA)**

The Museum of Contemporary Religious Art is the world’s first museum dedicated to the ongoing dialogue between contemporary artists and the world’s faith traditions. The museum opened in 1993 and is located in a former chapel in Fusz Hall. MOCRA presents the work of artists of local, regional and national stature and its many exhibitions have received critical acclaim. Past exhibitions include: “Consecrations: The Spiritual in Art in the Time of AIDS,” “Andy Warhol: Silver Clouds,” “Bernard Maisner: Entrance to the Scriptorium,” “Gorky: The Early Years,” “DoDo Jin Ming: Land and Sea” and “Lewis deSoto: Paranirvana.” MOCRA’s exhibitions are supplemented with educational programming including tours, lectures and symposia, movies and performances.

Peter Steinfels, religion columnist for The New York Times, has written: “MOCRA’s exhibitions and programs seem to be guided by spiritual and aesthetic sensibilities that are both encompassing and finely honed. If only St. Louis were closer to New York!”

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**LIBRARIES**

Three libraries comprise the University Libraries at SLU: the Pius XII Memorial Library, the Medical Center Library and the Omer Poos Law Library. Collectively, the libraries hold more than 2 million volumes and provide access to more than 20,000 electronic resources, including databases, journals and e-books. Podcasts, RSS feeds and blogs are accessible through the libraries’ main Web site.

Pius XII Memorial Library is the main library for undergraduate, graduate, faculty and visiting scholars’ research, learning and study. Pius Library is located in the heart of campus. Pius Library also houses a full-service café, the University’s Testing Center and the undergraduate and graduate writing centers.

Pius Library also is home to the world-renowned Vatican Film Library (VFL), which holds the most extensive collection of manuscripts microfilmed from the Vatican Library in the world. The VFL collections include archival records on the history of Jesuit missions in the Western Hemisphere filmed from library collections located in Spain and Latin America. Since 1974, the VFL has hosted the annual Saint Louis Conference on Manuscript Studies and the Lowrie J. Daly, S.J., Lecture of Manuscript Studies. The VFL also publishes Manuscripta, a journal devoted to research on medieval and Renaissance manuscript studies.

Located near Pius Library is the Omer Poos Law Library. Ranked 19th among 196 American Bar Association-accredited law school libraries in total number of titles available to faculty and students, the Law Library’s collection includes more than 600,000 volumes in print and microform.

The Medical Center Library (MCL) is located within the Medical Center complex. Housed in the Doisy Learning Resources Center, MCL is a 32,000-square-foot facility that provides quiet and comfortable accommodations for students to study and meet.
ATHLETICS
The Saint Louis University Billikens compete at the NCAA Division I level in:

- Baseball
- Basketball
- Cross country
- Field hockey
- Indoor track and field
- Outdoor track and field
- Soccer
- Swimming and Diving
- Softball
- Tennis
- Volleyball

Saint Louis University is a member of the Atlantic 10 Conference, whose membership includes Charlotte, Dayton, Duquesne, Fordham, George Washington, La Salle, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Richmond, St. Bonaventure, Saint Joseph’s, Temple and Xavier.

During the 2006-07 academic year, Saint Louis University student-athletes posted a 3.21 GPA. In addition, 106 students made the Commissioner’s Honor Roll in fall 2006, and 123 achieved that honor in spring 2007.

Chaifetz Arena, SLU’s new 10,600-seat on-campus arena, will open in April 2008. The complex, which will be home to Billiken basketball games and many other events, also includes an athletic practice facility that will host volleyball matches. A connecting three-story building will house athletic department offices and support facilities.

ALUMNI
108,110 alumni live in all 50 states and 134 countries.

The University sponsors alumni clubs in:
- Atlanta
- Boston
- Chicago
- Cincinnati
- Cleveland
- Dallas/Ft. Worth
- Denver
- Detroit
- Houston
- Kansas City
- Los Angeles
- Louisville
- Milwaukee
- Minneapolis/St. Paul
- New York City
- Omaha
- Philadelphia
- San Francisco
- Seattle/Tacoma
- Springfield, Ill.
- Tampa/St. Petersburg
- Washington, D.C.
- Taiwan
- Thailand

The office of alumni relations also is reaching out to alumni abroad and is particularly connecting with those areas where large numbers of alumni reside, such as Bangkok, Madrid, Seoul and Taipei.

SLU alumni have served as U.S. Surgeon General, U.S. Attorney General and members of Congress. They include an award-winning Broadway producer and the former director of mission operations at NASA.

Since 1818, nine colleges and universities have been established by SLU alumni or professors.

WHAT’S A BILLIKEN?
The Billiken is a symbol of good luck that was a national craze in the early 1900s. In 1908, Florence Pretz, an art teacher, received a patent for her version of an ancient Asian figure. Later, the Billiken Co. of Chicago adopted the likeness, giving it its name. Manufactured as a bank and statuette, the Billiken reached its peak of popularity in 1911. Its association with SLU can be traced back to sportswriters who thought the SLU football coach, John Bender, bore a striking resemblance to the impish creature. One sportswriter drew a cartoon of Bender as a Billiken, posted it in a drugstore window and tabbed the football team “Bender’s Billikens.” The public took up the moniker, and it soon became the official nickname of all SLU teams.
SLU’S PRESIDENT

Following his inauguration as president in 1987, President Lawrence Biondi, S.J., has reshaped and revitalized Saint Louis University. During the past two decades, Father Biondi upgraded and modernized the University campus and encouraged redevelopment of the community around it. Most importantly, he committed vast University resources to academics, student scholarships and financial aid, faculty research and state-of-the-art technology. These improvements have helped SLU move closer to realizing Father Biondi’s vision that SLU become the finest Catholic University in the United States.

A Chicago native, Biondi joined the Jesuits in 1958 shortly after graduating from high school. Since that time, higher education has played an important role in his life. His master’s degree in linguistics and his doctorate in sociolinguistics were conferred by Georgetown University. He has three degrees from Loyola University Chicago and a licentiate in sacred theology from the Jesuit School of Theology at Chicago.

THE JESUIT TRADITION

The Society of Jesus, commonly known as the Jesuits, is renowned for its worldwide educational institutions. Today, more than 650 Jesuit institutions educate women and men around the world.

Founded in 1540 by Ignatius of Loyola, the Society’s original plans included a trek to the Holy Land to follow the life of Jesus. But, war prevented the group from making the trip, so the Jesuits placed themselves at the pope’s disposal to “seek the greater glory of God and the greater aid of others.”

Although Jesuits filled a variety of needs in their early history, Ignatius realized the need for education was great in the world, and he included this work in the Jesuit Constitutions. In 1543, the Jesuits began to teach both Christian doctrine and scholarly subjects in Goa, India. Schools originally intended for young Jesuits began to admit other students. The Society of Jesus also received a request to establish a college for lay people in Messina, Sicily. By 1556, the Society of Jesus had opened 40 colleges throughout the world.

The Jesuit tradition demands excellence in research and teaching, but it also calls for educating “women and men for others.” This approach is accomplished through educating the whole person. Dedicated to its Jesuit heritage, SLU strives to put knowledge to the service of humanity and to contribute to the transformation of society.
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