

JASPA President's Welcome

March 30, 2007

Dear JASPA Colleagues,

Welcome to the 2007 Annual JASPA Conference: *Shaping Student Development, the Jesuit Way!* We could not ask for a more beautiful, exciting place to gather then here is sunny Orlando.

Just as a very small group of our colleagues gathered in 1954 for the very first conference of Jesuit Student Personnel Administrators, we too have the opportunity to come together and discuss timely and important topics in Jesuit education. Although, we are a much larger group in 2007, we nonetheless, will have quality time to share stories, best practices, and learn new information that will be valuable to our work on our home campuses.

The Conference Committee co-chairs, Mable Millner, Assistant Dean and Director of Multicultural Education at the College of the Holy Cross and Deborah Cady, Associate Dean of Students and Director of Residence Life at Fairfield University, have worked diligently to design an excellent, well-balanced program for us. I can't thank them enough for taking on this project.

I invite you to thoroughly enjoy the next day and a half. Take time to learn, share and reflect. Our fellowship is at the core of our time together in Orlando. You deserve it!

Sincerely,

Jacqueline Dansler Peterson
President, JASPA

Message from Conference Co-Chairs

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Greetings Friends,

Welcome to sunny Orlando Florida! We are thrilled to be with you for our annual JASPA Conference. Our time together promises to be a professional development opportunity that engages us in conversation about our best practices, collective visions and toughest challenges. Our time together joins us as co-workers invested in the lives of our students, as colleagues devoted to the mission of Jesuit higher education and as friends celebrating our successes. Today, our annual JASPA conference connects us as professionals at 28 colleges and universities committed to the cognitive, psycho-social and spiritual development of our students, staff and future leaders.

We have chosen the theme: Shaping Student Development, the Jesuit Way for our annual conference as a guide post for our discussions about the uniqueness our Jesuit tradition offers our understanding and perspective of college student development. As we work with our students, we are guided by the principles of the Society of Jesus in ways that empower us to develop not only the whole person but also men and women who strive for more in order to best serve others. Our keynote, Fr. Howard Gray, S.J. will share with us the connections between student development and student spiritual experiences. Our interest sessions will examine some of our student affairs hot topics from a distinctive Jesuit lens. Our case study presentation and discussion led by Dr. Sandra M. Estanek will gather us in collective discussion of the role we play as student affairs professionals in the promotion of Jesuit values and ideals. All of these sessions, we hope are stimulated by your passionate contributions, interests and wisdom as you engage in conversation with colleagues within and across functional areas.

We are particularly grateful for the many colleagues across our 28 Jesuit colleges and universities that have contributed their time and knowledge to creating our Annual Conference Program. We hope that you find their work both thought provoking and engaging and will join us in thanking them for their conference contributions. Tonight at the Rosen School of Hospitality at the University of Central Florida, we will have the opportunity to celebrate our colleagues' accomplishments and hope that you will join us.

Thank you for attending and we hope you enjoy our time together.

Deborah Cady, PhD
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Jesuit Association of Student Personnel Administrators

Shaping Student Development, the Jesuit Way
JASPA Annual Spring Conference
Orlando World Center Marriott Resort
Conference Schedule
March 30 – April 1, 2007

Friday, March 30th
4:00 – 6:00 p.m.. **Executive Board Meeting**
Gaylord Palms Hotel, NASPA Region 1 Suite

Saturday, March 31st
7:30 – 8:15 a.m. **Registration**
Marriott, Crystal Ballroom Salon G1

8:15 a.m. **Networking, the Jesuit Way: Sharing Our Stories**
Opening Welcome Breakfast
Join colleagues for a networking breakfast to share the joys, challenges, passions and inspirations that narrate your story in Jesuit Student Affairs.

9:00 a.m. **Student Personnel Administrators and the Jesuit Way**
Opening Plenary Session
Jacqueline Dansler Peterson, JASPA President will officially open our conference as we celebrate the gathering of our 28 Jesuit Colleges and Universities. Following the welcome, Fr. Andrew Thon, S.J., Vice President of Student Affairs at Marquette University and Kevin Duffy, Professor at Boston College will

orient new and returning JASPA members on the history and vision of our organization.

10:00 a.m. **Student Development, the Jesuit Way: A Mutual Spiritual Experience**

Plenary Speaker: Fr. Howard Gray, S.J., Rector, John Carroll University

JASPA is honored to welcome Fr. Howard Gray, S.J. as our featured speaker at our conference. Reminded that everyone has a role in educating students, Fr. Gray challenges Student Affairs professionals to “create a group of individuals who will know where they are, understand their talents and energies, and be able to leave an imprint for good on this world, in which we walk only once.” As rector of the Jesuit community and Assistant to the President for University Mission at John Carroll University, Fr. Howard Gray, S.J. will inspire, challenge and guide our conference conversations as we shape student development, the Jesuit way!

10:45 a.m. **Break**

11:00 a.m. **Professional Staff Response and Discussion**

Our panel of professional staff representing a variety of Jesuit Colleges and Universities will each offer brief remarks sharing their insights from Fr. Gray’s keynote address. Following our panel presentations, participants are invited to engage in discussion with colleagues at their table.

Kent Porterfield, Vice President of Student Affairs, St. Louis University

Cheryl Presley, Vice President of Student Affairs, Boston College

Christopher Rodgers, Dean of Students, Fordham University, Rose Hill Campus

Alvin Mangosing, Resident Hall Director, Seattle University

12 noon **Connections Luncheon**

Join new and familiar colleagues for lunch in the Marriott

Ballroom.

12 noon **Senior Student Affairs Officers’ Luncheon Meeting**

1:30 – 2:30 pm **Contemporary Topics as they Relate to Jesuit Education**

How do Student Affairs educators approach assessment, vocation, leadership, mission and engagement differently and uniquely in Jesuit higher education? How might our topics help us to understand student development as a mutual spiritual expression and experience? The following is a sampling of the topics that will be explored in breakout sessions and led by a cross representation of professionals from the 28 Jesuit Colleges and Universities:

Alcohol Education and Student Development,

Creighton University
Reflection and Vocation
College of the Holy Cross, Fairfield University
Leadership and Character Development
Santa Clara University
Advancing our Mission and Identity,
College of the Holy Cross, Georgetown University,
Marquette University
Inclusion and Engagement,
Boston College, Regis University

2:30 – 2:45 p.m.

Break

2:45 – 4:30 p.m.

Doing Student Development, the Jesuit Way: A Case Study
“What is specifically Jesuit about what we do in student affairs?”
In examining a hypothetical case, how might we respond to this compelling question? Dr. Sandra Estanek, ASACCU Executive Director and faculty member at Canisius College will facilitate our conversation as we think through with our functional area colleagues in responding to what is uniquely Jesuit about our work in student affairs.

4:30 – 5:30 pm

Annual Meeting
Closing Plenary

7:00 p.m.

Recognizing Professional Development, the Jesuit Way
JASPA Awards Reception and Banquet
Guest Speaker: Dr. Ronald Slepitz, President, Avila

University

Rosen School of Hospitality at the University of Central Florida.
Bus transportation will be provided from the Orlando World Center Marriott Resort at 6:30 p.m. for guests attending the JASPA Awards Reception and Banquet.

9:30 p.m.

JASPA Suite Open
Gaylord Palms Resort, NASPA Region I Suite

Sunday, April 1st
8:30 – 10:30 a.m.

JASPA/ASACCU Joint Mass
Gaylord Palms Resort, Sun Ballroom C

