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The Cardinal Suenens Center

The Cardinal Suenens Center honors the life and work of Leon-Joseph Cardinal Suenens (1904-1996), Archbishop of Malines-Brussels and Primate of Belgium. The Center has the following goals: to study the achievements and heritage of Vatican Council II; to be attentive especially to the reception of the as yet unachieved goals of the council, and, through symposia, publications, and funded scholarly research, to increase understanding and pursuit of those goals; to further the ecumenical advances of the council through respectful dialogue; to bridge conversation between church leadership and the theological community; and to intersect the pastoral goals of Vatican Council II with those of the culture in response to the Church's present call for "the evangelization of the culture." Every other year, the Cardinal Suenens Center designates a recipient for the Living Water Award. Past honorees: 1996–Mother Teresa and Cardinal Joseph Bernardin; 1998–Cardinal Godfried Danneels; 2000–Cardinal Franz Koenig; 2002–Cardinal Roberto Tucci, S.J.; 2004–Helen Prejean, C.S.J. **Director:** Dr. Doris Donnelly, Department of Religious Studies.

The Center for Community Service

The Center for Community Service, founded in 1992, reflects the mission and commitment of John Carroll University to the formation of men and women in the ideals of the Society of Jesus. Among these ideals is the creation of an academic community that champions service to others and the quest for justice as constitutive elements of a liberally educated person.

To this end, the staff of the Center for Community Service assist faculty in both the College of Arts and Sciences and the Boler School of Business in incorporating service learning instructional opportunities into their regular classes. The Center for Community Service works closely with more than one hundred community-based service organizations and agencies in the greater Cleveland area to provide quality service opportunities that enrich student learning and meet community needs.

Some of the tasks of the Center for Community Service include hosting an annual *Making Connections* community service fair; managing the *CarrollCares Frequent Volunteer Program*, which provides a transcript-like record of a student's community service experience; and hosting an annual Community Service Public Forum. The Center for Community Service also coordinates service immersion programs, such as service in the inner city of Cleveland, and in El Salvador, Central America.

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The Center for Global Education

The Center for Global Education exists to foster a vibrant international campus culture and support university efforts towards a coherent program of international education for all John Carroll students. To this end, the center works closely with the university's area studies and other international studies programs to develop and enhance international curricular and co-curricular offerings across the university. The center strives to expand opportunities for study abroad and international exchange; advises and works with international students and scholars; convenes student workshops on international awards and fellowships; and supports the Fulbright visiting lecturer series and other international-related events and programs. **Director:** Dr. Andreas Sobisch, Department of Political Science.

The Center for Math and Science Education, Teaching and Technology (CMSETT)

The Center for Mathematics and Science Education, Teaching and Technology (CMSETT) was established at John Carroll University in 1999 with the mission to advance the quality of K-12 mathematics and science education in northeastern Ohio. This is accomplished through building upon successful initiatives of the university to improve mathematics and science instruction in school districts in the region and through collaboration with faculty and representatives of K-12 institutions, other higher education institutions, and other organizations in the region.

CMSETT provides professional development programs and workshops for mathematics and science educators based on the national vision for reform in science, mathematics, and technology education. The purpose of these programs is to improve content knowledge in the areas of science and mathematics and appropriate teaching strategies based on current research on human learning and effective practices. Courses may be taken for graduate credit.

A variety of professional development opportunities are offered to area mathematics and science teachers of grades K-12 each summer. In addition, specific programs are designed with individual districts to meet their needs for ongoing program improvement.

Director: Linda Gojak; **Associate Director:** Norm E. Schmidt.

The Center for Social Ministry Partnerships

The Center for Social Ministry Partnerships is a new collaboration between Catholic Charities Health and Human Services of the Cleveland Diocese (CCHHS) and John Carroll University. The center's purpose is to build on the cooperation and partnerships that already exist between the diocese and the university and to catalyze new initiatives and service promoting the common good of the wider Cleveland community.

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Plans are already under way to offer management training and other courses to CCHHS personnel that would involve the Graduate School, Continuing Education, and the Boler School of Business. Discussions are also taking place to identify appropriate and effective ways in which the university can work with CCHHS in responding to the city of Cleveland's ongoing Poverty Summit and the diocese's Church in the City initiative. In May 2005 John Carroll hosted the Blazing Trails Symposium that is sponsored biannually by the Caritas Connection, a partnership between CCHHS and the Sisters of Charity Health System. **Director:** Leonard M. Calabrese.

The Center for Teaching and Learning

The Center for Teaching and Learning supports the university's mission by providing a facility and resources to foster an environment which encourages faculty to improve their teaching effectiveness. The center offers opportunities for reading, reflection, skill development, individual and group dialogue with peers and students, and for learning new technologies. It plays an active role in providing leadership, coordination, and support for the scholarship of teaching based on the belief that good teaching and good teachers change lives. **Director:** Dr. Marc P. Lynn, Department of Management, Marketing, and Logistics.

EconomicsAmerica, Cleveland Center

EconomicsAmerica, Cleveland Center is a non-profit educational organization working to improve the level of economic understanding in Northeast Ohio. Established in 1973, the center's primary means of achieving economic literacy is through teacher training and education. In conjunction with the John Carroll University Department of Economics and Finance and the Graduate School, the center offers many credit and non-credit courses and workshops for K-12 teachers. In addition, interested teachers can earn a master's degree in education with a strand in economic education. Details can be found in the Department of Education section of the *Graduate School Bulletin*.

Courses provide teachers with a solid background in economic concepts, principles, and teaching methodology. They range from basic courses, which introduce economic concepts and require little economics background, to concentrated upper-level courses, which have prerequisites. Courses are open to all licensed elementary and secondary teachers. Other applicants must be approved by the director and meet all Graduate School admission requirements.

EconomicsAmerica, Cleveland Center is governed by a Board of Trustees, which represents business, labor, education (elementary, secondary, and higher), and the community at large. The director coordinates the functions of the center within guidelines set by the board, and in cooperation with the John M. and Mary Jo Boler School of Business and Department of Economics and Finance of John Carroll University. **Director:** Paula Aveni; **Program Director:** Linda Spencer.

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The Faculty Technology Innovation Center

The Faculty Technology Innovation Center (FTIC) is dedicated to advancing the use of technology to enhance teaching, learning, and research at John Carroll University.

Equipped with the latest hardware and software resources and staffed by technologists from Information Services, Instructional Media Services, and the Center for Teaching and Learning, the FTIC strives to meet this objective through a combination of research, faculty workshops, multimedia development assistance, and one-on-one consultations.

Director: Dr. Jay Tarby.