

Quality Enhancement Plan

Discern, Experience, Achieve--Preparing for Life and Work in a Changing World

University of Dallas

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In our mission the University of Dallas is committed to the pursuit of wisdom, truth, and virtue as the proper and primary ends of education. In addition, we are dedicated to preparing our students for life and work in a problematic and changing world and equipping them to become leaders able to act responsibly for their own good and the good of their family, community, country, and church. The order in which the Mission articulates these ends suggest that these latter, more practical goals may derive from the pursuit of education's primary goals. In other words, the future success that our students may enjoy in their personal and professional lives should spring from an underlying and continuing pursuit of wisdom, truth and virtue. Through a rigorous undergraduate education, University of Dallas students are well-prepared for success in life. This Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP) "Discern, Experience, Achieve: Preparing for Life and Work in a Changing World", intends to build on this educational excellence and to provide students with opportunities and resources to make informed career and vocational choices.

Through this QEP students will continue to be enriched by the University's Core curriculum and the intellectual and moral virtues of a liberal education illumined by the Catholic faith. We envision students firmly grounded in this heritage of liberal education and confidently declaring a major on the basis of serious self-reflection guided by advisors. We envision students who dig deeply into a chosen discipline while participating in extracurricular activities which bring to light opportunities available during and after the undergraduate experience.

The UD community strongly believe that student learning will benefit from integrating a consistent advising and career development process within the academic programs of the university. With consideration of all of the ways in which one's vocation in life comes to fruition—including employment, religious vocation, missions and service work, and graduate and professional study—this QEP intends to help students develop and succeed in reaching their short-term and long-term goals and to exercise leadership in throughout their lives.