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AΣN @ 101: #COLLABORATING #MEETINGCHALLENGES

The only honor society permitted to bear the name Jesuit – it is a distinction that comes with a certain responsibility. Alpha Sigma Nu provides members a unique connection to the Society of Jesus and a purposeful challenge to be collaborators beyond graduation. As Jesuit numbers decline, collaboration ensures their mission and values continue to make a difference in the world through those lay persons most exemplifying the teaching of Jesuit higher education.

These colleges and universities are not simply looking to impart scholarly knowledge but rather a holistic knowledge of self, spirituality, and humanity. How can we as the Jesuit honor society inspire tomorrow's Jesuit-educated collaborators and change makers?

Alpha Sigma Nu is tackling this question with new energy. At 101 years old, the Society is continually evolving to meet challenges. New collaborations with Jesuit organizations have been forged. Student leaders are finding a vibrant community of fellow AΣN leaders both online and face-to-face at AΣN Leadership Summits, Triennial Conferences, and career networking events. Alumni Clubs are enlivened, adding programming and even expanding to new cities. AΣN is utilizing ever-evolving ways to communicate with members. The website has been refreshed, and social media feeds are active and thriving. New initiatives are adding meaning to membership and connection to Jesuits, strengthening the community of collaborators.



A great example of this new energy can be seen in the Society's latest resource for all members, the Lunch & Learn webinar series. To kick off the series, we welcomed **Jim Martin, SJ**, (Weston '97) to speak to members on October

20th about his latest book *Jesus: A Pilgrimage*. Members had special access to Fr. Martin and an opportunity to ask him questions about his book, Alpha Sigma Nu's role in faith life, and how to understand the humanity and divinity of Christ.

We look forward to our next Lunch & Learn webinar this spring and other new initiatives to inspire AΣN members to live out their pledge and collaborate with the Jesuit network for positive change. **You can watch the video of Fr. Martin's webinar at www.alphasigmanu.org.**



AΣN VOICES: STUDENT BOARD MEMBERS SHARE THEIR UNIQUE AΣN EXPERIENCES

Kate: Michelle Perez (Saint Peter's '15) and Michael Reardon (Marquette '15), after serving as your Chapter's president and as AΣN Board member for a year, you have a unique AΣN perspective and experience. Why is AΣN important to you?

Michelle: Receiving the honor of membership made me want to live up to its distinction. The title of 'Jesuit' speaks to how special the honor society actually is. I am a native of Jersey City, a first generation college student, and the first person in my family to graduate from a Jesuit institution. I am proud and grateful to represent my family, Saint Peter's University and Jersey City in this way.

Michael: Marquette is a Jesuit institution at its core, and the opportunity to be recognized at induction as a student who excelled in scholarship, loyalty, and service was humbling. I now see that AΣN is a global organization with over 80,000 members, many of whom have distinguished themselves, not only in their academic and professional careers, but also as men and women for others. As someone who strives to live out Catholic and Jesuit values in my daily life, I am honored to be part of this group.

Kate: How do you see living your AΣN membership in the future?

Michelle: I have an incredibly huge dream -- to become the Secretary General of the United Nations. In working towards this goal, I will be engaged in pursuing scholarship, loyalty, and service for the rest of my life. This career path will require not just graduate degrees, but constant learning, an abiding promise to work in the pursuit of peace for all 193 nations signed onto the United Nations Charter, and service to these nations in the highest form. The same tenets that have helped shape my education will shape my professional life going forward.

Michael: I am lucky to be actively contributing to the organization in my role on the Board. After I leave the Board, I hope to continue to serve others and to promote Catholic and Jesuit values.

Kate: Tell me about your experience as a student AΣN Chapter leader.

Michelle: As I assumed my role as president, I did not have the opportunity to transition with the previous leaders. This situation provided both opportunity and challenge. I could determine our Chapter's direction, building our Chapter culture and traditions. I also knew that I needed to learn more about the AΣN tenets and Jesuit ideals. As I learned more, I began to understand that I was actually part of something bigger and more profound.

Michael: I am lucky enough to have spent eight years at Jesuit schools. I was interested in the Chapter E-board because serving gave me an opportunity to give back to the community that has provided me with so many formative experiences. While president, I particularly found the process of selecting and inducting new members to be meaningful, as I learned about some of the most intelligent, involved, and dedicated people on campus. Not only had many of these students spent a good portion of their lives striving to succeed academically, but they had also demonstrated a remarkable commitment to serving others.

Kate: What is it like as an Alpha Sigma Nu Board member?

Michelle: I know this sounds silly, but I have learned that my role with the organization is legitimate. Taking on a Board position at a young age can be daunting, leading you to question whether your voice will count. The AΣN Board looks to Michael and me to lead the Chapter officers and bring their experiences and issues to Board conversations. We are strongly encouraged to contribute to discussions and decisions that impact AΣN and its members.

Michael: Michelle and I chair the Chapter Presidents' Committee, holding monthly conference calls, leading the Leadership Summits, and working with the student leaders. As part of the AΣN Board, I am impressed by how engaged the Board members are in helping this organization, and specifically the student Chapters, succeed. I have really enjoyed working with people who have a long-term vision for what they want this organization to become. And funding matters!

Michelle (far left) and Michael (fourth from right) with student leaders at the Regional Leadership Summit in Jersey City.



LEADERSHIP SUMMITS: ALPHA SIGMA *WHO* TO ALPHA SIGMA *NU*

What happens when you gather smart, committed men and women for others in the name of Alpha Sigma Nu, who are anxious to take on the AΣN year? The 2016 Leadership Summits, held at Loyola University Chicago and Saint Peter's University, trained 30 leaders, produced 50 ideas for Chapter programs, and added new students to the community of AΣN leaders.

"Leadership Summits are designed to facilitate conversation and collaboration among Chapters," says Michael Reardon, AΣN Board member. "The student leaders I met were all future leaders and change-makers, and I enjoyed being able to moderate the discussions that will surely lead to many positive outcomes for Alpha Sigma Nu and its Chapters."

"Because students are juniors or seniors when inducted," added **Kate Gaertner** (Marquette '04), AΣN Executive Director, "we have a defined window of time to give meaning to undergraduate membership. We want members to feel connected and inspired, and we rely on the Chapter leaders to make that happen. The Leadership Summit is designed to jumpstart AΣN Chapter leaders early in the academic year to get that accomplished."

The Summit begins with the basics, describing resources available to Chapters, Chapter management, marketing and branding, and making inductions meaningful. Then the afternoon session switches focus to Chapter programs. "There was a great exchange of ideas," noted Michael. "Chapter Presidents came to the table with the best ideas their Chapter has to offer and shared them. Then they worked together to develop new programs. Going forward, Chapters should be able to leverage these new ideas to create a more vibrant and engaged AΣN community on campus." The Summits ended Sunday with reflection, action planning, and plans for cross-Chapter collaboration. During the Summit, the group built community by attending Mass and enjoying dinners together as well.

Scott Cannon (Loyola Maryland '16), summed up the importance of the Summits when he said, "Without the Summits, I think some of us may feel we are involved in Alpha Sigma Who instead of Alpha Sigma Nu!"



5 TOP TAKEAWAYS from the LEADERSHIP SUMMITS

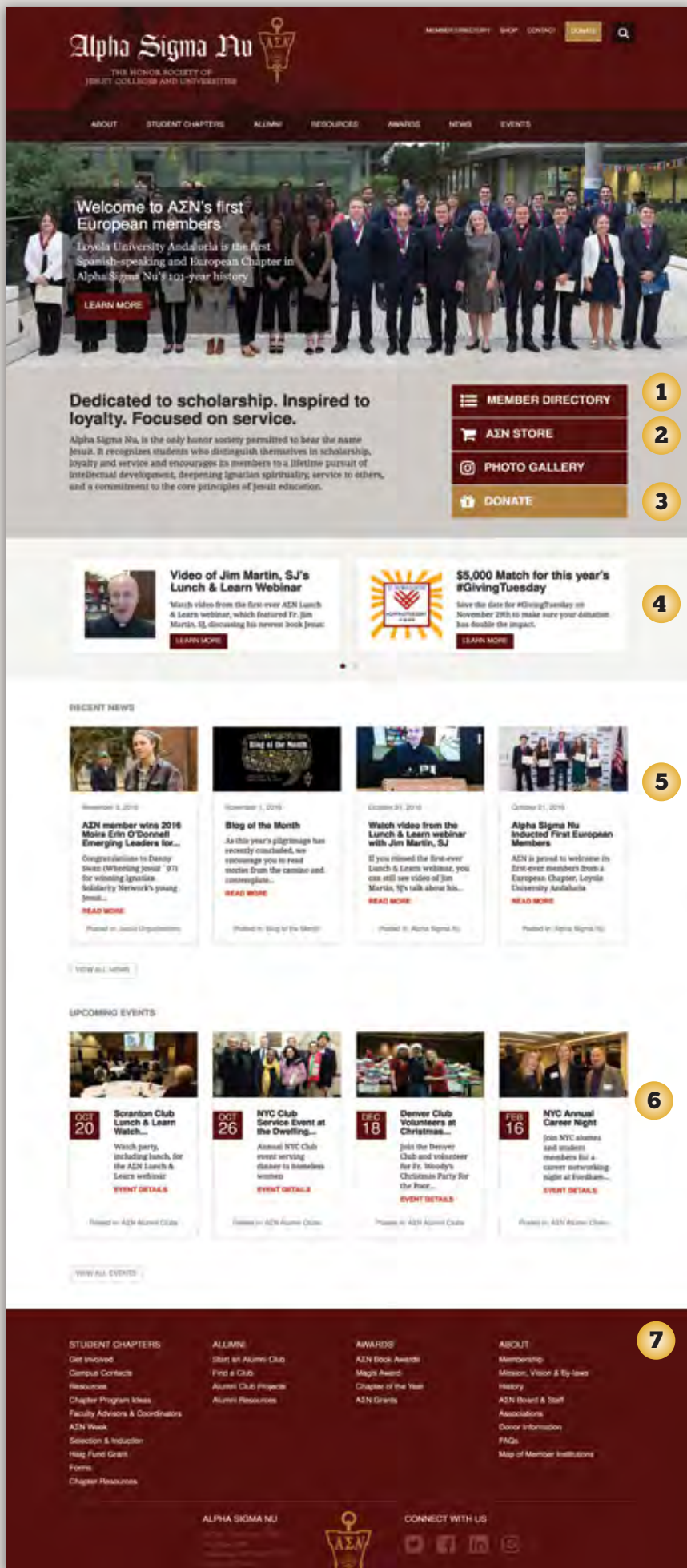
The Summit strengthened our commitment to AΣN and trained us to liven up the brand and set goals for a successful year. **Veronica Jeffers** (Loyola Chicago '15)

We built a closer community by brainstorming with fellow members, and in meeting so many inspiring individuals, reaffirmed the honor of being part of this Jesuit honor society. **Monica Trout** (Rockhurst '16)

I now know that I have a strong support system. This is evident not only in the availability of resources, but also in the leaders and change-makers that are so characteristic of AΣN. **Colin Wickholm** (Loyola Marymount '16)

It was really nice to connect with other Chapter presidents who may be dealing with similar challenges regarding their Chapters and develop strategies together to help resolve those issues. **Nazifa Nasim** (Fordham '16)

I feel empowered and inspired, seeing the ways AΣN can contribute positively to my campus and be more than a bullet point on a résumé for members. **Hanaa Khan** (Boston College '16)



NEW WEBSITE LAUNCHED

The new website is your source for news, events, and resources to aid in your lifetime commitment to Jesuit and Ignatian values. Visit the website today, and come back frequently, to learn of the latest Alumni Club events in your area, Jesuit-alumni focused events to keep you engaged, news from Jesuit higher education and Jesuit organizations that promotes collaboration with the Jesuit community out in the world making a difference. This new website is your home base for all things Alpha Sigma Nu. Explore, shop, update your contact information, and plan your weekend service project.

Student Chapter leaders have a streamlined hub for Chapter management tools. Alumni have a page to highlight Alumni Club programs, alumni resources, and current news. All members will enjoy the new Resources page, with the ability to search and filter resources of particular interest to you. Find links to Jesuit, Catholic, and Ignatian websites, blogs, and documents. Search for service organizations or AΣN Alumni Club events.

With the launch of this new website, we can also feature all the wonderful photos that give a face to the Society and bring the organization to life.

- 1 **Member Directory** – Update your contact information, find fellow alumni in your area, or network with like-minded people in your profession.
- 2 **Online Store** – Shop for AΣN gifts, office décor, apparel, and more. You can also easily order replacement certificates and pins! There are many new items to peruse.
- 3 **Gold Donate Button** – The gold donate button is still your one-click stop for easy online giving. You can now set up recurring gifts and make gifts in memoriam.
- 4 **Featured Content** – Read about the most important news for today. Find member stories, AΣN's Blog of the Month, featured news or events, AΣN Book Award announcements, and more.
- 5 **News** – Read the latest news items, featuring articles from our Jesuit collaborators, AΣN news and announcements, and important Jesuit or higher education news. For the full list of news items, click on View All News.
- 6 **Events** – See what's happening. Upcoming inductions, Alumni Club and networking events, and interesting events around the country focused on Jesuit-educated alumni will be featured.
- 7 **Quick Links** – Easily find the most important links on our website right in the footer to simplify your web browsing experience.

EVENT CALENDAR: FIND ALUMNI CLUB EVENTS & MORE

The homepage features events in the near future. To find the full calendar of events, click on the Events page in the main navigation menu. Below are event listings for recent and upcoming Alumni Club events.



SEPT 30

Denver Club Pilgrimage and Day of Prayer

6 mile pilgrimage through Denver and day of prayer
EVENT DETAILS

Posted in: Alumni Club Events



OCT 15

Denver Area Graveyard Tour Supporting Fr. Woody's Christmas Party for the Poor

ASN historical graveyard/haunted house tour
EVENT DETAILS

Posted in: Alumni Club Events



OCT 17

Danhiy Club Tour of the MU Jesuit Residence

Join Milwaukee area alumni for a tour of the new Jes Res
EVENT DETAILS

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OCT 19

Danhiy Club Visit to St. Camillus

Join Milwaukee area alumni for a visit to the Jesuit retirement community
EVENT DETAILS

Posted in: Alumni Club Events



OCT 20

Scranton Club Lunch & Learn Watch Party

Watch party, including lunch, for the ASN Lunch & Learn webinar
EVENT DETAILS

Posted in: Alumni Club Events



OCT 26

NYC Club Service Event at the Dwelling Place

Annual NYC Club event serving dinner to homeless women
EVENT DETAILS

Posted in: Alumni Club Events



DEC 18

Denver Club Volunteers at Christmas Party for the Poor

Join the Denver Club and volunteer for Fr. Woody's Christmas Party for the Poor
EVENT DETAILS

Posted in: Alumni Club Events



FEB 16

NYC Annual Career Night

Join NYC alumni and student members for a career networking night at Fordham
EVENT DETAILS

Posted in: Alumni Club Events



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Tight time in Chicago with the 2016-2017 Alpha Sigma Nu Presidents and Officers at the Leadership Summit. We found the bean and great Italian dinner



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SOCIETY Chatter

EL PUENTE AΣN: LOYOLA ANDALUCIA WELCOMES FIRST INDUCTEES & EXPANDS THE AΣN INTERNATIONAL NETWORK

By **Francisco de Borja Martín Garrido**

The project of Jesuit higher education requires growing and living in the words of St. Ignatius, "Go and set the world on fire." I was first introduced to the concept of an 'honor society' in 2002, when I had the opportunity to study at Marquette University thanks to a scholarship from my business school. Honor societies are not common in Spain; I was impressed with how Alpha Sigma Nu creates connections with students, faculty, and alumni all around the world.

Establishing a Chapter of Alpha Sigma Nu at Loyola Andalucía not only opens up an endless networking opportunity for students, but it creates a clearer Jesuit vision for our students. As Universidad Loyola Andalucía is a new university, it is important to build knowledge of and commitment to the values of Jesuit higher education. As our university grows, this Chapter will share the core values of scholarship, loyalty, and service with members and all students on our campuses.

The AΣN Board and staff have a great vision for AΣN. We met with Kate Gaertner many times as she outlined the ideas and objectives of Alpha Sigma Nu, providing a solid foundation for our Chapter. From the beginning, we have included our students in the AΣN discussion. We presented AΣN not only as an opportunity for leadership, but also as an opportunity for service.

Loyola Andalucía students are very open to facing new challenges. Many are currently participating in a double degree program with Loyola University Chicago and others are participating in various study abroad programs around the world. **The drive and motivation of our students is what has pushed the AΣN Chapter forward.**

They will collaborate with Campus Ministry and assist international students upon their arrival. All students, at our campuses in Sevilla and Cordoba, will better understand the values of Jesuit education thanks to the action of this new Chapter. And when they study abroad, they will be AΣN ambassadors at schools across Europe, Asia, Central America, and South America.

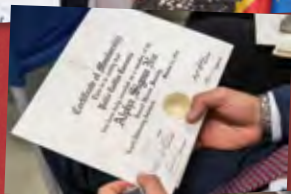
For a new AΣN Chapter to be successful, university leadership and students must be committed. **As Loyola Andalucía is the first Spanish-speaking Chapter and the first European Chapter, we are in a position**

to be the bridge to AΣN for new international Chapters. We see it as a fantastic opportunity to take part in the expansion of an international AΣN network, following the directive of Father General Adolfo Nicolás to build and utilize Jesuit networks. AΣN is in a unique position for Jesuit networking, promoting the collaboration among members and increasing the connections between Jesuit institutions of higher education internationally.

The administration of Universidad Loyola Andalucía, including Director of Campus Ministry **Maria Rita Martín Artacho** (Loyola Andalucía '16), General Secretary **Pedro Pablo Pérez Hernández** (Loyola Andalucía '16), and Rector/President **Gabriel María Pérez Alcalá** (Loyola Andalucía '16) embrace the vision and purpose of the Society and see the positive impact this new Chapter will have on our students. We have received tremendous encouragement in this effort from across the ocean from **Michael Garanzini, SJ** (Saint Louis '71), Chancellor of Loyola University Chicago and Secretary for Higher Education, and **Michael Sheeran, SJ** (Regis '76), AJCU President. Advice on Chapter formation from **Thomas Regan, SJ** (Fairfield '84) Loyola Chicago AΣN Faculty Adviser, the importance of AΣN to a campus from **Daniel Hendrickson, SJ** (Marquette '13), President of Creighton University, and suggestions on forming a Spain Chapter from **Scott Hendrickson, SJ** (Loyola Andalucía '16) have given us great direction in how to infuse AΣN throughout the University.

Here at Universidad Loyola Andalucía, we try to live by St. Ignatius' challenge, "To give without counting the cost." By investing in our students, we know that we are creating learning opportunities that will have a great impact on their lives. When our students complete their education, we hope they inspire future students with their drive and commitment to live the values of the Society of Jesus and "to go forth and set the world on fire".

Francisco de Borja Martín Garrido (Loyola Andalucía '16), is the AΣN Faculty Adviser and Director of International Relations at Universidad Loyola Andalucía.



Photos from the first induction at Loyola University Andalucía which took place on October 21, 2016.



2016 ΑΣΝ BOOK AWARD WINNERS



Global Financial Contagion: Building a Resilient World Economy After the Subprime Crisis

Shalendra D. Sharma, University of San Francisco

This book is an authoritative account of the economic and political roots of the 2008 financial crisis. It examines why it was triggered in the United States, why it morphed into the Great Recession, and why the contagion spread with such ferocity around the globe. The book specifically looks at

how the Obama administration's policy missteps have contributed to America's huge debt and slow recovery, why the Eurozone's response to its existential crisis has become a never-ending saga, and why the G-20's efforts to create a new international financial architecture may fall short. This book will long be regarded as the standard account of the crisis and its aftermath.

From Cambridge University Press

Shalendra D. Sharma (University of San Francisco '12) is a Professor of Politics at the University of San Francisco. He is the author of several books, including *China and India in the Age of Globalization*, (winner of the 2010 Alpha Sigma Nu Book Award); *Achieving Economic Development in the Era of Globalization*; *The Asian Financial Crisis: Crisis, Reform and Recovery*; and *Development and Democracy in India*. Professor Sharma has published more than four dozen articles in leading peer-reviewed journals.



The Doctor of Nursing Practice Scholarly Project: A Framework for Success (First Edition)

Katherine J. Moran and Rosanne Burson, University of Detroit Mercy

One universal requirement for any doctor of nursing practice candidate is the successful completion of a scholarly project. This book is the first resource of its kind to guide students in completing this requirement. The text develops

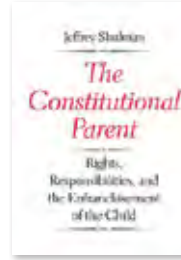
a process and framework for completing the scholarly project in an effective and efficient manner. It focuses on important aspects of the project, such as:

- Formulating a meaningful scholarly project
- Selecting appropriate committee members and working effectively with them
- Understanding the positive influence of professional collaboration on the final product
- Developing a project plan and writing the project proposal
- Emphasizing how research contributes to evidence-based practice in nursing

From Jones & Bartlett Learning

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Rosanne Burson, DNP, ACNS-BC, CDE, FADE is Assistant Professor of Nursing at University of Detroit Mercy. She specializes in diabetes education and management, with special interest in continuing research that supports innovative practices related to improving the experience for the patient with diabetes.



The Constitutional Parent: Rights, Responsibilities, and the Enfranchisement of the Child

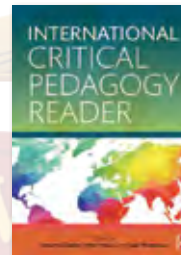
Jeffrey Shulman, Georgetown University

This bold and timely work argues that the U.S. Constitution does not protect a fundamental right to parent. Shulman challenges the notion that parental rights have a long-standing legal

pedigree. What *is* deeply rooted in our legal tradition and social conscience is the idea that the state entrusts parents with custody of the child as long as parents meet their fiduciary duty to serve the developmental needs of the child. Shulman's illuminating account of American legal history is of more than academic interest. If once again we treat parenting as a delegated responsibility—as a sacred trust, not a sacred right—we might be more willing to consider how time-honored principles of family law can effectively accommodate the evolving interests of parent, child, and state.

From Yale University Press

Jeffrey Shulman is Professor of Legal Research and Writing at Georgetown Law. He co-edited best-selling book, *Robert Kennedy In His Own Words*, and has contributed to numerous law reviews and other scholarly journals. His own scholarly background is in English literature, constitutional law, legal research and writing.



International Critical Pedagogy Reader

Antonia Darder, Loyola Marymount University

This book introduces the ways the educational phenomenon that is critical pedagogy are being reinvented and reframed around the world. A collection of essays from both historical and contemporary thinkers coupled with original essays, introduce this school of thought and

approach it from a wide variety of cultural, social, and political perspectives. Academics from 20 countries across the globe describe critical pedagogy's political, ideological, and intellectual foundations, tracing its international evolution and unveiling how key scholars address similar educational challenges in diverse national contexts. A robust collection, this reader is a crucial text for teaching and understanding critical pedagogy on a truly international level.

From Routledge

Antonia Darder, PhD, holds the Leavey Presidential Endowed Chair in Ethics and Moral Leadership in the School of Education at Loyola Marymount University and is also Professor Emerita of Educational Policy, Organization, and Leadership at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. She is author of *Culture and Power in the Classroom* and *Reinventing Paulo Freire: A Pedagogy of Love*; and she also co-authored *After Race: Racism After Multiculturalism*. Darder has also edited numerous other scholarly works.



WHY JESUIT NETWORKING: PROMOTING COLLABORATION THROUGH NETWORKING

From Jesuitnetworking.org

International networking has already been happening in the Society of Jesus for which it is a source of profound consolation. Still there is a strong sense that the Lord is calling us towards even greater collaboration, providing a potentially powerful and contemporary way of proceeding that can give new energy to Jesuit mission. Consolation and desolation work together as a wake-up call to move forward. International networking is urgently needed for our mission in the twenty-first century. It demands cultural and organizational transformation at both the personal and institutional levels, and challenges the Society of Jesus and its collaborators not to give in to the temptation to avoid those changes, to stay idle, or to postpone indefinitely. But networking demands that the Society of Jesus undergo a cultural change: from institutional and provincial frameworks to regional and global visions, from individual approaches to a teamwork mentality, and from sectorial division to collaboration in diversity.

We feel that in the context of the urgency of God's call, inaction is not an option. In today's context of global changes, Jesuit networking could be defined as a way of proceeding apostolically that enables better global and regional cooperation at the service of the universal mission, raising the apostolic structures to a

new level of agency with global (or regional) impact, and therefore connecting persons and institutions in such a way that they act as a global and interdisciplinary body, in collaboration with others. The Society of Jesus is a mission-oriented body. For Jesuits, identity is inseparable from mission, whose centrality shapes all dimensions of life and structures. This is why networking can only be understood from the perspective of finding innovative ways to embrace our mission. We develop networks for the good of the mission. Our adaptive spirituality and our tradition of dialogue with the world urge us to re-imagine existing structures so as to find better answers to global challenges and international problems from a collaborative approach involving concerted action with a wider scope.



Jesuit Networking promotes the topic of collaboration through networking among individual Jesuits, institutions, and collaborators, systematizing related information and fostering network thinking within the Jesuit apostolic body: jesuitnetworking.org/.



Recurring Gifts

My wife and I decided on the AΣN recurring gift option as an alternative to the once a year gift for a couple of reasons. First, we believe in the Jesuit mission and the charitable works the Jesuits do, and in Alpha Sigma Nu. The recurring gift allows for more funds to be given year round, assisting as needs arise. Second, we both attended Jesuit universities and advised our children their main consideration in choosing a college to attend themselves, should be that it is Jesuit. We felt they would get the best education by attending a Catholic, Jesuit university. Alpha Sigma Nu represents the best of that tradition. Our recurring gifts allow our Jesuit causes, both higher education and charitable, to continue their good work.

– AΣN donor **Dr. Raphael Longobardi**, (Fordham '85)
with his wife Laura, daughter Gabby and son Raph

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