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Bellarmino Women in Leadership Conference

DEVELOPING TOMORROW'S LEADERS

The Women in Leadership Conference is a joint partnership between Bellarmine University's Divisions of Student Affairs and Academic Affairs, with partial sponsorship support provided by various campus divisions and academic departments, as well as Bellarmine's Women's Council. The idea for this conference came out of the increase in college attendance among women, particularly at Bellarmine. Women comprise roughly 65 percent of the undergraduate population. By dedicating a conference specifically to college women, it is Bellarmine's hope to foster and develop women who are informed, fulfilled, and successful – both personally and professionally.

BENEFITS OF ATTENDING THE CONFERENCE

Mentoring: Be assigned to a young professional from the community who will serve as your small group leader.

Professional Development: Gain insight on a variety of issues that will help you succeed in the professional world.

Leadership Development: Discover more about your leadership style and how to integrate what you learn into your life.

Inspiration: Be inspired by the shared stories of prominent women in leadership positions, mentors, and chosen participants.

Exchange of Ideas: Be exposed to multiple perspectives on best practices, tips for success, and leadership skills.

Personal Reflection: Share your concerns about balancing a rewarding professional life with a fulfilling personal life.

For more information, candidates or recommenders may direct any questions about the application process or the conference to Rachel Baptiste at rbaptiste@bellarmine.edu or Elizabeth Cassidy through the Division of Student Affairs at 502.272.8150.

Information is also available at www.bellarmino.edu/studentaffairs/dean/women

IMPORTANT DATES

Applications Due

March 13, 2013 by 5:00 p.m.

Deadline for application packets (including application, essay, letter of recommendation, and resume) to be submitted to the Division of Student Affairs in Horrigan Hall, CC-225K, or emailed to Elizabeth Cassady at ecassady@bellarmine.edu.

All Applicants Notified

As notifications will be rolling, applicants will be notified of acceptance within three days of application. All applicants will be notified by March 20.

Women in Leadership Conference

March 22, 2013

Registration begins at 5:30 p.m. in the lobby of Wyatt Hall with conference continuing in the McGrath Art Gallery. The conference will commence by 8:30 p.m.

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

5:30- 6:00 p.m.

Registration

6:00-6:40 p.m.

Dinner and keynote speaker

6:45- 7:30 p.m.

Break Out Session with Mentors

7:30- 8:10 p.m.

Post Break Out Reflection Activity

8:10-8:30 p.m.

Closing and Recognition

PARTICIPANT DRESS CODE

Participants are encouraged to wear business casual to business attire.

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Who can apply?

Any female undergraduate student in her second, third, or fourth year of college by the end of fall 2012 may apply to participate in the Ninth Annual Women in Leadership Conference.

What should be included in the application?

To be considered for the Women in Leadership Conference, an applicant must submit a completed application package before the deadline. The following items must be included in the application package:

- Application Cover Page (included in this packet)
- Answers to both essay questions (see application for guidelines)
- One letter of recommendation written by an individual who can adequately attest to your leadership experiences and/or potential in academics, extracurricular activities, and/or community service. The letter should be sealed and signed across the envelope seal by the person giving the reference.
- Resume – You may make an appointment with the Career Center prior to the application deadline if you need assistance with your resume. Call 502.272.8151 to set up an appointment.

Where should the application be submitted?

All applications should be turned in to the Division of Student Affairs, Horrigan Hall, CC-225K or via email to Elizabeth Cassady at ecassady@bellarmine.edu.

When is the application due?

The completed application package must be turned in no later than 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 13, 2013.

Women in Leadership Conference Application

A HISTORY OF WOMEN AS LEADERS AT BELLARMINA UNIVERSITY

The focus of developing female leaders is not a new concept at Bellarmine. In fact, the Bellarmine Women's Council was formed in 1963 at the invitation of Monsignor Alfred F. Horrigan, then President of Bellarmine College (now Bellarmine University).

In the invitation, Monsignor Horrigan noted that the college must be prepared to provide leadership for the quality of the civic, cultural, and professional life which Louisville would have in the next generation. He also observed that Bellarmine, an all men's college at the time, needed sustained contact with women leaders in the educational and cultural affairs of the community. He felt a Women's Council would meet this need and serve as a liaison between the college and the community. Seventy-five women became charter members of the Bellarmine Women's Council on April 23, 1963, with their first formal meeting on October 8, 1963.

The Bellarmine Women's Council is active in several programs and projects all of which directly benefit Bellarmine University. Their largest fundraising event is the Designers' Show House where all proceeds are donated to the Bellarmine University Student Financial Aid Fund. This past September they completed their 36th annual show house and have contributed over \$1.4 million to the student aid fund. In addition, the women's council donates annually to the landscaping around the Our Lady of the Woods Chapel where they also donated the two crosses for the roof of the chapel. They contribute to the Petrik Endowed Scholarship Fund, the athletic department, and a conference room, named in their honor, is located in the Library where sketches of all the Show Houses are on display. For more information about the Bellarmine Women's Council, please visit their website at: www.bellarmino.edu/womenscouncil.

PERSONAL DATA

Please print or type. Completed applications must be submitted to the Division of Student Affairs in Horrigan Hall, CC-225K, or emailed to Elizabeth Cassady at ecassady@bellarmine.edu no later than 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 13, 2013.

Name _____
LAST FIRST MIDDLE

Address _____
STREET ADDRESS

CITY COUNTY STATE/PROVINCE ZIP CODE COUNTRY

Home Phone (____) _____ Work Number (____) _____ Extension _____

Cell Phone (____) _____ Email Address _____

Major _____ Minor _____

Credit Hours Completed by the end of fall 2012 _____

Candidate's Signature _____

CONFERENCE INFORMATION

In order to pair you up with a female leader in the community, which area of interest is most closely aligned with your professional goals? (Select one category).

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Arts | <input type="checkbox"/> Business | <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |
| Communications | Economics | Psychology | _____ |
| Humanities | Entrepreneurship | | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Politics | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Service | <input type="checkbox"/> Sciences | |
| International Relations | Ministry | Health | |
| Law | Non-profit | Mathematics | |
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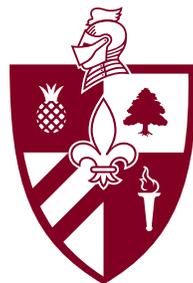
If you have a specific professional goal, please list it here.

ESSAY QUESTIONS

Please answer both of the following essay questions:

1. Discuss your aspirations for the next ten years. What steps do you need to take to achieve these goals?
2. Describe at least one experience where you were pushed outside of your comfort zone and forced to reflect upon your self-identity.

Note: each essay should be reflective of the author's personal experience, thoughtful and well-composed, mechanically and grammatically correct, and a maximum of 1.5 single-spaced, typed pages (12 pt. font).



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