Welcome to the undergraduate section of the Marquette University Bulletin that describes programs offered in eight colleges across the university. Many of these programs are nationally recognized, and all are grounded in long-standing traditions of Jesuit education. Each undergraduate’s academic experience begins with the University Core of Common Studies, which comprises course work in nine key areas of knowledge: 1) Rhetoric, 2) Mathematical Reasoning, 3) Individual and Social Behavior, 4) Diverse Cultures, 5) Literature/Performing Arts, 6) Histories of Cultures and Societies, 7) Science and Nature, 8) Human Nature and Ethics and 9) Theology. In these core courses, the distinctive “Marquette experience” begins to take shape, as students develop an approach to human understanding grounded in the liberal arts.

Within each college, students complete foundation courses crucial to their disciplines, and then immerse themselves in the more specialized courses required for their majors and minors. The bulletin describes the individual courses available to you and offers examples of semester-by-semester course schedules to help guide your choices. At Marquette University we emphasize the need to integrate theory and practice, and reflection and action, so we offer many opportunities for you to learn through experiences outside the classroom. Co-curricular opportunities abound and include study abroad, undergraduate research, living-learning communities in the residence halls and internships. Each semester hundreds of Marquette students participate in service-learning courses that involve significant engagement with the local community. Two extraordinary examples of our co-curricular opportunities are the Les Aspin Center in Washington, D.C., where students work in Congressional offices or government agencies while taking course work on politics, and the service learning program in Cape Town, South Africa, where students work with community organizations on social justice issues.

As you will see, each college offers meaningful and unique programs, courses, student organizations and clubs and activities. What they all share is a commitment to making your Marquette education a transformational experience. The faculty and staff listed in this bulletin will be happy to explain how a Marquette education helps our students “Be the Difference” in the world. I hope you enjoy your visit to the Marquette site!

Sincerely,

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