

Tuition Remains Accessible to Diverse Student Body

The Board of Trustees of Madonna University set the tuition rates for the 1998-99 academic year, maintaining its commitment to keep a Madonna education accessible and most affordable.

The undergraduate regular tuition for the coming year will be \$207 per semester hour; nursing tuition, \$257; and graduate tuition, \$260. Room and board will be \$4,508, which includes a semi-private room and meal plan. Annual full-time tuition based on 30 semester hours, plus registration fees, will be \$6,310, considerably less than the average Michigan independent college tuition of \$12,000.

Board Chairman John Sennett, chairman of Sennett Steel Corporation in Madison Heights, stated, "The challenge for independent colleges and universities is to maintain affordable access to quality educational programs. This modest increase of less than five percent enables Madonna University to remain among the most affordable independent liberal arts institutions in Michigan. It also ensures Madonna students that they will be prepared through their excellent education to compete successfully in the world."

When asked about tuition Madonna students have this to say:

"It's a great school and I love it," said David Roberts, senior criminal justice major from Southgate. "I know tuition is

going up, but that's the way it is. There are a lot of things I like at Madonna. The computers are always up-to-date and the drop-in writing center and computer centers are really nice. This university is definitely student-oriented."

Roberts likes Madonna so much that he has encouraged his friend Kelly Dominick from Detroit to enroll. "Dave had a lot of nice things to say about Madonna and since its location is so accessible to Detroit, I plan on going here in the spring or at the latest next fall." Dominick will major in pre-radiology or pre-nuclear medicine technology.

Adult learners, Beatrice Womack from Detroit and Veronica Murawski of Garden City, students in the long term care administration program, feel that the benefits of a private school are a plus. "Tuition rates at other private schools in Michigan are more expensive," said Beatrice Womack. "I'm in my senior year and I wouldn't go anywhere else. I love it here." Murawski agreed and said that she really is impressed that the faculty give out their home telephone numbers so that they can be reached if students have any problems.

No student at Madonna University pays the full cost of his/her education. Due to the generosity of many benefactors and aggressive fund-raising efforts, students are assessed only 75 to 80 percent of the actual cost.

New Programs Enhance Academics

The American Bar Association has approved the new Nurse Paralegal Program at Madonna University. The program is the only one of its kind in the metropolitan Detroit area.

Designed for the nurse who holds a bachelor of science in nursing degree, the 30-semester hour Certificate of Achievement will be offered as an evening program and students will take only paralegal courses.

A new Certificate of Completion in Dementia Care can be taken as part of the gerontology or long term care administration majors at Madonna. Practitioners may also enroll in courses for continuing education credit.

Health care professionals and the general business community may now take advantage of an online master's degree program offered by Madonna University's School of Business. Courses in the Cohort Online Program (COP) will be delivered by the Internet, e-mail, audio and videotapes over a 23-month period beginning Fall 1998. At the end of the 36-semester hour program, students will earn a master of science degree in business administration, specializing in health care practice management or leadership studies.

Madonna University and New Horizons Computer Learning Centers are collaborating to offer computer training to students. Madonna University will award students college credits for computer classes taken at New Horizons. A joint certification program will offer Microsoft and Novell technical training from New Horizons to prepare students to obtain certification as a Certified Novell Administrator (CNA), Certified Novell Engineer (CNE), or Microsoft Certified Systems Engineer (MCSE). Students may also earn commercial art credit for courses taken in computer graphic applications such as Illustrator, Photoshop and QuarkXPress.

Continually at the forefront of supporting nurses who wish to expand their career, Madonna University has created new graduate certificates in nurse entrepreneurship and nursing education. The certificates are available to nurses in the University's graduate program and to those who already possess a master's degree. The certificate programs are designed for working adults, offering courses after work and on weekends.



Students David Roberts and Kelly Dominick

"Over 50 percent of our students receive financial assistance in addition to this subsidy," said Sr. Francilene, Madonna University president. "We are committed through our Catholic Franciscan educational mission of truth, goodness and service to provide access for students from many different economic, religious, social and cultural backgrounds. Our diverse student body of 4,000 men and women deserves to be taught by quality faculty, to have a wide choice of program offerings and to have the latest technology at their fingertips."

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Financial Aid Available to Madonna Students

Students are encouraged to apply as early as possible to assure full consideration for all types of aid.

Madonna University student Maria Garza was just one of 38 students chosen nationally as recipient of the CBS Foundation Scholarship Program, administered locally by the Michigan Colleges Foundation.

"The Foundation's kindness and generosity has taken a burden off my family financially and encouraged me to keep striving for the best," said Garza, a journalism/public relations major.

One of the many scholarships available to Madonna

students is the Catholic Student Award. Initiated by the University's Board of Trustees, it is a four-year grant awarded to a qualified Catholic student beginning his or her first year at Madonna.

"I was looking for a small Catholic university and Madonna was perfect. The scholarship was a bonus, because I was so certain about Madonna University," said Melanie Stringer, Catholic Student Award recipient.

Nicholas Popadich received a Joseph Stryniawski Endowed Scholarship from

Madonna. "I became familiar with Madonna University during the Summer Institute I attended in 1995. The counselors and professors were very nice and I felt at home," said Popadich, who is majoring in English/journalism and plans to teach after earning his degree.

Contact the Admissions Office at 734/432-5339 for more information.



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Undergraduate Regular	\$207
Nursing	\$257
Graduate	\$260
Room and Board	\$4,508*

*Based on semi-private room and meal plan