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Sacred Heart University currently has 17 buildings on its 56-acre campus and adjoining properties in the northeast corner of Fairfield, Connecticut. The William H. Pitt Health and Recreation Center opened in September 1997, as did significant enhancements of the main academic facilities. Plans also call for expansion of the library, a new classroom building, a free standing chapel, and other improvements.

Academic Center

The Academic Center contains most classrooms and faculty, administrative and academic departmental offices. The Academic Center is divided into four wings: Science Center, Humanities Center, Student Union, and University Commons.

The Science Center includes offices of the Dean and Assistant Dean of Arts and Sciences, Registrar, Student Accounts, and Academic Advising. Also included are the faculty offices for Biology, Chemistry and Mathematics. The Science Center houses many state-of-the-art classrooms and the biology, chemistry, and physics laboratories.

The Humanities Center includes the Academic and Administrative Computing Center, Bookstore, and Faculty Lounge. Also included are the faculty offices for Criminal Justice, Computer Science and Information Technology, English, English as a Second Language, Modern Foreign Language, Psychology and Social Work. The Humanities Center also includes multiple classrooms and computer labs.

The Student Union includes the faculty offices for Campus Ministry, Music, Public Safety, Student Affairs and Student Government, as well as a mul-

tipurpose activity center, housing, chapel, dining halls, Mahogany Room, Gallery of Contemporary Art, Hawley Lounge, mailroom/print shop and Center for the Performing Arts.

University Commons includes offices for public safety, the neuroscience lab, classrooms, a multipurpose assembly room, the Mail and Copy Center, and Campus Operations.

Curtis Hall

Curtis Hall, named after the University founder, the Most Reverend Walter W. Curtis, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese of Bridgeport, houses the offices of Undergraduate and Graduate Admissions, Student Financial Assistance, Career Development, the Center for Irish Cultural Studies, Web Content Management and the Office of the Vice President for Enrollment Planning and Student Affairs. The Community Room also is located in Curtis Hall.

Lieberman Administration Building

The Lieberman Administration Building houses the office of the President; offices of the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs; offices of University College; the Media Studies Center; faculty offices for the departments of Government and Politics, History, Media Studies and Digital Culture, Philosophy and Religious Studies, and Sociology.

Jandrisevits Learning Center (JLC)

The Jandrisevits Learning Center is located in the lower level of the Ryan-Matura Library. The JLC provides specialized tutoring for students with learning disabilities (LDs) as well as for students who are linguistically diverse (ESL). Staffed by highly experienced faculty tutors and well-trained peer tutors, the JLC provides a warm, friendly learning environment where the academic success of individual students is the primary concern. An adaptive technology lab is available for students

with visual, auditory, physical, or learning disabilities. For an appointment, call all 203-371-7820, or come to the Jandrisevits Learning Center.

Oakview Drive

Located off campus in neighboring Trumbull, Connecticut, the building at 101 Oakview Drive houses the office of the Senior Vice President for Finance and Administration, the Business Office, office of Facilities Management and Construction, office of Institutional Research, Motion Analysis Laboratory, Center for Christian-Jewish Understanding, SHU Polling Institute, Center for Spirituality and Ministry, office of the Vice President and Division of Institutional Advancement, Art Department and faculty offices, administrative offices of WSHU Radio, office of the Vice President of Human Resources, department of Human Resources, and Payroll.

Cambridge Drive, College of Education and Health Professions

The faculty offices and many of the instructional spaces of the College of Education and Health Professions are located at Cambridge Drive, a short drive or shuttle ride from the Park Avenue campus. This newly created, 52,000-square-foot facility houses state-of-the-art labs, classrooms, and library facilities for the College, which includes the Departments of Education, Nursing, Physical Therapy and Human Movement, and Occupational Therapy. All graduate study for the College and many laboratory and didactic undergraduate courses are scheduled in this facility. In addition to the highly sophisticated classrooms, laboratories, and library spaces, there are new dining facilities, a physical therapy clinic, a reading clinic, and administrative and faculty offices. There is ample parking and the facility is served by a regular university shuttle service.

Park Avenue House

The Wellness Center, which includes Personal Counseling Services and Health Services, is located in the Park Avenue House at the southeast corner of the campus.

The William H. Pitt Health and Recreation Center

The William H. Pitt Health and Recreation Center is home to the Pioneer men's and women's basketball, volleyball, and wrestling programs, as well as many intramural and recreational programs. The three-level, 141,000-square-foot complex features four multipurpose basketball courts, which can be easily converted for indoor tennis or convention use, and seats 2,100 for basketball. The facility has undergone extensive renovation and equipment upgrades.

The Health and Fitness Center is located on the lower level of the Pitt Center. Offering a wide range of fitness equipment and classes, the 5,000 square foot facility features an enclosed aerobics studio and main fitness area, where the latest generation of cardiovascular exercise machines and free weight equipment can be used. Locker rooms for both the Pioneer athletic teams and Health and Fitness Center members are adjacent to the fitness area. The upper level of the Pitt Center houses the Department of Athletics suite of offices and the Board Room, which serves as a meeting/reception room for the Board of Trustees and other on-campus organizations.

Campus Field

Campus Field is the home of the Pioneer football, men's and women's soccer, field hockey, men's and women's lacrosse, and men's and women's outdoor track and field. Built in 1993, Campus Field features newly installed lights and \$1.2 million state-of-the-art SprintTurf synthetic-surface, multipurpose field. The field is surrounded by an

eight-lane synthetic-surface running track available for competition and recreational use. With a seating capacity of 3,500, Campus Field is an ideal location for large-scale events and has been host to athletic tournaments, graduations and outdoor fairs. Adjacent to Campus Field are six new state-of-the-art tennis courts, a project completed in the Spring of 2007. Rounding out the outdoor athletic facilities, and adjacent to the Sacred Heart tennis courts, is Pioneer Park softball field, most recently upgraded in 2007.

Ryan-Matura Library

The Ryan-Matura Library is the source for information, whether it is the answer to a factual question or research for a term paper. Librarians are available to answer questions and assist students with extended research projects. Instruction sessions are conducted for class groups to familiarize them with the library, with subject-specific research, and the research process. Librarians also assist students with finding information in other libraries, in commercial databases, or on the Internet.

Periodicals and periodical indexes, including newspapers are found in print, film and electronic format. Any book or periodical not found in the library can be obtained from another library through interlibrary loan. Materials can usually be obtained within 10 days.

At present the Ryan-Matura Library holds approximately 125,000 print volumes and 50,000 nonprint items and more than 15,000 periodical subscriptions. These include a significant number of full-text journals available on more than 50 online index and abstracting databases. These can be reached 24 hours a day/7 days a week from links on the library home page. Databases are available from campus and home.

The library's website is located at <http://library.sacredheart.edu>. It provides access to the

library catalog, information about the library, electronic reserve reading, links to research databases and other related information.

The library building also houses the Jandrisevits Learning Center.

Residence Halls

The University currently houses students in nine different facilities: Angelo Roncalli Hall, Elizabeth Ann Seton Hall, Thomas Merton Hall, Christian Witness Commons, Scholars Commons, Park Ridge Apartments, Oakwood Apartments, Park Royal, and Taft Commons. These offer distinct residential lifestyles, from traditional high-rise resident halls to on-campus apartments to off-campus apartments.

Schine Auditorium

The Schine Auditorium, located in the lower level of the Ryan-Matura Library, provides an appropriate setting for lectures, workshops, academic convocations and other special programs. To reserve the 220-seat auditorium, call 203-371-7846 between 8:30am and noon, Monday through Friday.

Community Resources

Center for Christian-Jewish Understanding (CCJU)

The CCJU, an educational and research division of Sacred Heart University, is located at Oakview Drive. The center draws together clergy, laity, scholars, theologians and educators in various modes of interaction to focus on current religious thinking within Christianity and Judaism.

As each tradition reevaluates attitudes toward the other, the center fosters the exploration of the major philosophical and theological issues on the frontier of the Christian-Jewish dialogue, as these are formulated by scholars at the international and national levels.

The center's mission is to develop programs and publications to overcome deep-seated antagonisms, based on centuries of hostility and mutual estrangement, that recent progress has not yet healed. It fosters greater knowledge and understanding of the religious traditions of Christianity and Judaism and the history of their relationship, and provides a forum for dialogue. It promotes independent research and serves as a vehicle for processing and circulating its findings to appropriate institutions around the world.

For further information about the Center for Christian-Jewish Understanding, call 203-365-7592 or visit its website at www.ccju.org.

Center for Strategic Planning for Not-For-Profit Organizations

The Center for Strategic Planning for Not-For-Profit Organizations was established by Sacred Heart University within the John F. Welch College of Business to provide business assistance to qualified groups.

Through the application of skills developed during their studies, teams of MBA students, under the guidance of an experienced advisor, address strategic issues central to the client's longer term viability and effectiveness. In doing so, students provide a valuable service while being exposed to "realities of life" that transcend the formal academic environment.

It is the mission of the Center to engender in the University's MBA students a sense of community and an appreciation for those less fortunate by providing them a unique opportunity to give of their talents in the service of others. Functioning as teams, students will assist not-for-profit organizations with the development and implementation of strategic, business, and marketing plans necessary to meet their goals and objectives. In doing so, students will apply the skills learned in the SHU MBA program in a cooperative effort carried out

in the spirit of the Catholic intellectual tradition to produce an outcome worthy of a grade.

The mission of the Center is directly aligned with, and in support of, key elements of the mission of Sacred Heart University and the John F. Welch College of Business. The Center's office is located at on Oakview campus. For further information call, 203-371-7853.

Edgerton Center for the Performing Arts

Since its opening in 1986, the Edgerton Center for the Performing Arts has presented the Fairfield County community with professional-quality theatrical, musical, and dance performances that are both accessible and affordable. Located on the main campus, the center, with a house that seats 776+, has been host to more than 52,000 patrons from over 29 towns since its opening.

In 2005, the Edgerton embarked on a partnership with Connecticut Family Theatre to establish the center as Connecticut's only professional family theatre. Now offering year-round productions, the Edgerton Center for the Performing Arts features programming designed to complement the educational development and cultural experience of local youth. In addition to offering year-round professional theatre for families, the Edgerton Center also features programming for a variety of audiences.

In addition to offering professional productions to the community, the Edgerton Center for the Performing Arts provides a venue through which Sacred Heart University's students and faculty can express their artistic voice. The Edgerton Center is host to productions from a variety of University organizations including the Concert Choir, Concert Band, Jazz Ensemble, and the SHU Players.

Thanks to the contributions of Charles and Freda Edgerton, the Edgerton Center for the Performing

Arts is a center for all seasons. The theatre is fully renovated and air conditioned, permitting it to remain available to students, faculty, and the community for a wide variety of artistic endeavors.

For all questions and ticketing information, call the box office at 203-371-7908, or visit the center at www.edgertoncenter.org.

The Gallery of Contemporary Art

The Gallery of Contemporary Art presents exhibits of contemporary works of art in a wide variety of approaches and media. The gallery offers exhibits annually, which include a Student Exhibit, an exhibit of the Art Faculty's work and exhibits by professional artists. Most exhibits have associated lectures.

The gallery also administers the University's Collection, the Sculpture on the Grounds program and the Voluntary Percent for Art program. For further information and exhibit hours, call the gallery at 203-365-7650.

Hersher Institute for Applied Ethics

Established in 1993, the Hersher Institute for Applied Ethics serves both the University community and the wider Fairfield County community by addressing issues of major ethical concern. The institute assists Sacred Heart University faculty from all disciplines to raise and examine broad ethical concerns and issues specific to their respective disciplines.

The Hersher Institute brings speakers to campus to address the faculty and provides training for integrating ethical viewpoints into the University curriculum. The institute supports the University's wider mission by cosponsoring, with other departments and institutes, colloquia and conferences that raise important ethical questions for the University scholarly community and the general public. For further information, call 203-365-7657.

The Center for Spirituality and Ministry

The Center for Spirituality and Ministry provides educational and pastoral programs addressing needs and concerns of laity. A special emphasis of the center is to contribute to the spiritual, educational and professional formation of leaders for Church and society in the spirit of *Gaudium et Spes*. Programs sponsored through the center include a certificate in spiritual direction; a certificate in religion for Catholic school educators; and a graduate certificate in pastoral and Catholic school administration, also offered in conjunction with a Master of Teaching degree through the University's College of Education and Health Professions.

The Center for Spirituality and Ministry offices are located in the Administration Building under the aegis of University College and may be reached at 203-371-7843.

Radio Stations

WSHU Public Radio is a professionally operated group of public radio stations licensed to Sacred Heart University with studios and control centers located on the Fairfield campus. A full member of National Public Radio (NPR), it is one of only two such stations in Connecticut and 356 in the United States.

WSHU is the principal public radio source for Fairfield and New Haven Counties in Connecticut and Suffolk County, New York. More than 245,700 listeners tune in to the station's blend of award-winning NPR news and talk programs, locally produced classical music, in-depth regional reporting, and unique entertainment.

WSHU utilizes student support in the form of internships, work-study students, and board operators. It also serves as a lab for audio production.

In addition to its original 91.1 FM signal, WSHU operates two other radio stations—WSUF 89.9 FM

in Noyack, New York, and WSHU 1260 AM in Westport, Connecticut—and seven translators: 90.1 FM (Stamford, CT), 91.3 FM (Huntington Station, NY), 91.7 FM (Ridge, NY), 93.3 FM (Northford, CT), 103.3 FM (Greenport, NY), 105.7 FM (Selden, NY), and 106.5 FM (Derby, CT)

Sports Medicine and Rehabilitation Clinic

The University operates two physical therapy and hand therapy clinic facilities, one on campus affiliated with the academic program in Physical Therapy, and one in Shelton, Connecticut. The on-campus clinic is located in the William H. Pitt Health and Recreation Center and at the Cambridge Drive facility. The clinics provide physical therapy and hand therapy services to students, employees and the public. Clinic staff includes several members of the Physical Therapy program faculty as well as several staff members who are advanced clinicians in orthopedic, sports physical therapy and hand therapy. All are licensed physical therapists. The clinics operate five days per week, 12 hours per day. This clinic service is also closely affiliated with the University's athletic training program to serve the rehabilitation needs of our student-athletes.

The clinical facility features the latest technological equipment in isokinetic testing with a new Biodex II system, a full range of orthopedic and sports physical therapy evaluation resources, a therapeutic pool and a full hand rehabilitation center. Patients of the clinic may take advantage of the comprehensive fitness facilities of the William H. Pitt Health and Recreation Center under the supervision of a Physical Therapy staff member. The clinics are authorized providers for most major medical insurance carriers. For further information, call 203-396-8181.