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American  
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Integrating Liberal Arts,  
Professional Studies, and  
Civic Responsibility

## News and Notes

May 2018

### Drury Student Is Recipient of 2018 NAC&U Award for Student Excellence

We are proud to announce that **Brian Lanigan of Drury University** is the recipient of the 2018 NAC&U Award for Student Excellence, which recognizes students for their knowledge and experience in liberal arts, professional studies or experiential learning, and/or civic engagement.

Mr. Lanigan, a native of Warrenton, Mo., is graduating from Drury University this spring with a degree in chemistry and a minor in philosophy. He will pursue a PhD in organic chemistry at the University of Texas - Austin. Mr. Lanigan has conducted organic chemistry research both at Drury University and the University of Missouri and served as the president of Drury's American Chemical Society chapter. [Read more.](#)



SUMMER INSTITUTE

*Engaging Civility: Leading Dialogue  
In and Beyond the University*

June 19 – June 21, 2018  
Pacific Lutheran University, Tacoma, WA

# 2018 NAC&U Summer Institute

## *Engaging Civility: Leading Dialogue In and Beyond the University*

**June 19 - June 20, 2018  
Pacific Lutheran University, Tacoma, WA**

*Pre-conference meetings on Tuesday, June 19, 2018*

Please see our [event website](#) for more information.

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### **University of Scranton Hosts Congressional Briefing as Part of NAC&U Series**

On Tuesday, May 8, the **University of Scranton** hosted a Congressional Briefing in the Rayburn House Office Building in Washington, DC, to raise awareness of the partnership between their Center for the Analysis and Prevention of Crime (CAPoC) and the Scranton Police Department. CAPoC was established last July to offer criminal justice and sociology students the opportunity to engage with faculty to learn about and apply data management, analysis, and presentation skills to problems facing local criminal justice and social service agencies.



*Elizabeth Scott and Emily Bluhm,  
students at The University of Scranton*

University of Scranton students **Emily Bluhm**, a junior, and **Elizabeth Scott**, a senior, presented on their project which was data analysis of non-residential burglaries in Scranton. **Scranton Police Chief Carl Graziano** then explained that while data analysis is helpful to police, small and medium-sized departments generally do not have the resources to do this type of work so CAPoC is helping to fill that need. According to **Michael Jenkins**, executive director of CAPoC and associate professor of criminal justice, when universities do this type of work, it is generally at the graduate level, so the University of Scranton is proud of the fact that they are able to bring this type of real-world experience to its undergraduate students. [Read more.](#)

### **Welcomes & Send-offs**

#### **Presidents & Provosts**

**Michael Johnson**, provost of Babson College, will begin his term as [John Carroll University's president](#) on July 1.

[Pamela Davies](#) announced that she will retire as president of **Queens University of Charlotte** in June 2019.

**Rev. Scott R. Pilarz** will begin his [second tenure as president of The University of Scranton](#) on July 1, having previously served in this role from 2003 - 2011. **Jeff Gingerich** will also begin as [provost at The University of Scranton](#) on July 1. He succeeds **Joseph Dreisbach** who will be retiring.

**Christopher M. Pietruszkiewicz** begins his role as [president at the University of Evansville](#) on July 1, succeeding **Thomas Kazez** who is retiring after eight years in that role.

[Richard Guarasci](#) announced earlier this year that he will retire as president of **Wagner College** in June 2019. Earlier this week, Tuskegee University announced that it has selected [Lily McNair](#), now provost at Wagner College, as its next president.

**J. Andrew Prall** will begin his tenure as [provost at St. Edward's University](#) of July 1.

**Bethami Dobkins** will become [Westminster College's president](#) on July 1. She succeeds President **Stephen Morgan** who is retiring.

#### Student Affairs Appointment

[John Delony Appointed Associate Provost and Dean of Students for Belmont University](#)

#### New Deans Welcomed

[Queens University of Charlotte Welcomes Timothy Brown as Dean of Knight School of Communication](#)

[U of Evansville Names Ying Shang as Dean of College of Engineering and Computer Science](#)

[Valparaiso University Appoints Susan VanZanten as Dean to Christ College - The Honors College](#)

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## NAC&U Careers

Did you know that you can post and find job openings at NAC&U member campuses on our website?

The enrollment management office at Queens University is looking for a [data administrator](#).

Find this and other postings on [our Job Listings page](#).



**On Thursday, May 3, Calvin College's board of trustees unanimously approved Calvin College becoming Calvin University.**

The move is part of Vision 2030, a statement which provides vision for the college as it fulfills its

mission over the next decade. The shift to university will happen in 2020 during the 100th-anniversary year of Calvin becoming a four-year college. The board's decision follows the unanimous endorsement of the college's faculty senate in late April, marking the culmination of more than nine months of collaborative strategic work taken on by the Calvin community.  
[Read more.](#)

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## Awards & Honors for NAC&U Members and Their Students

[North Central College Designated a 'Changemaker Campus' by Ashoka U](#)  
[University of Evansville is First in Indiana to be Designated an Ashoka U Changemaker Campus](#)

### Fulbright announcements:

[Valparaiso University \(8\)](#)  
[John Carroll University](#)  
[Nazareth College](#)  
*(more expected in June)*

### Truman Scholar announcements:

[Hamline University](#)

### Newman Civic Fellow announcements:

[Hamline University](#)  
[John Carroll University](#)  
[Manhattan College](#)  
[Nazareth College](#)  
[Ohio Northern University](#)  
[Roger Williams University](#)  
[University of La Verne](#)  
[Westminster College](#)  
[Widener University](#)

### Gilman Scholarship announcements:

[Westminster College](#)

### Other Awards & Honors:

[Samford Pharmacy, Public Health Student Meg Boothe Named Schweitzer Fellow](#)

[University of New Haven Students Win Seven Emmys](#)

[Belmont's Student Media Outlet Gamers Top Honors from Tennessee Associated Press](#)

[John Carroll's Student-run Newspaper Earns Recognition from Professional Journalism Organizations](#)

[Calvin College Engineers Take Second Place at Disaster Shelter Design Competition](#)

[Belmont College of Law Students Receive Napier-Looby Bar Foundation Scholarships](#)

[Manhattan College Engineering Students Receive Scholarships from American Council of Engineering Companies](#)

[Roger Williams Student Awarded Fellowship to Study Environmental Change in Marine Ecosystems](#)

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