

Ignatian Award for Professional Achievement

The Ignatian Awards, initiated by the Alumni Association's Awards Committee, commend the accomplishments of Le Moyne College alumni and friends, embodying the spirit of St. Ignatius and the core principles of Jesuit education. The Ignatian Award for Professional Achievement acknowledges exceptional career success and contributions to the College, presented during Reunion and/or Golden Reunion Weekend.

2025 Recipient - Mary M. Case '75



Mary M. Case '75 is dean emerita of the University Library at the University of Illinois-Chicago (UIC), the largest university in the Chicago metropolitan area. A visionary leader, Mary oversaw the transformation of the UIC Library into a digitally robust, patron-centered, inclusive organization from 2004 until 2020. In addition, she co-led the creation of the Chicago Collections Consortium, a collaboration of libraries, museums and archives dedicated to preserving and sharing the cultural history of the Chicago region. Her leadership also helped position UIC as one of three finalists to host the Obama Presidential Library.

Before joining UIC, Mary served from 1996 to 2004 as director of the Office of Scholarly Communication at the Association of Research Libraries in Washington, D.C., where she was instrumental in the development of SPARC, the Scholarly

Publishing and Academic Resources Coalition. She began her career as a serials cataloger at Northwestern University and later advanced to lead serials and acquisition services.

Mary's impact on the field has been significant, particularly through her service with the Association for Library Collections and Technical Services (ALCTS), where she held numerous elected and appointed roles, including president. Her leadership helped shape major initiatives like Preservation Week and expanded professional education across the field. She has also held key roles with the Association of Research Libraries and the Greater Western Library Alliance.

In recognition of her lasting contributions to her profession, Mary has received multiple honors, including the Ross Atkinson Lifetime Achievement Award and an ALCTS Honors citation.

She holds a bachelor's degree in English from Le Moyne College, a master's degree in speech communication from Syracuse University, and a master's degree in library science from the University of Michigan.

2025 Recipient - David C. McCallum, S.J. '90



A visionary leader and dedicated servant of the Church, David C. McCallum, S.J. '90, has devoted his life to advancing the mission of the Society of Jesus through education, spiritual formation and global leadership development. As the executive director of the Program for Discerning Leadership - an international collaboration originally founded by Le Moyne College, the General Curia of the Society of Jesus, the Pontifical Gregorian University, Georgetown University and Escola Superior d'Administració i Direcció d'Empreses - he is helping to form senior Church leaders in the art of discernment and shared leadership.

Father McCallum has served as a trusted adviser within the Vatican, contributing as a member of the Commission on Methodology for the Secretariat of the Synod of Bishops and as a facilitator in the Synod on Synodality. His influence is inspiring transformation in both ecclesial and academic settings.

A cherished member of the Le Moyne community, Father McCallum has held several leadership roles at Le Moyne, including vice president for mission integration and development, interim dean of the Madden College of Business and Economics, and special assistant to the president. Father McCallum's legacy includes working with others to develop a number of impactful programs at Le Moyne, such as Manresa, the College's Ignatian formation initiatives, and the Inside the L program.

Beyond higher education, Father McCallum helped to found the Jesuit Collaborative, which promotes access to the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius of Loyola, and co-founded Contemplative Leaders in Action, a leadership development program for young professionals grounded in Ignatian spirituality. He has become an internationally recognized expert in the spiritual and practical formation of leaders.

Father McCallum earned a bachelor's degree in English from Le Moyne College and was ordained a Catholic priest in 2001. He holds a master's degree in philosophy from Fordham University, a master's degree in divinity and a licentiate degree in theology from the Weston Jesuit School of Theology, and a doctoral degree in adult learning and leadership from Teachers College at Columbia University. Le Moyne College awarded him an honorary doctorate in 2021 in recognition of his extraordinary contributions to the College and the global Church.

Previous Recipients

Year	Recipient
1994	Grace S. Wolff, M.D. '61
1995	Eugene J. Barone, M.D. '72
1996	Carl J. Schramm, Ph.D. '68
1997	James M. McLaughlin '72
1998	General John T. Coyne USMCR '59
1999	Jerry Brown, M.D. '70
2001	Mary Margaret Green, M.D. '76
2002	James J. Malvaso '72
2003	Maureen K. Byrnes '78
2004	John "Jack" L. Curry '74 Col. Patrick J. Malvaso '64 Dr. Mary Lou O'Brien McCloskey '69
2005	The Rev. Charles M. Major '55
2006	Fredrick M. Valerino '51 Kathryn Howe Ruscitto '76 Alan F. Coffey jr. '66
2007	Rita (Convy) Wittich '67 Dr. Dennis Bier '62
2008	Jo Renee Formicola '63 The Hon. Eugene Pigott '68

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2009	Michael Holland '69 Mari Dell Sharbutt Ridge '59
2010	John Purcell '65 Mary Ann Corasaniti '65
2011	Katherine Purcell '66 J. Thomas Mullen '66 (<i>Posthumously</i>)
2012	Paul Warren '72 and Katherine Norton-Warren '72
2013	Mr. Thomas Barrett '68 Michael Green '83
2014	Dr. Michael Magee '69 Paul Mello '89
2015	Steven Infanti '70
2016	Joseph K. Samuels '66, Ph.D. Russell P. Tracy '71, Ph.D.
2017	RoAnn M. Destito '77 John F. Keiser '67
2018	Phillip Harlow '73 Gerald Fralick '68
2019	Edward M. Cupoli '74, Ph.D Linda (Masters) Northrop '69
2020	Bill E. Boden '70 Coleen R. Littlejohn '75
2021	Leonard Sicilian '71 Tina (Zmijewski) Dolph '91

Previous Recipients

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2022	Kristin (Hagelin) Kent '72 John T. Lillis '77
2023	Nitza Milagros Escalera '73 Susan Stratton '78
2024	Vincent Boudreau, Ph.D. '84
2025	David C. McCallum, S.J. '90