

Founded in 1933 by the Sisters of the Presentation of Mary and Sister Madeleine of Jesus, Rivier University is a Catholic institution of higher education dedicated to **transforming hearts and minds to serve the world**.

Committed to the faith heritage, intellectual tradition, and social teachings of the Roman Catholic Church, the University educates the whole person in the context of an academic community that cultivates critical thought, sound judgment, and **respect for all people**. This community supports the intellectual growth of all its members while offering them opportunities for social, cultural, moral, and spiritual development. The challenge to the University community is to **search for truth** through the **dialogue between faith and reason**.

Rivier creates an environment in which integrated learning is the shared responsibility of students, faculty, staff, and administrators, and is pursued in all the curricular and co-curricular programs of the University. To participate in the life of Rivier University is to strive for academic excellence, to take **responsibility for ourselves and for others**, and to engage in **dialogue about basic human issues** facing society, especially the **plight of the poor and powerless**. The University extends to all of its members, and also to the greater community, an invitation to join in intellectual inquiry and dialogue.

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