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Dear Neighbor,

The *Class of 2018 Hawks* will be graduating in four weeks and summer will be here soon. While there are fewer community events during the summer, the campus stays vibrant. We hope you took the opportunity to join us at an event this year but if not we hope to see you in the fall. Look for your Community Clips in mid-August and many more opportunities for you to participate with the campus community. Have a wonderful summer!

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## GENERAL UNIVERSITY NEWS

**Commencement** is Saturday, May 19, 2018 on Curran Lawn.

The Undergraduate ceremony will be held at 9 AM and the Graduate and Doctoral ceremony will be held at 3 PM

**Cardinal Ave. will be closed from Overbrook Ave. to City Ave.  
Friday, May 18, 2018 at 6:00 PM to Sunday, May 20, 2018 at 8:00 AM**

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## Welcome Jill Bodensteiner!

Saint Joseph's University introduced Jill Bodensteiner as its new director of athletics, marking the appointment of a new athletics director for the first time in 30 years. She succeeds the legendary Don DiJulia '67, who recently announced his retirement after serving his 50th year in college athletics and 35th as Saint Joseph's athletics director.

## Faculty Highlights

**Saint Joseph's is pleased to announce that two of its community members received a Grammy**

Soprano Rebecca Siler and staff accompanist John Grecia were recognized for Best Choral Performance for their work on the album Gavin Bryars: The Fifth Century, commissioned by The Crossing, a professional chamber choir conducted by Donald Nally, and premiered with PRISM Saxophone Quartet.

**Data scientists lead the charge for more successful substance abuse treatment**

With the increase of deaths related to substance, opioid and alcohol abuse, the need for outcomes' analysis in relation to rehabilitation centers has arisen. Virginia Miori, Ph.D., Kathleen Campbell Garwood, Ph.D., and Catherine Cardamone '18 teamed up with the Futures of Palm Beach rehabilitation center in their study "Forecasting Treatment Outcomes for the Futures Drug and Alcohol Rehabilitation Center," published in Emerald Insight's Advances in Business and Management Forecasting, Vol. 12.

**Institute of Clinical Bioethics Researches Safe Injection Sites**

Medical ethicist Peter Clark, S.J., institute director to head a study team consulting with Philadelphia's Office of the Mayor, Office of the District Attorney and the Health Commissioner. The study will be conducted by ICB fellows, two residents at Mercy Hospital in Philadelphia, and four medical students at Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine (PCOM), including SJU alum Sam Schadt '14 and MBA candidate John Dubensky.

"Philadelphia has one of the highest rates of death due to overdose in any city in the country, and it is imperative that we try numerous methods to save these lives," says ICB director Peter Clark, S.J. '75. "As a Jesuit university that follows Ignatian values and ideals, it makes sense for Saint Joseph's to be on the forefront of helping these individuals."

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**Community Recreation Memberships** - A limited number of recreation memberships are now available for members of the Wynnefield Residence Association, Merion Civic Association, Overbrook Farms Club and the Neighbors Club of Bala Cynwyd. This is a pilot program utilizing the Hagan Recreation Center on the Philadelphia side of campus. To purchase one of the limited memberships go to our community site at <https://sites.sju.edu/community/>

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## Additional Events

**Music @ 11** Thursday, 4/26, 11 – 11:30AM The Department of Music, Theatre & Film invites you to Music @ 11 in the Chapel of Saint Joseph at 11:00 AM. This free concert series features student performers from the music program.

**Songs for a New World** (by Jason Robert Brown) 4/26-29, 8 – 10pm Tickets are to be purchased from the box office, located in the lobby of the Bluett Theatre in Post Hall. The box office opens one hour prior to showtimes. The box office accepts cash or check only. Students with ID, faculty, staff and seniors - \$10, General Admission is \$20

**University Singers Concert** Monday, 4/30, 7:30 – 8:30PM Please join us for an evening of wonderful singing by the University Singers! Free Chapel of St. Joseph.

**Student Piano & Chamber Music Recital** Tuesday, 5/1, 7– 9PM Please join us for the Student Piano & Chamber Music Recital in the Ensemble Room of the Nicoletti Music Studio (Maguire Campus)

**Senior Thesis Film Screening** Friday, 5/4, 8 – 9:30PM Please join us for the Senior Thesis Film Screening in Forum Theatre (Campion Student Center). Admission is free and all are welcome.

**Senior Music Recital: Austin Sbarra** Saturday, 5/5, 7– 8PM Please join us for the senior music recital of Austin Sbarra in the Ensemble Room of the Nicoletti Music Studio. Admission is free and all are welcome.

**Student Voice Recital** Monday, 5/7, 7 – 9PM Please join us for the Student Voice Recital in the Chapel of Saint Joseph. Students from the voice studios of Dr. Misoon Ghim and Professor Rebecca Siler will perform.

**Student Guitar Recital** Tuesday, 5/8, 8 – 9PM Please join us for the Student Guitar Recital in the Chapel of Saint Joseph. Students from the guitar studio of Dr. Cale Hoeflicker will perform. Admission is free.

For More Events: **SJU Events Calendar**

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### Gov. Wolf Awards *It's on Us PA Grant* to Saint Joseph's University

The Pennsylvania Department of Education announced on Tuesday, March 13 that Saint Joseph's University has received \$30,000 to strengthen its ability to combat sexual misconduct. The University is one of 39 institutions across the state to receive a total of \$950,000 in grants as a part of Gov. Tom Wolf's It's On Us PA campaign.

"Since launching two years ago, It's On Us PA has helped dozens of Pennsylvania colleges and universities to develop programs to prevent sexual assault and establish campus cultures where sexual assault and harassment are not tolerated," says Wolf.

SJU's Title IX Coordinator Mary-Elaine Perry, Ed.D., assistant vice president for student development, says the grant forms part of a larger University initiative to prevent and respond to issues of sexual misconduct. The Office of Student Life will use the funds for student resource materials listing on and off campus support, acquire a new system for reporting and responding to incidents, create a new orientation video for incoming SJU students and bring activist and educator Jackson Katz, Ph.D., to campus to speak about preventing sexual violence.

Launched by Wolf in 2016, It's On Us PA is a statewide initiative, built on the national movement developed by President Obama. The state campaign invites all Pennsylvanians to play a role in ending sexual misconduct.

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### Why attend SJU as a visiting student?

- Be part of a dynamic Jesuit University setting, where care and education for the whole person is prioritized, and students are challenged to do more.
- Work closely with a variety of students and expert faculty members in small classes
- Catch up on coursework for upcoming semesters or ease your course load for future semesters.
- Save money with a special visiting student tuition rate, with most classes being three (3) credit courses.
- Sample classes in another program of interest before changing majors or adding a minor
- Add skills to your resume that employers are looking for to help you stand out

<https://www.sju.edu/information/visiting-students-and-summer-courses>

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