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St. Margaret's Episcopal School is Orange County's premier, independent school, educating 1,250 students — preschool through grade 12 — not only as college-bound graduates, but as productive, healthy and happy children today and successful citizens tomorrow.

St. Margaret's remains unrivaled as a leading academic institution where people, character and values stand at the center of its mission, side by side with scholarly pursuit and academic excellence. The curriculum is strong and balanced, engaging and challenging students from the youngest age to discover and cultivate their unique talents and passions, to pursue their studies at the highest levels and to always seek new growth and learning.

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The school invests heavily in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM), with robotics and engineering programs beginning in kindergarten. By Middle School, which will open a new, state-of-the-art campus in August 2015, students learn with tablet devices. In Upper School, students innovate and create in a state-of-



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More than 60 percent of St. Margaret's renowned faculty hold advanced degrees and are engaged in the life of each student. Teachers, advisors, three college counselors, chaplains and coaches provide a solid framework of guidance and support. Through small class sizes, every student is known and nurtured.

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Founded in 1979, St. Margaret's is guided by its mission to educate the hearts and minds of young people for lives of learning, leadership and service. The school's Episcopal identity guides its inclusive community that values faith and reason, embraces debate and differences, and emphasizes the spiritual and intellectual development of each child.

For more information on St. Margaret's Episcopal School, call 949.661.0108 or visit www.smes.org.

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The Mihaylo MBA

A world-class business education

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Mihaylo College features nationally recognized faculty, award-winning students, forward-looking curriculum and flexible programs, which attract talented and diverse students from around the globe. Mihaylo is the only business school in Orange County, and one of only five in California, to hold a prestigious dual accreditation from the AACSB in business administration and accounting. Only 5 percent of business schools worldwide have achieved this distinction. In addition, Mihaylo College is recognized annually by Princeton Review as one of the "Best Business Schools," and by U.S. News & World Report as one of the top part-time MBA programs.

Add to that our unmatched alumni base of over 55,000 Mihaylo graduates -- and you've got an unbeatable choice: Mihaylo.

Mihaylo and Orange County: An Economic Marriage and Powerhouse Combination

Mihaylo fuels the economic and corporate success of Orange County and Southern California. The College instills in its graduates a strong core business knowledge, critical thinking skills and motivation, thereby putting them in a position to contribute to the success of area businesses. The College serves as a thought leader contributing to the economic progress of Southern California. Mihaylo graduates work across the country and internationally, and with more than 40,000 graduates living in Southern California. This advantage makes Mihaylo College of Business and Economics the dominant driving force of business in our region.

Southern California: A Word-Class Region

Southern California is one of the most vibrant and diverse business communities in the United States. It is a gateway to the Pacific Rim and a global nexus for business. Being a major force in this region, coupled with the largest alumni base of any Southern California business school, is an advantage few can match.

The MBA and Other Graduate Curriculum at Mihaylo

Mihaylo offers challenging curriculum, team projects and intense field experiences that give our students a competitive edge. The 33-45 unit curriculum develops students through case method, team building, integrated curriculum and working with area businesses. It gives a broad, strategic managerial perspective, balancing theory with practical application, and strengthens leadership skills. The program gives students a comprehensive, world-class education which they tailor specifically to their professional goals with 10 foundational/interdisciplinary courses and a four course concentration. The program culminates with the Business Strategy Capstone where students consult for area businesses. Mihaylo students have placed in the top 10 for the last 20 years in the Small Business Institute national competition.

Mihaylo offers both full-time and part-time MBA programs.

► The Full-Time MBA (FT) program, offered at the CSUF Fullerton campus, is delivered as an accelerated, cohort-based program. It features the innovative



The MBA program consists of applied learning and collaborative teamwork.

Mihaylo Leadership Academy, personalized career services coaching, and an international trip within the fee structure.

► The Fully-Employed MBA (FEMBA) program, offered at the CSUF Irvine campus, attracts students with significant professional experience. This accelerated, cohort-based program creates an immediate professional network. All courses are scheduled to accommodate working professionals. An international travel course is available for interested students.

► The Flexible MBA (FLEX) program, offered at the CSUF Fullerton campus, provides a flexible evening program. It offers 13 different areas of concentration and can be completed as either a full-time or part-time evening program. An international travel course is also available for interested students.



Other Master's options include the Master's in Accountancy, Master's in Taxation, Master's in Information Systems and Master's in Economics. Mihaylo is a preferred recruiting school for the Big Four and the regional accounting firms in the Los Angeles and Orange County areas. Excelling in online graduate education, the Master's in Information Technology (online) is ranked #6 in the nation and #1 in California for online graduate business programs by U.S. News & World Report.

Mihaylo Hall and the World-Class Resources at CSUF

Mihaylo Hall opened August 2008 with state-of-the art classrooms, technology, computer labs, study areas and meeting rooms. The dynamic learning environment utilizes specifically designed classrooms to develop the leadership, teamwork and technological competence the business community demands. The 195,000-square-foot building is home to all faculty, students and 15 Centers of Excellence. These Centers are faculty-led and engage in advanced research, consulting with area businesses and business development activities.

The Strength of a Mihaylo MBA: The Faculty and Students

More than 165 full-time faculty create strength through diversity in education, experience and cultural backgrounds. Mihaylo faculty work in the real world and prepare students for the global marketplace. They do this by integrating the classroom with the best business practices, technology, award-winning research, functional applications and real world experience. At Mihaylo, teaching and research go together. All graduate courses are taught by highly qualified faculty who've proven themselves as researchers and instructors, as well as in industry. This attracts students from across the globe, which creates a dynamic classroom experience where students learn from both peers and professors.

Pursuing a Mihaylo MBA

Take the next step in your career; earn an MBA from Mihaylo. Attend one of the regularly scheduled information sessions and apply early.

For more information on Mihaylo MBA programs, visit mba.fullerton.edu or call 657.278.1020.

MBA Contact

Melissa Lopez, Ph.D., serves as the Director of MBA and graduate programs. She is responsible for attracting and supporting students and alumni who reflect Mihaylo College's high standards, as well as extending the reach of the college's world-class graduate programs to out-of-state students and to the global community.



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Vice President, Global Commercial Banking
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Jamie and Todd Lohr, founders of Piggy Boxes and business graduates from Concordia University Irvine.

Concordia Couple's 'Piggy' Business Makes Moving Easier with Eco-Friendly Boxes

When a pink truck with a pig's face on the side pulls into your neighborhood, it can only mean one thing: Someone just hired Piggy Boxes, the reusable plastic moving box company founded by Concordia University Irvine alums Jamie '14 and Todd Lohr '09.

"Having worked for the Irvine Company doing property management and apartment leasing while attending Concordia, I thought reusable moving boxes was an interesting concept," says Todd. "I was familiar with the moving process. We did some research, and Jamie and I looked at each other and said, 'Why not do this?'"

They launched the business in 2012, renting reusable plastic moving boxes for an easier and more eco-friendly moving experience than what people get with cardboard boxes. Piggy Boxes delivers pink, plastic boxes to a customer's current home and, when he or she is done moving, Piggy Boxes picks them up. The new business has rented close to 10,000 boxes in less than two years.

"We flew by the seat of our pants and still are. Every day we wake up to a new challenge," Todd says. "We haven't had any unhappy customers. We provide a great service and I think people really get that."

The concept of renting reusable plastic moving boxes had proven popular in East Coast cities, and the Lohrs' research showed 20 or 30 franchises already operating in the U.S. and Canada. The Lohrs scoured those companies' websites, Facebook pages and Yelp to see what customers were saying, then dived into the particulars of building the business: What kind of trucks and boxes should they use? What was the pricing structure, the rental time period and so on?

One of the first challenges was to figure out the box itself. Todd looked at a lot of manufacturers and created sample products with one from overseas, but the quality was poor and the Lohrs wanted their boxes to be made in America anyway. They soon found a manufacturer in Kansas that could produce their distinctive, sturdy, pink piggy boxes.

Their first customer came within a couple of weeks of launching their website. A competitor had been renting reusable boxes in Orange County, but migrated to a different business model, leaving the field open for Piggy Boxes to capture customers searching for moving box rentals. Todd's relationship with the Irvine Company helped, too. He was allowed to go to apartment complexes and pass out flyers to potential customers.

"We're selling a product and service people aren't familiar with," he says. "Moving hasn't changed in hundreds of years," and so the concept of renting and returning moving boxes has to be explained. "With cardboard boxes you have to tape them up, worry about them falling apart and dispose of them after you're done unpacking. Our service makes moving easier and much more convenient."

Today, most of their business comes from online searches.

"We hope to catch people before they go to U-Haul or Lowe's and fill their car up with cardboard boxes," he says. "A woman yesterday called and said, 'I'm on my way to buy cardboard boxes. Sell me on you guys instead of buying cardboard.' And she became a customer of ours."

Todd understands what people are feeling when they change residences.

"[In my former job] I leased people apartments, toured apartments with them, found out what they liked about their current home and what they wanted in their next," says Todd.



Concordia University Irvine



"So moving to this business, I knew what to expect in people's emotions. When I drop off the boxes, I know what frame of mind they're in."

One unexpected challenge: "Cleaning the boxes is harder than I thought," Todd says. "I don't want anyone getting a dirty or sticky box. We spend two to three minutes on almost each box we get back to get it ready for the next customer. That's by far the biggest thing. I didn't think it would take nearly that long, vacuuming, spraying, wiping, cleaning."

He also wondered if the pink theme would work out. He leaned on wife Jamie's marketing expertise, learned at Concordia University, which came in handy when deciding how to brand their business.

"We chose pink to stand out from the competition," Todd says. "Our truck is pink, I wear pink, our dolly is pink. We wanted an image that people would laugh at, so we came up with a pig. People laugh, but it also prompts them to ask, 'What's going on?' That gives us a chance to say, 'Next time you're moving, look at us and

see what you think."

At first, he says, people were confused about why things were pink, but "now I get nothing but good feedback," Todd says. "In the majority of households, it's the woman at home online doing the searches. So we appealed to women: 'These boxes are so cute!' It makes moving more glamorous."

Todd, a business management major at Concordia University, says he had "a great experience at Concordia. I found my wife there and was exposed to the network of the business community. I wouldn't be where I am now if I hadn't gone there. I met people, learned things and got a job from the Irvine Company through a connection with someone at Concordia. It had always been my dream to be a business person in Orange County and be successful."

Now he's living that dream, one pink box at a time.

About the School of Business at Concordia University Irvine

The School of Business is home to the largest undergraduate program on Concordia's campus, with over 375 students enrolled in Economics and Business Administration with emphases in accounting, finance, international business, management, marketing and sport management. Concordia's growing MBA program, with over 150 students, is designed with a focus on business practice with flexibility for working professionals. Our faculty are all successful business owners and entrepreneurs who also mentor students and help them develop their talents. The School of Business is home to The Center for Faith and Business, the annual Faith & Business Forum, the Business Insight Series, the Center for Public Policy, the Teen Entrepreneurship Academy, and the Institute for Strategic Marketing, a program where faculty and students work with companies and business owners to address their marketing needs. Concordia's School of Business combines the best of theory and the best of practice, a "learn by doing" experience that drives innovation.

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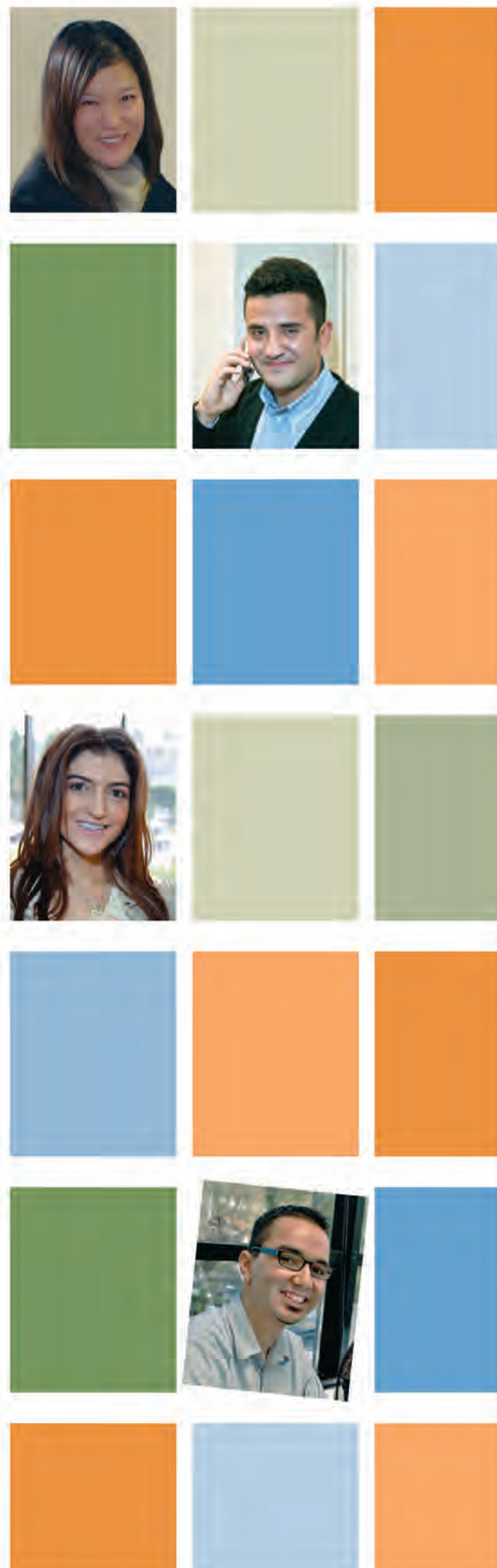
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UC Irvine's Merage School Team-Based Learning, Personalization Drive Strong MBA and Specialized Masters Programs

Masters students at UC Irvine's Paul Merage School of Business are thriving due to the School's commitment to excellence in business education and the immense personal attention and team-based learning provided to our students during their graduate education. The Merage School offers four MBA programs: a Full-Time MBA, Fully Employed MBA (FEMBA), Executive MBA (EMBA) and a Health Care Executive MBA (HCEMBA) program. In addition, the School offers PhD, undergraduate business degrees and three specialized masters programs, a Masters in Professional Accountancy, an MS in Biotechnology Management and an MS in Engineering Management.

"I had several goals when entering the MBA program: launching a successful

them to the next level in their careers," said Tony Hansford, senior assistant dean of the part-time and executive MBA programs at the Merage School. "We want every student to be challenged by their peers, and be held accountable for their individual contributions to team projects. This approach gives our students the confidence to handle any type of management challenge."

Building Business Acumen and the Value of World-Class Resources

"The Executive MBA Program provided me a strategic perspective on leadership in a global environment, delivered the right level of business knowledge to enhance my ability to make impactful decisions, and equipped me for success in achieving my career goals," said Sharon Singleton, EMBA '13, Director of Enterprise Application Services for First American Title.



Jon Rettinger, FEMBA '11
President and Founder, TechnoBuffalo LLC

business, becoming a better leader and overall personal growth," said Jon Rettinger, FEMBA '11, president and founder of TechnoBuffalo LLC. "I can honestly say all of my goals were realized and it was one of the best experiences of my life," he added.

"Venture capitalists weren't willing to talk to me before I started at the Merage School," noted Rettinger. "Then, several faculty and staff members facilitated connections to executives they believed would be interested in my concept. Shortly thereafter, my business was born; TechnoBuffalo is now in the top-tier of technology blogs with over 6.4 million page views per month. The Merage School MBA gave me the skills and confidence to launch me on my career path."

Like Rettinger, all MBA students have direct access to world-renowned faculty who look forward to meeting each student and helping them succeed in and out of the classroom. Merage professors provide a challenging, yet highly personalized, learning environment creating an educational experience tailored to each student, helping them achieve their unique career goals.

The personalization strategy of the Merage School has served prospective students well. "Over the last few years, we increased our focus on personalization even in our recruitment efforts. We held more recruitment events, increased our student outreach and the involvement of our faculty, current students and alumni in recruitment efforts," said Gerardo Okhuysen, professor and associate dean of masters programs at the Merage School.

Commitment to Unparalleled Educational Quality

"We have made a commitment to our students to provide the highest quality MBA education possible," said Eric R. Spangenberg, dean of the Merage School. "Our faculty, students, staff and the business community give us invaluable feedback on how we can continue to improve our curriculum and resources to better meet the demands of our students and the employers that hire them. We listen closely and implement many suggestions. This open dialogue provides tremendous value to our School and to our students."

Upon entry into the Merage School, students are assigned to small study teams that are maintained throughout the program. These teams are hand-selected by faculty and staff to provide a diverse, balanced learning experience for the students and help them develop strong teamwork and leadership skills.

"By personally assigning teams, we challenge our students to thrive academically and develop the teamwork and management skills that will take



Michael Miyamoto, MD, FACC, HCEMBA '12
Cardiologist for Mission Internal Medical Group

According to Michael Miyamoto, MD, FACC, HCEMBA '12, cardiologist for Mission Internal Medical Group, "My experience gave me the tools and inspiration for innovation and entrepreneurship – essential to success in our constantly changing health care landscape." During his Merage School experience, Dr. Miyamoto put his entrepreneurial ideas into action. In 2011, Dr. Miyamoto was among five teams of scientists awarded up to \$100,000 each to commercialize their ideas for new, lower-cost health care technologies. The new innovations addressed long-standing needs for more affordable and efficient chronic disease management and preventive health care, particularly in underserved communities.

Miyamoto was awarded \$75,000 for a system he created related to heart failure monitoring and disease management.

Top Rankings and Accolades You Can Rely On

The Merage School is one of the top 25 business schools in the U.S. and in the top 50 worldwide, according to a 2015 *Financial Times* ranking that now places the school among the top 5 percent of all programs accredited by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business in the U.S. The Merage School is:

- ▶ **Top 25** in the U.S., **No. 7** in the U.S. for public, **No. 21** in the U.S. overall, and **No. 1** globally for percentage of women faculty (*Financial Times*, 2015)
- ▶ **Top 10** in the West for Part-Time MBA programs (*Businessweek*, 2013)
- ▶ **Top 25** Executive MBA program in the U.S. (*U.S. News & World Report*, 2013 EMBA program ranking)
- ▶ **10th** among U.S.-only-based Executive MBA programs, and 44th in the world (*Financial Times*, 2012 EMBA Global Rankings Report)
- ▶ **Top-tier** global ranking (*Businessweek*, 2013 ranking of Executive MBA programs)
- ▶ **Top 30** nationally for Health Care Executive MBA among health care master degree programs (*Modern Healthcare*, 2014)

Located in the heart of America's Tech Coast, the Merage School combines the academic strengths and best traditions of the University of California with the cutting-edge, entrepreneurial spirit of Orange County.

The Fully Employed MBA is accepting applications for Spring 2015 and Fall 2015; the Full Time MBA, Executive MBA, Health Care Executive MBA and specialized masters programs are accepting applications for Fall 2015. For more information on our MBA and specialized masters programs, visit merage.uci.edu/mbaprograms or call 949.824.4565 to speak with an admissions advisor.

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As the landscape for college acceptance becomes ever more competitive, it's increasingly important for kids to do well in school. Students like Josh, a 16-year-old aspiring filmmaker with severe ADD, don't need to think that a college education is out of reach because of their learning differences. For someone like Josh, who is extremely bright and talented, he needs to do well in school in order to reach his dreams of going to film school, and he needs a school that will make this possible. Not helping a student like Josh get the education he needs would be a disservice to him.

Josh came to Halstrom Academy a year ago, and since then his nearly failing grades have, as he says, "completely turned around. Before Halstrom, I felt that getting into a high-caliber university was not going to happen – but now, that's definitely a possibility. And that really gives me a lot of incentive to continue getting really good grades."

Students at Halstrom meet with their teachers one-on-one, so there is no room for distractions, hiding in the back of class or feeling inferior to other students in the classroom. 1:1 instruction at Halstrom Academy creates a pathway to success for many students who can benefit from customized teaching and flexible



scheduling, particularly students who have learning issues such as ADHD, dyslexia and social anxiety, and students in search of a bullying-free environment. Also, students such as aspiring actors and athletes, who can benefit from flexible class scheduling, find Halstrom the ideal education solution.

"I think sometimes parents accept the traditional school model, even when their kids aren't doing well in school because they don't know there are other options," says Josh's father, Werner. "Parents shouldn't accept having a 'C' student because the traditional school can't meet their needs. Parents need to know that alternative school programs exist that are designed to help kids be successful. Halstrom Academy is a great alternative to the traditional

school model."

Halstrom offers robust college preparatory and Advanced Placement programs, as well as 1:1 SAT preparation, college counseling and tutoring. Each campus provides a small, caring environment that fosters strong three-way communication between parents, students and teachers. This allows students to flourish in an educational structure that is tailored specifically to their individual needs and learning styles.

Halstrom Academy is WASC Accredited, UC/CSU Certified and NCAA Approved, and offers open enrollment for students on a full-time or part-time basis. Orange County campuses are located in Anaheim Hills, Huntington Beach, Mission Viejo and Newport Beach. For more information, visit Halstrom4U.com or call 866.991.3972.

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“Vanguard was an important part of helping us start Wahoo’s Fish Taco,” says Vanguard alum Ed Lee ’87, co-founder and CEO of Wahoo’s Fish Taco. “The theories and work ethic I learned in the financing and marketing courses helped us, and the professors were instrumental. Unlike at a bigger school, Vanguard gives you a one-on-one experience.”

Small class sizes and professors who care make the difference at Vanguard. We believe learning goes beyond the classroom and happens in the context of relationships with faculty and other students. Our professors serve as mentors inside and outside the classroom, giving students the knowledge they need and the wisdom to apply it in the real world.

Vanguard’s faculty is simply outstanding. Our professors advise U.S. presidents, win national theater awards, pioneer scientific research in China, perform at Carnegie Hall and the Hollywood Bowl, and much more. Seventy percent of our professors hold doctorates in their field from some of the most prestigious universities in the world. Those same professors teach every course and mentor students at Vanguard. No one gets lost in the back of a lecture hall, and at Vanguard, graduate students never teach our classes.

For 90 years, this personalized approach has yielded a distinguished list of alums – leading scientists, best-selling authors, network television producers, high-level military leaders and world-changing business leaders.

“I fell in love with Vanguard,” says Kristina Kuzmic-Crocco ’01, host of *Kristina’s Fearless Kitchen* on the Oprah Winfrey Network. “My time there helped me become more confident being in front of people, and I made lifelong friends.”

Larry Mantle, founder and host of AirTalk on NPR affiliate KPCC, and winner of multiple Golden Mic awards, says his experience at Vanguard shaped his life and career.

“I love Vanguard,” says Mantle. “I have such positive feelings about the university. It’s a very important part of my life. The professors had a profound impact on me. I wouldn’t be the person I am without my years at Vanguard.”

With more than 30 majors and concentrations to choose from, Vanguard University has a path for everyone. Best-selling author and brain scan pioneer Dr. Daniel Amen ’78 says his undergraduate education at Vanguard put him on course to become a leader in the medical profession.

“I really love Vanguard. My whole experience there was wonderful,” says Amen. “I had incredibly good teachers and got a terrific education.”

Two thousand miles away in Washington, D.C., Nathan Gonzales says Vanguard helped launch him into his career as a nationally-known political analyst. Gonzales is the political editor of the *Rothenberg Political Report*, which gives in-depth analysis of congressional, senatorial and gubernatorial races across the country. He is frequently quoted in the *Wall Street Journal*, *New York Times*, *Washington Post*, *Los Angeles Times* and *USA Today*, and has appeared on Fox News Channel, CNN and more.

“At Vanguard, I discovered that there is more to learning than sitting in a classroom,” says Gonzales, who discovered his passion for politics when he spent a semester as an intern at the White House press office in the West Wing.

No matter the area of study, Vanguard gives students the understanding they need to think critically, communicate clearly and interact intelligently – taking them places they never thought possible.

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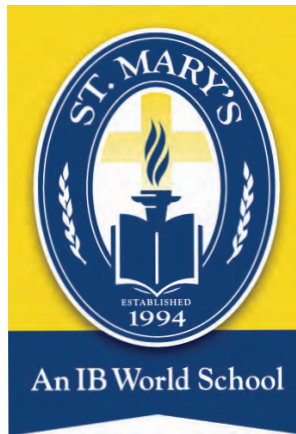


St. Mary's

An IB World School for Integrated, Lasting Learning

The world is dynamically connected today in ways that did not exist even 10 years ago. With the advent of the Internet and technological advances, the pace of change is exponential. The challenge for our education system is to provide curriculum that keeps up with this pace of change. We believe that the International Baccalaureate (IB) Program is poised to meet this challenge.

St. Mary's is the only primary and middle school in Orange County to offer the International Baccalaureate Program. St. Mary's delivers exceptional academics with a world-view to students from early preschool through eighth grade. The IB Program was founded in Switzerland in 1968 to prepare internationally mobile students for university. Today, it offers educational programs for students worldwide ranging in age from three to 19 by a community of educators motivated to create a better world through education. This kind of aspirational goal requires faculty excellence – over 70 percent of St. Mary's teachers hold advanced degrees – and



demands stimulating, individualized interaction. Teacher to student ratios at St. Mary's range from 1:6 in Early Preschool, to 1:11 in Lower School, to 1:18 by the Middle School years.

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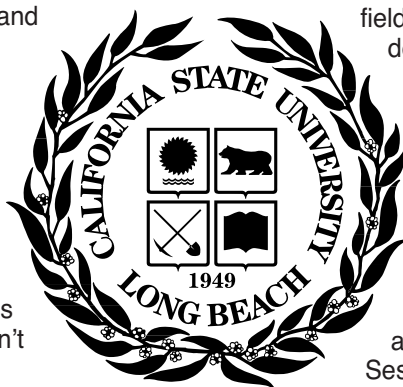
You've been thinking lately about how best to move your life and career forward. But where should you start?

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