

2005-2006



# College Guide

**Parents looking to send** their children off to *authentically* Catholic universities and colleges may feel confused about which institutions are truly Catholic — and not just Catholic in name only.

After all, recent studies show that students are, if anything, *more* likely to lose their faith at Catholic universities than at secular ones. The *National Catholic Register* found that few Catholic universities followed Canon Law requirements.

The Church requires:

**An Oath of Fidelity.** Canon 833 says “the rector of an ecclesiastical or catholic university” and “those who in any

universities teach subjects which deal with faith or morals” ... “are personally bound to make a profession of faith in the presence of their bishop.”

**The Mandatum.** Canon 812 reads: “It is necessary that those who teach theological disciplines in any institute of higher studies have a mandatum from the competent ecclesiastical authority.”

No parent wants to spend a lot of money at a school that could have disastrous consequences for a child. Yet most universities refuse to say whether or not they fulfill Canon Law requirements. Here are some who would.

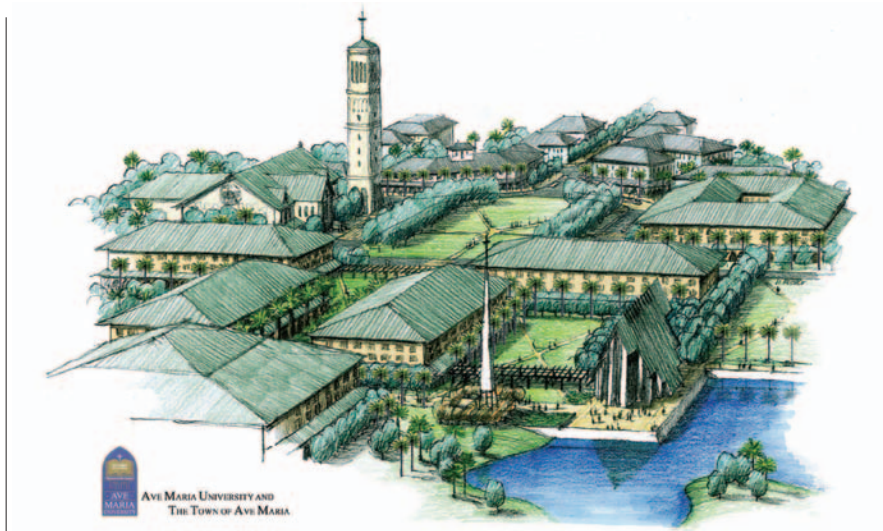
Faith & Family contacted Catholic institutions of higher learning across the United States and Canada. Below are the institutions that responded to our survey. In our guide, we've abbreviated our questions. Here is the full survey as schools received it. We designed it so that a "Yes" answer to each question is the one most in conformity with Canon Law, Catholic principles, and Pope John Paul II's 1990 apostolic constitution on higher education, *Ex Corde Ecclesiae*.

YES	NO	"Ex Corde Ecclesiae" Campus Culture
		Did the president make the public profession of faith and take the oath of fidelity?
		Is the majority of the board of trustees Catholic?
		Is the majority of the faculty Catholic?
		Do you publicly require all Catholic theology professors to have the mandatum?
		Did all Catholic theology professors take the oath of fidelity?
		Is the head of campus ministry Catholic?
		Do you exclude advocates of abortion, euthanasia or cloning as commencement speakers or recipients of honorary degrees?
		Do you exclude sponsoring pro-abortion campus groups?
		Do you exclude co-ed dorms?
		Do your student health services exclude referrals to abortion clinics?

## Ave Maria College

300 W. Forest Ave.  
 Ypsilanti, MI 48197  
 (866) 866-3030  
*AveMaria.edu*  
 Enrollment: 109 (undergrads)

Fidelity Oath/President?	YES
Majority Catholic Board?	YES
Majority Catholic faculty?	YES
Mandatum/Theology Professors?	YES
Fidelity Oath/Theology Professors?	YES
Catholic Campus Ministry head?	YES
Pro-life commencement policy?	YES
Pro-life campus groups only?	YES
Exclude co-ed dorms?	YES
Pro-life health service policy?	YES



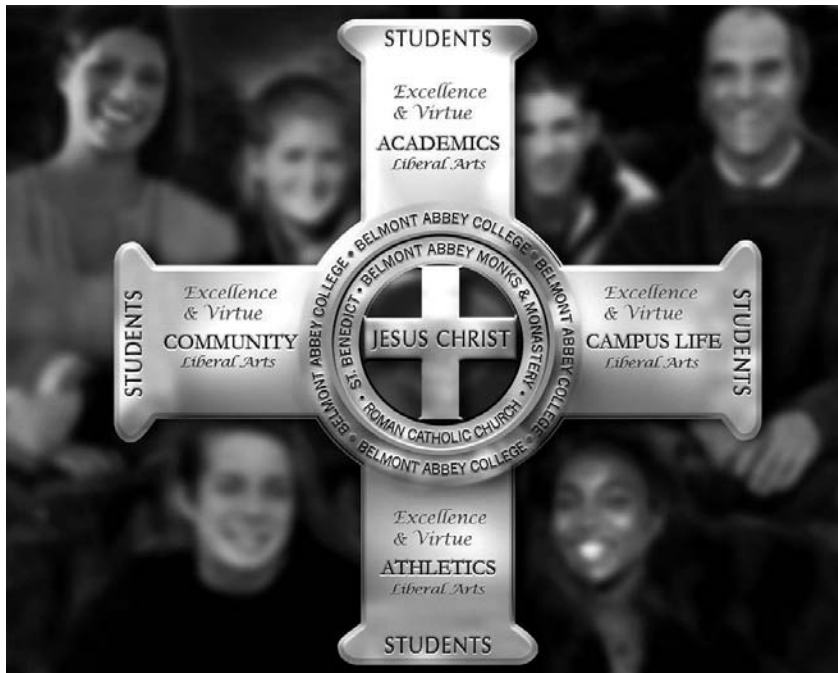
## Ave Maria University

1025 Commons Circle  
 Naples, FL 34119  
 (877) 283-8648  
*Naples.AveMaria.edu*  
 Enrollment: 300 (includes grads)

Fidelity Oath/President?	YES
Majority Catholic Board?	YES
Majority Catholic faculty?	YES
Mandatum/Theology Professors?	YES
Fidelity Oath/Theology Professors?	YES
Catholic Campus Ministry head?	YES
Pro-life commencement policy?	YES
Pro-life campus groups only?	YES
Exclude co-ed dorms?	YES
Pro-life health service policy?	YES

Left: The school is relatively new, but this Ave Maria College building has been designated a historic landmark in Ypsilanti.

Above: An artist's conceptual drawing of the future growth of the Ave Maria University, Naples.



**Belmont Abbey College**

100 Belmont-Mount Holly Road  
 Belmont, NC 28012  
 (888) 222-0110  
*BelmontAbbeyCollege.edu*  
 Enrollment: 900 (undergrads)

Fidelity Oath/President?	YES
Majority Catholic Board?	YES
Majority Catholic faculty?	YES
Mandatum/Theology Professors?	YES
Fidelity Oath/Theology Professors?	YES
Catholic Campus Ministry head?	YES
Pro-life commencement policy?	YES
Pro-life campus groups only?	YES
Exclude co-ed dorms?	<b>*NO</b>
Pro-life health service policy?	YES

*\* Genders separated by floors.*

Top Left: Belmont Abbey's cross of St. Benedict invokes the Rule of St. Benedict.

Top Right: Stained-glass windows are a Christendom signature touch. This one is in the new dorm, St. Catherine of Siena Hall.

**The Catholic University of America**

620 Michigan Ave. NE  
 Washington, DC 20064  
 (202) 319-5000  
*CUA.edu*  
 Enrollment: 5,981 (includes grads)

Fidelity Oath/President?	YES
Majority Catholic Board?	YES
Majority Catholic faculty?	YES
Mandatum/Theology Professors?	<b>*YES</b>
Fidelity Oath/Theology Professors?	YES
Catholic Campus Ministry head?	YES
Pro-life commencement policy?	YES
Pro-life campus groups only?	YES
Exclude co-ed dorms?	YES
Pro-life health service policy?	YES

*\*The Catholic University of America has a unique status. Its School of Theology, School of Canon Law, and School of Philosophy are ecclesiastical faculties. The professors have a canonical mission from the Vatican rather than a mandatum from their local bishop.*



**Christendom College**

134 Christendom Drive  
 Front Royal, VA 22630  
 (800) 877-5456  
*Christendom.edu*  
 Enrollment: 500 (includes grads)

Fidelity Oath/President?	YES
Majority Catholic Board?	YES
Majority Catholic faculty?	YES
Mandatum/Theology Professors?	<b>*YES</b>
Fidelity Oath/Theology Professors?	YES
Catholic Campus Ministry head?	YES
Pro-life commencement policy?	YES
Pro-life campus groups only?	YES
Exclude co-ed dorms?	YES
Pro-life health service policy?	YES

*\* The bishop of the Arlington diocese gives his approbation but not a mandatum.*



**College of Saint Thomas More**

3020 Lubbock Street  
 Fort Worth, Texas 76109  
 (817) 923-8459  
 CSTM.edu  
 Enrollment: 50 (undergrads)

Fidelity Oath/President?	YES
Majority Catholic Board?	YES
Majority Catholic faculty?	YES
Mandatum/Theology Professors?	YES
Fidelity Oath/Theology Professors?	YES
Catholic Campus Ministry head?	YES
Pro-life commencement policy?	YES
Pro-life campus groups only?	YES
Exclude co-ed dorms?	*N/A
Pro-life health service policy?	*N/A

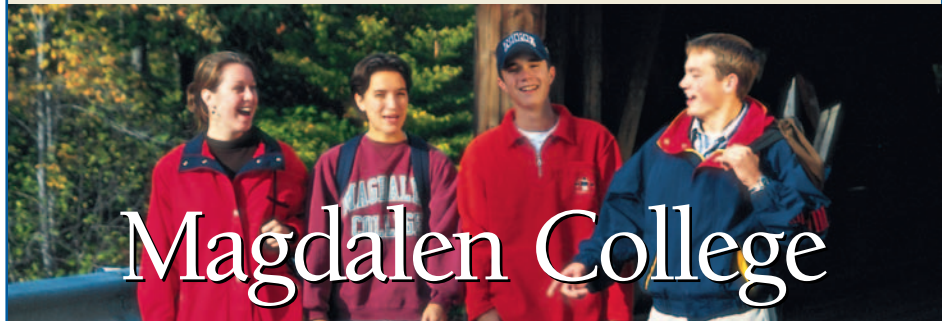
*\*No dorms at this time and no official student health services. "Our plan for the new campus will have ... no co-ed dorms. There is no estimated time of completion on the dorms."*

*The school advises parents: "Our students have a tutor who advises them on all matters, and we also have a priest who resides on campus."*

Below: An aerial view of The Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C.



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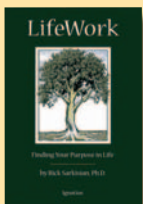
1235 University Blvd.  
Steubenville, OH 43952  
(800) 783-6220  
*Franciscan.edu*  
Enrollment: 2,115 (includes grads)

Fidelity Oath/President?	YES
Majority Catholic Board?	YES
Majority Catholic faculty?	YES
Mandatum/Theology Professors?	YES
Fidelity Oath/Theology Professors?	YES
Catholic Campus Ministry head?	YES
Pro-life commencement policy?	YES
Pro-life campus groups only?	YES
Exclude co-ed dorms?	YES
Pro-life health service policy?	YES

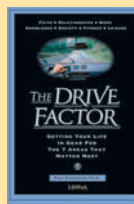
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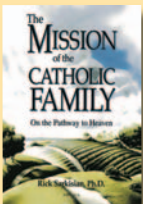
*"It is not a question of simply knowing what God wants from each of us in the various situations of life. The individual must do what God wants..."*  
— Pope John Paul II



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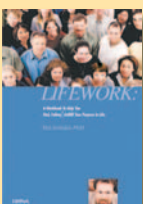
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*HolyApostles.edu*  
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Fidelity Oath/President?	YES
Majority Catholic Board?	YES
Majority Catholic faculty?	YES
Mandatum/Theology Professors?	YES
Fidelity Oath/Theology Professors?	YES
Catholic Campus Ministry head?	YES
Pro-life commencement policy?	YES
Pro-life campus groups only?	YES
Exclude co-ed dorms?	YES
Pro-life health service policy?	YES



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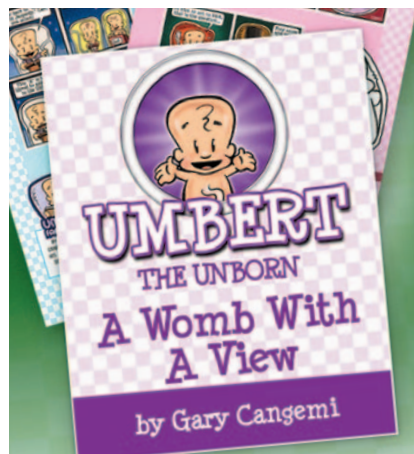
511 Kearsarge Mountain Road  
Warner, NH 03278  
(877) 498-1723  
*Magdalen.edu*  
Enrollment: 75 (undergrads)

Fidelity Oath/President?	YES
Majority Catholic Board?	YES
Majority Catholic faculty?	YES
Mandatum/Theology Professors?	YES
Fidelity Oath/Theology Professors?	YES
Catholic Campus Ministry head?	YES
Pro-life commencement policy?	YES
Pro-life campus groups only?	YES
Exclude co-ed dorms?	YES
Pro-life health service policy?	YES

## Southern Catholic College

PO Box 628,  
Dawsonville, GA 30534  
(866) 722-2003  
*SouthernCatholic.org*  
Enrollment: This new Catholic  
school opens in fall, 2005

Fidelity Oath/President?	YES
Majority Catholic Board?	YES
Majority Catholic faculty?	YES
Mandatum/Theology Professors?	YES
Fidelity Oath/Theology Professors?	YES
Catholic Campus Ministry head?	YES
Pro-life commencement policy?	YES
Pro-life campus groups only?	YES
Exclude co-ed dorms?	YES
Pro-life health service policy?	YES



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*StGregorys.edu*  
 Enrollment: 700 (undergrads)

Fidelity Oath/President?	YES
Majority Catholic Board?	YES
Majority Catholic faculty?	YES
Mandatum/Theology Professors?	YES
Fidelity Oath/Theology Professors?	<b>*NO</b>
Catholic Campus Ministry head?	YES
Pro-life commencement policy?	YES
Pro-life campus groups only?	YES
Exclude co-ed dorms?	YES
Pro-life health service policy?	YES

### St. Joseph's College of Maine

278 Whites Bridge Road  
 Standish, Maine 04084  
 (207) 892-6766  
*SJCM.edu*

Fidelity Oath/President?	YES
Majority Catholic Board?	YES
Majority Catholic faculty?	<b>NO</b>
Mandatum/Theology Professors?	YES
Fidelity Oath/Theology Professors?	YES
Catholic Campus Ministry head?	YES
Pro-life commencement policy?	YES
Pro-life campus groups only?	YES
Exclude co-ed dorms?	<b>*NO</b>
Pro-life health service policy?	YES

*\* The school notes: "The Most Rev. Eusebius Beltran, Archbishop of Oklahoma City, has conferred the mandatum through an interview with proposed faculty members and even campus ministers, conducted either by the archbishop personally or by his appointed vicar general."*

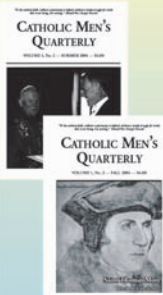
*\* Gender separated by floors*

Below: St. Gregory's University's president, Benedictine Father Lawrence Stasyszyn, gives children a lesson on Benedictine tradition while hosting Couple to Couple League's 2002 international convention at the Shawnee, Okla., campus.



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 (800) 634-9797  
 ThomasAquinas.edu  
 Enrollment: 329 (undergrads)

Fidelity Oath/President?	YES
Majority Catholic Board?	YES
Majority Catholic faculty?	YES
Mandatum/Theology Professors?	YES
Fidelity Oath/Theology Professors?	YES
Catholic Campus Ministry head?	YES
Pro-life commencement policy?	YES
Pro-life campus groups only?	YES
Exclude co-ed dorms?	YES
Pro-life health service policy?	YES

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Majority Catholic Board?	YES
Majority Catholic faculty?	YES
Mandatum/Theology Professors?	YES
Fidelity Oath/Theology Professors?	YES
Catholic Campus Ministry head?	YES
Pro-life commencement policy?	YES
Pro-life campus groups only?	YES
Exclude co-ed dorms?	YES
Pro-life health service policy?	YES

University of Sacramento

1531 I Street, Suite 200 Sacramento, CA 96814 (916) 443-4760 UniversityofSacramento.org Enrollment: 43 (grads only)

Fidelity Oath/President?	YES
Majority Catholic Board?	YES
Majority Catholic faculty?	YES
Mandatum/Theology Professors?	YES
Fidelity Oath/Theology Professors?	YES
Catholic Campus Ministry head?	YES
Pro-life commencement policy?	YES
Pro-life campus groups only?	YES
Exclude co-ed dorms?	*N/A
Pro-life health service policy?	YES

\*As the University of Sacramento was only recently founded, it does not have on-campus housing. Co-ed dorms will not be permitted.

Coming Soon

According to the Cardinal Newman Society there are at least six new Catholic colleges and universities under development.

**De La Salle University** (California) — planned Christian Brothers university [Diocese-Sacramento.org/herald/articles/030322cbros.html](http://Diocese-Sacramento.org/herald/articles/030322cbros.html)

**Holy Spirit Institute** (Michigan) — announced in May 2003. No opening date set. [SweetestHeartofMaryInstitute.org](http://SweetestHeartofMaryInstitute.org)

**John Paul the Great Catholic University** (California) — plans to open Fall 2006 *The school recently changed its name. It was formerly called New Catholic University.* [NewCatholicUniversity.com](http://NewCatholicUniversity.com)

**Diocese of Phoenix college** (Arizona) — in planning stage, not yet named. [DiocesePhoenix.org](http://DiocesePhoenix.org)

**Thornwood university** (New York) — in planning stage. This Legionaries of Christ university is not yet named. [LegionofChrist.org](http://LegionofChrist.org)

**Diocese of Cheyenne college** (Wyoming) — in planning stage, not yet named. [DioceseofCheyenne.org](http://DioceseofCheyenne.org)