

# Campus Update Monday, February 18, 2019



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## Online Target Tutorial

The Interdisciplinary Writing and Reasoning Department has posted an online tutorial that provides an introduction or review of how to use the Target to develop critical thinking. It offers essential information about what faculty will look for when grading papers or assessing the Critical Writing and Reasoning Portfolio requirement when using the Target.

If you want to excel on a Target assignment or want to better understand how to pass the portfolio requirement, then go to: **MyUSJ > Student > Student Resources Page > Interdisciplinary Writing and Reasoning > Student.**



## Blood Drive

Want to make a difference? One pint of blood can save up to three lives. □USJ and the American Red Cross are having a blood drive on **Wednesday, Feb. 20, 2019 from 10 a.m.–4 p.m.** in the Gengras Center's multi-purpose room. You can register online by visiting [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) and enter code USJ.

This drive is hosted by USJ's Tri-Beta.

Download event flyer [here](#).



## Office Hours with President Free

President Rhona Free will be holding open office hours on **Monday, Feb. 25, from 3–5 p.m.** in the President's Office, Room 1, Mercy Hall (at the far end of the hallway). Faculty, staff, and students are invited to sign up (recommended) or stop in for a 15-minute appointment with the President during this time.

**Contact:** Ruth Foxman, executive assistant to the President/secretary to the Board of Trustees at [foxman@usj.edu](mailto:foxman@usj.edu) or 860.231.5221



## Join the Adelante Circle of Support

The Institute for Latino Community Practice at USJ invites you to join the Adelante Circle of Support!

**When:** Saturday, March 2, 2019

**Where:** McDonough Hall, Room 205

**Time:** 12–12:55 p.m.

**As a member of this group, you" have the opportunity to:**

- Share both the successes and challenges of attending college as a part-time student.
- Provide mutual support, encouragement, knowledge & resources to each other
- Celebrate Latina/o culture individually and collectively throughout USJ
- Meet other students who can serve as supportive partners in your college journey
- Build community and Enjoy time with supportive classmates

Download the flyer [here](#).

Join Us! / ¡Acompáñenos for...

The Adelante Circle of Support



**What is Adelante?** Adelante (the Spanish word for "onward") is the name of USJ's 12 credit undergraduate and career development certificate for bilingual (English/Spanish) professionals who are serving Latino communities. Adelante also supports adult learners from underrepresented groups who are returning to college to complete their Bachelor's degree and Graduate Students.

**What is Adelante's Circle of Support?** The Circle of Support is a student support and resource group. The group was initiated and named by the students and has been active for the past eight years. The group was named by Adult Learning/Adelante student, Amy Smith (class of 2015).

Students decided that the Circle of Support would serve as a "safe space" to...

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**When: Saturday February 16th  
AND Saturday March 2, 12:00pm – 12:55pm**

**Where: McDonough Hall- Room 205**

**LUNCH WILL BE SERVED** \*please let Mary know if you have any dietary restrictions

For further information, please contact:

- Mary Schone; Institute of Latino Community Practice Graduate Assistant [mschone@usj.edu](mailto:mschone@usj.edu) Phone (860) 231-5416 Mercy 237

## Global Changemakers: International Women's Day Celebration 2019

On March 4, we celebrate global changemakers in innovation: women at the forefront of discoveries, innovation, and movements that will shape the future of our world. This event is free and open to the public.

### Panelists:

- Priyamvada Natarajan – Astrophysicist and Professor at Yale University
- Diana Ayton-Shenker – Global Catalyst Senior Fellow at The New School; President & CEO of Global Momenta

### Moderator:

- Yu-Hui Rogers – Senior Director of Research Strategy for Asia at The Jackson Laboratory.

**When:** March 4, 2019

**Where:** Crystal Room, Mercy Hall

**Time:** 5–7:15 p.m.



**INTERNATIONAL  
WOMEN'S DAY  
Celebration**

**Mon., March 4, 2019 | 5-7:15 p.m.**

University of Saint Joseph Mercy Hall, Crystal Room

**\*FREE & Open to the Public; Register at [www.usj.edu/USJIntlWomen/](http://www.usj.edu/USJIntlWomen/)\***



Learn more: <https://goo.gl/E9AvMd>

## Mindfulness Meditation

Increase your focus and understanding by practicing regular meditation. We offer two on-campus sessions per week. Drop in on the days you can. No experience necessary.

**When:** Every Tuesday and Friday

**Where:** Lynch 118

**Time:** 12–12:25 p.m.

**Questions?** Contact Agnes Curry at [acurry@usj.edu](mailto:acurry@usj.edu).

## 2019 #MakeMercyReal Video Contest

Calling all Mercy students to tell the compelling story of how people in their communities "make mercy real" and live out the Sisters of Mercy's critical concerns. Put those creative ideas and skills to work, the **Grand Prize Winner will receive \$500!** Learn more [here](#).

**Note:** All entries must be received by April 1, 2019.

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## USJ Bookstore Announcement

The Bookstore will be closed Friday, Feb. 22 for Inventory.

For more bookstore information visit [www.usj.bkstr.com](http://www.usj.bkstr.com)

## USJ Office of Information Technology Announcement

Helpdesk and Main Computer Lab  
**Spring Break 2019 Hours:**  
March 11 – 17, 2019  
Monday – Friday 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.  
Saturday 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.  
Sunday - Closed

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## TIAA Offering Individual Retirement Counseling

TIAA will offer individual retirement counseling for USJ employees on **Feb. 21, 2019**, 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m., Mercy Hall, Provost Conference Room main campus.

To schedule an appointment: Call the TIAA office in Hamden, 866.842.2051 X252403  
**Contact:** Lisa Peruccio, Benefits Administrator at [lperuccio@usj.edu](mailto:lperuccio@usj.edu) or at 860.231.5509



## Wadsworth Atheneum Event

You are invited to the preview of **Sean Scully: Landline at 7 pm on Thursday, Feb. 21, 2019.** Because the University of Saint Joseph has institutional membership, faculty, students, and staff are invited for **FREE**. Click [here](#) to learn more.

Please RSVP to [membership@wadsworthatheneum.org](mailto:membership@wadsworthatheneum.org) or 860.838.4070.



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## Campus Ministry Announcements

**Singing Opportunity:** The Chapel Choir is looking for three students to join this Spring Semester. The positions in the choir require an audition. Students receive a stipend for their participation. Auditions will be held on Sunday's at 8 p.m.

**SAVE the Date:** March 5, 2019- Stations of the Cross Fair (See flyer). This will be a great way to learn about the Stations of the Cross and to begin the Lenten Season reflecting on how we are carrying our cross. **Volunteers needed!** We are looking for those who would be interested in doing a Station at the fair. If you are interested in being part of the team, please contact Lynnette Colon at [lcolon@usj.edu](mailto:lcolon@usj.edu) or 860.231.5269.

### Reminders:

- Weekly Wednesday Masses will take place at 12:05 p.m. and Sunday's at 7 p.m. in the Chapel. Download the flyer [here](#).
- The new Multifaith Prayer Room is located in Mercy Hall, room 304.

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## Volunteer for Avenue of Dreams

The Connecticut Alliance of Foster and Adoptive Families is seeking volunteers for the **9th annual Avenue of Dreams prom event on March 9, 2019**, for at risk youth.

The positions we are currently looking to fill are as follows: Fairy Glam Mother, Shining Knights, Shoe Attendants, Dressing Room Attendants, Traffic Flow, and Sign-In and Registration.

**Questions?** Contact the outreach coordinator at

## Mentoring Opportunity

Would you like to mentor a 5th grader from West Middle Community School? **ConnectiKids, Inc.** is an after school academic enhancement program for Hartford youth. Tutors work with student using a literacy-based curriculum and mentoring that helps students succeed in Hartford Public Schools. Mentoring sessions will take place on Wednesdays from 4:20–5:35 p.m. at USJ. Download the flyer [here](#).

**Questions?** Contact Liza Bocchichio [lbocchichio@usj.edu](mailto:lbocchichio@usj.edu) or 860.231.5202.

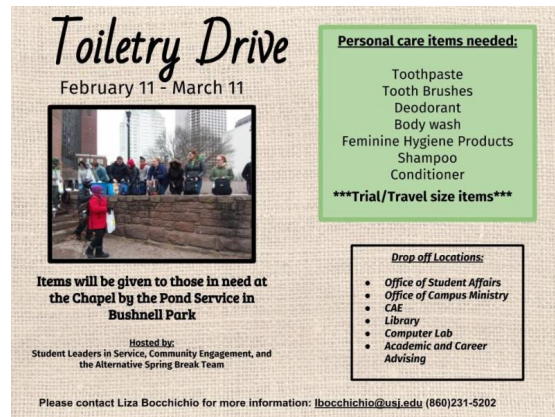
860.258.3400 or by e-mail at  
Catherine.rose@cafafct.org.

## Toiletry Drive

Personal Care Items are needed for the Toiletry Drive from Feb. 11–March 11. Items will be given to those in need at the Chapel by the Pond Service in Bushnell Park.

**Drop off locations:** Office of Student Affairs, Office of Campus Ministry, CAE, Library, Computer Lab, Academic and Career Advising.

Click [here](#) for more information.



**Toiletry Drive**  
February 11 - March 11

**Personal care items needed:**

- Toothpaste
- Tooth Brushes
- Deodorant
- Body wash
- Feminine Hygiene Products
- Shampoo
- Conditioner

**\*\*\*Trial/Travel size items\*\*\***

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- CAE
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Hosted by:  
Student Leaders in Service, Community Engagement, and the Alternative Spring Break Team

Please contact Liza Bocchichio for more information: [lbocchichio@usj.edu](mailto:lbocchichio@usj.edu) (860)231-5202

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