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National Recognition



A Decade
in the
Top Ten
in the North
Sixth in 2004

THE WASHINGTON POST
MAGAZINE
"100 Colleges
Worth Considering"



"Best 351 Colleges"
Ranked 30th among
"America's Most
Connected Campuses"

KAPLAN PUBLISHING
"328 Most
Interesting Colleges"

By The Numbers

Founding Date: 1888
Enrollment: 3,600 full-time
All Undergraduates: 4,700
from 27 states and 10 countries
Freshman Class: 950
Student-to-Faculty Ratio: 13 to 1
Average Class Size: 23
4-yr Graduation Rate: 72%
(National Average: 46%)
Freshman Retention Rate: 89%
(National Average: 79%)
Alumni: 35,000
Major Programs: 58
Minors: 44
Master's Degree Programs: 23
Continuing and Professional
Education Courses offered
annually: 325

Media Advisory

Tata Mbugua, Ph.D., originally from Kenya, and assistant professor of education at The University of Scranton, will lead a group of 4 students on the University's first International Service Trip to Kenya, East Africa.

She and students Anthony Giancattarino, Kate Redmond, Steve Clark and Ann Marissa Ambacher will work at a variety of service projects including an orphanage for HIV children.

The group will meet one last time on campus – FRIDAY, MAY 28, at 11 a.m. in McGurrin Hall – Room 134. They depart from Philadelphia next week.

Per Dr. Mbugua, "Kenya, revered by anthropologists as the "cradle of humanity," is the heart of safari country boasting the most diverse collection of wild animals on the African continent. It is also a country of contrasts from cosmopolitan cities of Nairobi and Mombasa, and United Nations Headquarters in Africa, to the Great Rift Valley - one of the seven wonders of the world, to the fourth largest producer of fresh cut flowers in the world, to urban sprawls and slums, to the many challenges of HIV/AIDS. In Kenya, there is a saying that, "**experience is the best teacher.**" This, it is hoped, will hold true for the trip participants."

This trip is one of several international service trips sponsored by the Center for Social Action and Service Initiatives. While in Kenya, the students will be hosted by Hekima College – Jesuit School of Theology, Catholic University of East Africa, Nairobi. The students will also visit and meet with faculty and students at Kenyatta University and Nairobi University.