



Alumni E-Newsletter, Spring 2022



Spring has Sprung, and NDNU Graduation is Almost Here!

And just like that, Spring is here ... which means that graduation is just around the corner. Nearly 100 students will receive graduate degrees at commencement on Saturday, May 7. We look forward to sharing with you photos of the graduation in our Summer newsletter.

Behind the Scenes with NDNU President Beth Martin, Ph.D.

We are delighted to share with you this special interview with NDNU President Beth Martin who has been on the job since September 2021.

What made you return to NDNU? How has it been going so far?

Honestly I was surprised to get a phone call asking if I would like to be nominated for the position. I was doing consulting at the time for Academic Search, Inc. and wasn't looking for another job. I had been with NDNU earlier in my career, had worked with some of the faculty, and knew some of the challenges first-hand.

The idea of a start-up was very exciting to me. Plus, the opportunity to be back with family in California was very appealing



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2022 Grad Caitlin Morrill Shares Insights, Experiences at NDNU

Caitlin Morrill, a third-year graduate student, School of Psychology, recently sat down with us to share her experiences attending NDNU. She is currently completing a clinical internship at Star Vista Counseling Center in San Mateo and graduates in May with a master's degree in Clinical Psychology.

When did you decide to pursue your master's degree?

It was always my dream to be a teacher, but I also fell in love



with psychology when I was an undergraduate at Cal Poly at San Luis Obispo and stayed an extra quarter to get my prerequisites out of the way. I taught first grade at a Burlingame public school for six years, the last two years teaching full-time and attending graduate school at NDNU.

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Scholarship Reception Celebrates Students and Benefactors

Nearly 50 graduate students, donors and staff attended the Donor Scholarship Reception on April 21st. "We were delighted to be able to thank our scholarship donors in person," says Aric Agresti, NDNU Vice President for Advancement. "It was especially gratifying to hear how the generosity of these donors has impacted our students' lives."

Scholarship support is critical to NDNU students, Endowed scholarships are special since they provide financial aid in perpetuity. NDNU currently has 35 endowed graduate scholarships, each one truly a gift that keeps on giving.

For information about endowing a scholarship, please contact the Advancement Office at (650) 508-3652.



Give the Gift of Education by Supporting the NDNU Annual Fund

As a graduate of our cherished institution, you know first-hand the value of an NDNU education.

Gifts to NDNU's Annual Fund truly make a difference in providing the highest quality education for current and future students by supporting scholarships, programs and critical operational

needs. If you haven't already made your gift to this year's Annual Fund, we encourage you to do so.



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