



## **WELCOME FROM COORDINATOR OF INTERNATIONAL STUDENT SERVICES**

Welcome to all international students and their families. I personally invite you to come and begin your educational journey at Siena Heights and experience the joy of being a Siena Heights student. I am here to assist you in every way I can from the moment of your inquiry for information to the completion of your course of study. Please don't hesitate to contact me should you have any questions or concerns. I would love to help you discover the Siena Heights experience and all that it has to offer!

Siena Heights University is one of the United States' Catholic liberal arts colleges. Founded in 1919, Siena Heights offers more than 30 majors through undergraduate, graduate and professional degree programs and provides a variety of intensive and advanced English language training. Our programs are diverse and varied and are designed to suit the diverse interests of today's college student. Our newest additions are Environmental Science and a Middle East Studies program. A full description of our programs and majors can be found at <http://www.sienaheights.edu/Academics.aspx>.

Siena Heights' mission is to assist people to become more competent, purposeful, and ethical through a teaching and learning environment which respects the dignity of all. To this end, Siena is committed to enhancing the university experience for its international students.

Class sizes at the University are small and individual attention is typical. Our open-door policy and our caring and supportive staff members and faculty are available to assist students with their all needs. A university-wide support system provides academic advising, counseling, tutoring, intercultural student services, athletics, student activities and housing. The cost of an education at Siena Heights is quite reasonable and the cost of living in Michigan is affordable.

There are many opportunities to get involved in campus and community life and meet new people. Siena Heights offers a number of clubs and organizations, some of which are dedicated to academic and career areas while others focus on athletic, social and cultural activities. A variety of annual events take place at Siena Heights such as Peace Song, Common Dialogue Day, fall Convocation and an annual service trip. Our new state-of-the-art residence halls offer the comfort of a home away from home.

Siena Heights is close to Detroit International airport. Our campus is located in a small town setting which offers a safe and secure environment that is perfect for learning and interacting with others. Yet, Siena Heights is also close to two major cities that offer a variety of cultural, sporting, and social activities. Siena Heights University is located in Adrian, Michigan, 50 miles west of Toledo, Ohio and 70 miles southwest of Detroit, Michigan. Toledo and Detroit have large international communities and a variety of services to support the many different nationalities that call these two cities home. Ann Arbor, Michigan is also located within 45 minutes of Adrian.

A warm welcome and my personal wishes for a wonderful experience at Siena Heights University.

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