## A Message from the Director

## **Greetings, Parents & Families!**

The full value of a college education isn't solely found within the lectures and textbooks of an academic classroom. Today's employers seek well-rounded candidates that have excelled not only inside of the classroom but outside as well. While an academic education is the focal point of a student's college experience, areas such as social development, character formation, and the identification of personal/spiritual values are critical aspects that need constant nurturing and support throughout the undergraduate years. Involvement in student clubs and organizations can provide a seamless integration of practical experiences that will allow students to blend a healthy social lifestyle with both challenge and reward. Students find it particularly exciting that co-curricular and extra-curricular involvement can provide an intriguing outlook onto their future endeavors as marketable skills and experiences are discovered. One very popular choice for many undergraduate students is the decision to join a fraternity or sorority. We call this Greek Life.

Greek Life since its inception is historical, prestigious, and scholarly. The first collegiate Greek-lettered organization was founded even before the nation gained independence! More organizations were established to provide opportunities for students to associate within their ethnic, cultural, or religious communities or to establish new communities that would focus on academic excellence, professional development, leadership development, and service to the community.

Although Greek Life has seen its share of trials and tribulations, those institutions that seek a positive and developmental experience for their students are providing opportunities that no other form of involvement can offer. Saint Francis University was the first Catholic college in the nation to associate with the national fraternity system, and our goal continues to be the establishment of an intellectual community of responsible citizens and leaders through our Greek Life program.

We invite you to be an active participant of your student's experience and to help support the historical integrity of SFU Greek Life.

Warmest Regards,

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