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Barbara Milbauer named Vice President of University Advancement

Barbara Milbauer was named University of Detroit Mercy's Vice President of University Advancement after a nationwide search to fill the role.

While she has held the position as interim Vice President for the past year, Milbauer previously held this position for eight years and during that time, developed specific plans and tasks for UDM in order to move the university into the public phase. She has held other administrative roles from 1977-1993. She retired in 2001 and returned in 2010 as the development officer in the College of Engineering and Science.

Milbauer has 35 years of experience in higher education administration, advancement programming and comprehensive campaigns. She received a Bachelor of Science in Chemistry from Mercy College of Detroit and a M.B.A from Michigan State University.

Milbauer is replacing Gregory Cascione, who took an early retirement to work as a consultant and to pursue opportunities to teach and write in the areas of development, non-profit management, philanthropy and higher education. Cascione started at UDM in 2004 and was appointed vice president in 2009.

The University of Detroit Mercy is Michigan's largest private Catholic University, with more than 100 academic majors and programs. Sponsored by the Society of Jesus (the Jesuits) and the Sisters of Mercy, the University has campuses located in downtown and northwest Detroit.

UDM is one of 28 Jesuit colleges and universities and the largest of 16 Mercy institutions of higher education in the United States. For the 12th consecutive year, University of Detroit Mercy is listed in the top tier of Midwest in the 2013 edition of the *U.S. News and World Report's* "America's Best Colleges."

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