

A CENTENNIAL VISION FOR POINT LOMA NAZARENE COLLEGE

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In the year 2002, Point Loma Nazarene College will celebrate its 100th birthday. As we enter this final decade leading to our centennial year, it is appropriate that we articulate a vision for the near future which will capture the imagination and commitment of the campus community.

The college is uniquely positioned to become a dynamic force in American Christian higher education. All of the components for major impact are present--a noble and distinctively Christian mission, strong ties with the sponsoring denomination, a growing student body, a superb faculty who are eminently qualified in their respective disciplines, an idyllic campus strategically located, sound fiscal standing, and increasing acclaim from its various publics.

It is essential that the college "seize the moment" and maximize its opportunities to become a model of excellence. To achieve this worthy dream, the college must--

- attract and retain gifted and spiritually dedicated faculty, administrators, and staff who are committed to the pursuit of excellence
- inspire its students to reach their very highest potential academically and spiritually
- provide quality facilities and equipment which will stimulate and enhance the educational process
- be aware of, and responsive to, our dynamically changing environment
- continue to effectively serve the Church of the Nazarene by meeting both traditional and emerging multicultural educational needs of the denomination

The PLNC "Mark of Excellence" will be composed of distinguished achievement by students in each of five areas: 1) to embody classic liberal arts values and develop verbal and quantitative skills; 2) to blend a distinctive Wesleyan/Arminian approach to Christian faith and search for truth into the lifelong process of rational intellectual inquiry; 3) to learn both the theory and practice of the world of work which opens doors to advancement in selected professional and applied careers; 4) to develop mature academic, social, and spiritual values through meaningful involvement in residential, campus, and community life; and 5) to participate responsibly in the global community through a distinctive Christian life-style, service, and leadership.

For this vision to become reality by 2002, all PLNC community members must work diligently to fulfill precisely focused goals and objectives in the belief that such efforts will also fulfill their own personal, professional, and spiritual imperatives.