



WELCOME TO
THE INAUGURATION OF
DONALD B. TAYLOR, Ph.D.
26TH PRESIDENT
UNIVERSITY OF DETROIT MERCY

MARCH, 24, 2023

DONALD B. TAYLOR, Ph.D.



DONALD B. TAYLOR, Ph.D., became the 26th president of University of Detroit Mercy on July 1, 2022.

Prior to coming to Detroit Mercy, he served eight years as president of Cabrini University, a private Roman Catholic University in Pennsylvania that provides undergraduate, graduate and post-graduate degree programs to more than 2,000 students.

Taylor served as the chief executive at Cabrini following a 22-year career at Benedictine University in Lisle, Ill., where he served as Provost and Chief Academic Officer from 2008 to 2014.

Prior to his appointment as Benedictine's provost, Taylor served as the initial dean of the University of Sciences, chair of the Department of Biological Sciences, and program director for the Biochemistry and Molecular Biology Program. Taylor joined the faculty at Benedictine in 1992. He was awarded the Scholl Endowed Chair in the Health Sciences in 1997.

Before Benedictine, he was supported by a research fellowship from the Van Vleet Cancer Foundation. Taylor earned a B.S. in education and a Ph.D. in cell and molecular biology from the University of Memphis.

Taylor's research interests have included the biochemical, cellular and molecular mechanisms of blood platelet aggregation, blood clot formation, and cell-cell interactions, to the design, synthesis, and characterization of novel pharmaceutical compounds for use in the study of hemostasis and thrombosis. His research interests in higher education have included problem-based learning, effective partnerships in science education at the K-16 level, and educational technologies.

He has published more than 40 peer-reviewed abstracts, manuscripts and reviews in scientific journals and has given and participated in more than 60 presentations on science and higher education. Taylor has received 20 awards for teaching, research, and service and secured millions of dollars in extramural funding, including large awards from the Department of Energy, Howard Hughes Medical Institute, and the National Science Foundation.

Taylor and his wife, Lechia, a nurse and certified case manager, have a son, Seth. They live in University Commons neighborhood in Detroit.

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University of Detroit Mercy, a Catholic university in the Jesuit and Mercy traditions, exists to provide excellent student-centered undergraduate and graduate education in an urban context. A Detroit Mercy education seeks to integrate the intellectual, spiritual, ethical and social development of students.



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TO WALK WITH YOU

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MUSICAL INTERLUDE

TO WALK WITH YOU, *UNIVERSITY CHORUS*

TO WALK WITH YOU

Give me ears that listen closely
and eyes of faith to see.
Give me hands that serve with mercy
to comfort those in need.
Give me a heart for justice
and courage, I pray
to lead, to serve,
to walk with you all of my days.

Holy wisdom, be my counselor.
Guide me in the work I'm called to do.
Give me the gift of right judgement
that I may know your will and always follow you.
God, in your compassion, teach my heart to seek
to find your presence around and in all things.
Strengthen me, please give me what I need.
Grant to me peace, that passes all understanding.



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Please join us for a reception in the Ballroom of the Student Union.

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UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN, EST. 1817
UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME, EST. 1842
BOSTON COLLEGE, EST. 1863
FERRIS STATE UNIVERSITY, EST. 1884
AQUINAS COLLEGE, EST. 1886
BENEDICTINE UNIVERSITY, EST. 1887
SEATTLE UNIVERSITY, EST. 1891
MERCY COLLEGE OF OHIO, EST. 1918
CARLOW UNIVERSITY, EST. 1929
LAWRENCE TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY, EST. 1932
MADONNA UNIVERSITY, EST. 1937
FAIRFIELD UNIVERSITY, EST. 1942
MACOMB COMMUNITY COLLEGE, EST. 1954
PENN STATE HARRISBURG, EST. 1966
ECUMENICAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, EST. 1980

LEARNED SOCIETIES & ASSOCIATION DELEGATES

ASSOCIATION OF CATHOLIC COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES, EST. 1899
MICHIGAN COLLEGES ALLIANCE, EST. 1949
ASSOCIATION OF JESUIT COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES, EST. 1970
CONFERENCE FOR MERCY HIGHER EDUCATION, EST. 2002



UNIVERSITY MACE & CREST

The mace is ceremonial and dates back to 16th Century England where it was used as a formidable weapon to protect high-ranking civil, educational and religious officials, and royalty. Today the mace has become a symbol of authority and is carried by a distinguished member of the academic community. In today's ceremony, it is being carried by Kristin Johnston, the director of the University's Office of Diversity, Equity & Inclusion.

Attached to the crown of the mace is the University crest. Circumscribed around the consolidated institutions' crests is the name of the University. The left side of the crest's inner circle portrays two wolves at a pot, symbolizing the generosity of the Loyola family – Ignatius Loyola was the founder of the Society of Jesus. After all the family and workers were fed, even the wild animals had the pot to lick.



The motto of the Jesuits, "Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam" (For the Greater Glory of God), is located above the wolves and the pot. The date 1877 refers to the founding of University of Detroit by the Jesuits.

On the right side of the inner circle is a cross, which is the symbol of the Religious Sisters of Mercy, who founded Mercy College of Detroit in 1941. The open book is the traditional symbol for a college and upon the open pages is inscribed Mercy College's motto, "Maria Sedes Sapientiae" (Mary, Seat of Wisdom). The three canettes, or baby ducklings, are taken from the coat of arms of the Archdiocese of Detroit, symbolizing the Archdiocese and Detroit.

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MERCY COLLEGE OF DETROIT

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1983	MAUREEN A. FAY, O.P.

UNIVERSITY OF DETROIT MERCY

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