

Prepared to serve and lead in a global context

FALL 2022

MOSAIC MENNONITE CONFERENCE

Greetings to the many people and congregations who make up Mosaic Conference, our largest MCUSA conference. Blessings on your important time together in November.

We are off and running at EMU! We are running to meet each other in person and in large groups after two years of COVID restrictions. It's wonderful to see and feel such energy with faculty, staff and students packed in Lehman Auditorium and Martin Chapel for convocation, and worship, playing on the green, participating with full seating at EMU sporting and performing arts events, and "breaking bread together" in large groups in the dining hall.

We are running to raise money for a new Track and Field Complex. It has a 6M price tag and we're on pace to raise half of that by the end of December. We must also replace our aging Turf Field for soccer, lacrosse and field hockey. Why are these athletic projects so critical? We have not had a useable track to host meets for six years and the turf field is worn out. These conditions pose recruitment challenges. Student athletes comprise nearly 40% of our undergraduates at EMU. We believe students with sport prowess come to EMU searching to excel as athletes but that they also yearn to develop character and compassion and model Christian values on the field, court, or course.

We are at the finish line having completed major renovations to the University Commons. We have created a new student union and a new admissions space. "It's awesome," say the students. A ribbon cutting ceremony is set for October 3.

Jesus tells us to "run the good race and fight the good fight" in faith and in sport. The Christian life is not a sprint; rather, it's a marathon. 2Timothy 4:7

At EMU, whether running or sitting still, we take our educational mission seriously: "to prepare students to serve and lead in a global context" in the spirit of Scripture "to do justice, love mercy, and walk humbly with God." Thank you for assisting us in fulfilling that mission when you send us students and when you make available church matching grants. Mennonite students still comprise well over one-quarter of our traditional undergraduate student body.

In gratitude, Susan Schultz Huxman, Ph.D., President, EMU

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How can EMU serve you?

Contact the church relations office to schedule the president or a faculty guest speaker: 540-432-4200 or *ChurchRelations@emu.edu*

Mosaic Mennonite Conference Connections to EMU

Trustees

Liza Heavener, Beny Krisbianto, Stephen Kriss, Chad Lacher, and Manuel Nuňez

Students

Twenty undergraduate students, five graduate students and five seminary students from Mosaic Mennonite Conference are enrolled in the fall 2022 semester.

Giving

Mosaic Mennonite Conference churches gave \$60,170 in matching church grants to their students, over \$1,000 to the university fund, and over \$275 to the seminary fund during the year ending June 2022.

- Susan Schultz Huxman, president
- Kirk Shisler, vice president for advancement
- Braydon Hoover, director of advancement & annual giving
- Luke Litwiller, director of undergrad admissions

Our Vision

We will open new pathways of access and achievement for all students who aspire to grow as unifying leaders equipped with intercultural competence, oriented toward peace and justice, and rooted in an active faith modeled on the life and teachings of Jesus.

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