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President Marcy Named Influential Woman in Business

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Throughout her career in higher education leadership positions, President Marcy has driven major education reform and diversification initiatives, supported the advancement of faculty and students, and enhanced the reputation and reach of the institutions she has served.

In her first year at Dominican, President Marcy has done much to advance the University’s mission while building upon the University’s position of strength in the Bay Area.

President Marcy led her cabinet to identify five areas as strategic priorities for the University: engaged learning; a common academic first-year experience program focused on Big History; diversity; internationalization; and sustainability. These five strategic priorities have significant promise of launching Dominican into the forefront of higher education in the Bay Area and beyond.

In order to support the development of academic programs that would enhance these strategic areas, President Marcy invited faculty to apply for funding from a newly created Strategic Initiatives Grant program. The University recently distributed more than $1 million in support of innovative faculty work under this program.

President Marcy currently serves on the editorial board of the Journal of Liberal Education, the Academic Advisory Council of the Panetta Institute, and the Higher Education Advisory Board of the National Council on Education and the Economy.
When asked by the newspaper to describe her strategy for success in a tough economy, President Marcy replied: “Clarity of mission and focused strategic priorities coupled with an unwavering commitment to a rewarding, creative work environment for everyone on campus. Mission guides decisions; people make them successful.”

President Marcy, who received both her M.Phil and her D.Phil in Politics from the University of Oxford, noted that earning a doctorate from Oxford at age 28, and using that education to create opportunity for others is her proudest professional accomplishment.

President Marcy was recognized during a reception in San Francisco on June 7.

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