



Capstone groups present at the Sister Stang Symposium.

Senior Capstone

P R O G R A M

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29 years of experience

Curriculum

Senior Capstone involves research and implementation of a justice issue project.

It is a graduation requirement that appears on students' final transcripts.

"If we keep working, helping our people to grow with education, they will have the ability to speak up, organize and create within themselves a spirit guided by The Spirit and a new people.

I might not see this day, but with the help of all of you, our people will grow in their understanding and caring for others."

— My Faith Sustains Me,
Sister Dorothy Stang, SNDdeN '49

Description

Chaminade Julienne seniors are called to become servant leaders working for justice in our world today. The Senior Capstone project is a research-based inquiry into a justice issue we face as a global society. In small groups, students write proposals for their inquiry and research the issue. Their research serves as a catalyst for the project they design and then implement. Seniors present their research and projects at the annual Stang Symposium in the spring.

Learning Outcomes

- ✓ Explore and research a social justice issue through the lens of Catholic social teaching
- ✓ Investigate the various ways they can impact their issue
- ✓ Design and implement a project which manifests itself in a specific product or action
- ✓ Understand the principles of servant leadership and how it applies to their life as Catholics
- ✓ Present their findings in a public forum
- ✓ Write a reflection applying the dispositions of the Profile of the CJ Graduate and how it connects to their Capstone experience

Highlights

- ✓ Seniors manage time and work in completing four phases: proposal, research, implementation, and presentation and reflection.
- ✓ Curriculum integration involves several disciplines: religion, English, STEM, social studies, music and art, and builds upon classroom and service experience.
- ✓ Students work with many organizations including elementary schools, universities, non-profits, and businesses.
- ✓ Laura Roesch, CEO, Catholic Social Services of the Miami Valley served as keynote speaker for the 2019 Sister Stang Symposium.