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### **University of Saint Mary Hosts Spring Career Expo for Prospective Health Care Professionals**

*9:30-11 a.m. Saturday, March 3, Berchmans Hall*

(Leavenworth, Kan.)—The University of Saint Mary is hosting a Spring Health Care Career Expo, an event designed to help prospective health care professionals get their careers off to a promising start, from 9:30 a.m.-11 a.m. on Saturday, March 3, in Berchmans Hall on the USM Leavenworth campus, 4100 South 4<sup>th</sup> Street.

Attendees will be able to learn all about USM's health care programs, including the university's newest offerings—the Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT)\* program, the Accelerated Bachelor of Science in Nursing track, and the upcoming Health Information Management major—as well as the highly-regarded Saint Mary Bachelor of Science in Nursing, Healthcare Informatics, and pre-professional health paths.

“The University of Saint Mary is nationally recognized for meeting high standards of academic excellence,” said Dr. Bryan Le Beau, USM's vice president of academic affairs. “Now, the university is expanding its commitment to educating the much-needed health care professionals of tomorrow. Our founders, the Sisters of Charity of Leavenworth, have rich traditions of health care education and of meeting society's needs. Saint Mary is continuing these traditions and offering students a chance at rewarding careers.”

The Health Care Career Expo is a chance for prospective students to learn about all of the quality health care programs at Saint Mary, Dr. Le Beau said.

Participants at the expo will be able to tour the new, state-of-the-art DPT facilities in USM's historic Berchmans Hall as well as the Saint Mary Nursing Department and the university's science labs. Attendees will also see physical therapy equipment demos, meet one-on-one with USM's DPT, nursing, health information management, and science faculty, and get answers to their questions about Saint Mary health care programs.

Visit [www.stmary.edu/expo](http://www.stmary.edu/expo) or call (913) 682-5151 for more information on the expo.

*The University of Saint Mary is a Catholic co-educational applied liberal arts university founded and sponsored by the Sisters of Charity of Leavenworth. The University of Saint Mary is located at 4100 South 4th Street, Leavenworth, Kan., with additional locations in Overland Park and Kansas City, Kan. Visit [www.stmary.edu](http://www.stmary.edu) for more information.*

*\* The Doctor of Physical Therapy Program at the University of Saint Mary is seeking accreditation by the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education of the American Physical Therapy Association (1111 North Fairfax Street, Alexandria, VA 22314; phone; 703-706-3245; [accreditation@apta.org](mailto:accreditation@apta.org)). The program has submitted an Application for Candidacy, which is the formal application required in the pre-accreditation stage. Achievement of Candidate for Accreditation status is required prior to implementation of the professional/technical phase of the physical therapy program; therefore, no students may be enrolled in professional or technical courses until Candidate for Accreditation status has been achieved. Further achievement of Candidate for Accreditation status does not assure that the program will be granted Accreditation.*

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