

To the Daemen College Community:

The Office of Cooperative Education & Career Development conducts an annual survey of our graduates. The report will be available in the Co-op and Career Development office, located in Wick Center. Also, you can access graphed results, including employment status, salary, job satisfaction, and securing employment charts, from our webpage www.daemen.edu/career.

Additionally, we asked the Class of 2009 for the following information:

"What individual(s) at Daemen most influenced you during your college years? In what ways did this individual(s) influence you?"

I am very pleased to share the following information with you. The number in parenthesis indicates multiple acknowledgements. Some statements pertained to more than one person.

Individuals cited by the Class of 2009:

Andrews, Kimberli, Education (2): She provided a warm classroom environment and engaged students in learning; very down to earth.

Argenio, Joseph, Education: I thought he was a terrific education instructor because he knows his teaching theory, but also how to apply it. Also, his teaching-style serves as a model to be followed in our own classrooms.

Avtzon, Sara, Brooklyn Program: She was always available to help and guide us when needed.

Barraclough, Dennis, Art (3): He taught me the basics of sculpture and how to think outside the box to help further my artistic career.

Beehler, Mark, Weekend Master's Program

Beiswanger, Robert, Vice President for Business Affairs/Treasurer: I had the privilege to work under Mr. Beiswanger as a Work Study Student in the Business Office. During my work study experience, I also sat on the Business Affairs Committee as a student representative. Mr. Beiswanger would take time out of his day to go over the minutes from the meetings with me in detail, as he knew I did not have an in depth background in business. He is a member of the Daemen Community that goes out of his way to ask about your family, career, or school, and he was an influential person when I was at Daemen.

Berry, Ruth, Education

Blest, John, Global Business (2): He taught me not only professional knowledge, but also the importance of networking.

Brown, Mark, Education (2): He was a positive, helpful, and understanding individual.

Buszka, Sharlene, Business Administration/Human Resource Management (2): She encouraged me to become more involved in activities within the Business Department, which allowed me to learn about other business skills I wasn't aware of. Professor Buszka went out of her way to accommodate me into her summer class schedule so that I could graduate on time. If it wasn't for this, my graduation would have been delayed by at least a semester. She made adjustments in her schedule to meet for advisement also. She grades fairly and expects students to put effort into their work. Students learn the material; and when they leave her classroom know the material for life and not just until the test is over. Thanks.

Campbell, Catherine, Board of Trustees Member: I had the pleasure of meeting her in my Junior year of studies (she works for HealthNow and my uncle who also works there put us in touch). Cathy took the role of my mentor within days of meeting her, and I have been forever changed. Listening to her stories from when she was a student at Rosary Hill/Daemen College truly inspired me, as did her professional accomplishments. She went out of her way and took me to events including the speaker series where Robert Kennedy and in a later year Carlos Fuentes spoke. I had the privilege of meeting these powerful and passionate men beforehand at Dr. Anisman's home during a reception. I am truly grateful for having met Cathy, she is an integral part of my life and has helped me to make many professional decisions. I look to her as a role model, and I am fortunate to have a mentor who also attended the college that I did.

Cannavo, Joanne, Sociology and Social Work (2): Thank you for sharing social work knowledge and guiding me. She was a very helpful and encouraging woman. We worked together many times on recruiting high school students for the Social Work program at Daemen.

Cessario, Lynda, Nursing (6): Thank you for all your help, encouragement, and always going that extra mile for the students. Thanks for creating a web enhanced program that provided on-line learning. I really enjoyed classes with her - she is an excellent teacher. She was very encouraging and helpful. I would have never graduated without her professional expertise and guidance. She has been a very caring and knowledgeable instructor throughout my attendance at Daemen. She has helped me to become a better writer and improved my researching skills. She presents material so that it is interesting and understandable.

Clark, Cynthia, Education

Cook, Nancy, Weekend Master's Program: I am especially grateful to Dr. Nancy Cook for her dedication in providing exceptional graduate level courses. As a result of her classes, I may one day consider doing my Ph.D.

Danbrook, Carol, Weekend Master's Program: She is an amazing woman and educator. She has so much love for teaching that she is truly a role model. Her spark in the classroom makes me love and confirm the decision I made to become a teacher. I can't wait to get into the classroom and start using the tools that she has provided me. I truly hope the best for Carol, and may her love and appreciation for teaching continue throughout her life - once an educator, always an educator.

Daniel, Renee, Sociology and Social Work (2): Thank you for sharing social work knowledge and guiding me.

Drewniak, Lisa, Thomas Reynolds Center

Duell, Nicole, Co-op & Career Development Office: Your patient encouragement guided me through the ELC Program - thank you for your steadfast support!

Emer, Denise, Psychology (2): She definitely was an influence and a role model for me during my time at Daemen. She was always willing to take time out to help you when needed and provided me with many opportunities to further my knowledge by working with her on Independent Studies. She is a very bright woman, and the things that I learned from her have helped me to secure the job that I have today. I recommend that any student, Psychology major or not, take a class with her. The experience is worth it. She was always so enthusiastic about the material she was teaching, it was impossible to not feel the same way when taking her classes.

Everest, Nick, Executive Leadership & Change: Your creative insight and unwavering sense of humor taught me the true meaning of Leadership - thank you for igniting the spark!

Fabierkiewicz, Ann, Weekend Master's Program

Fiori, Melissa, Foreign Languages (3): Dr. Fiori is such a passionate and energetic professor. She is incredible at foreign language and works to cultivate such great learning dynamics in an educational environment. She cares about her students and their success, and she constantly works to enhance knowledge acquisition, both in an academic as well as practical manner. Dr. Fiori's Spanish classes taught me more about how to speak the language (which admittedly, I have forgotten most of) and how to apply the grammar rules. She really takes an interest in her students; not just in how well they perform, but how they develop as adults preparing for the professional world. Through creative writing assignments, she is able to establish connections with the students that transcend the classroom. Even though I only had her for one year, I knew her office door was always open to discuss anything, right up until the week of my graduation. She provides her students the opportunity to challenge themselves, but in an environment where they are fully supported both in the classroom and out. She helped me become a better Spanish speaker, which allowed me to complete a short internship in the Dominican Republic.

Flint, Michelle, Accounting

Ford, Gregory, Physical Therapy (4): He influenced me the most to pursue what I love and what I am good at. He gave me the tools I needed to be one of the best therapists. I am most definitely one of the most informed and prepared clinicians at my current location thanks to him and the entire staff at the Daemen College Physical Therapy Department. Dr. Ford was a fantastic professor who inspires his students to seek life long learning and to grasp the concepts of duty and responsibility that clinicians have to their patients and the practice of physical therapy. Dr. Ford has been extremely helpful throughout my grad school experience! He always made time to meet with students and provided valuable feedback on written assignments and psychomotor skill development.

Fortune, Mary Beth, Education (3): She made the biggest difference in my life during my years at Daemen College. She was very intelligent in the field of education, and the field of life. She was willing to discuss and assist in any way to help our futures as educators. Dr. Fortune is an amazing asset to the Education Department. She showed me great ways to conduct lessons and classes. She also had a great rapport with the students!

Fox, Mary, Education: She was a positive, helpful, and understanding individual.

Franjoine, Mary Rose, Physical Therapy

Frederick, John, Executive Leadership & Change: Your creative insight and unwavering sense of humor taught me the true meaning of Leadership - thank you for igniting the spark!

Fries, Kristin, Natural Sciences (2): She is very dedicated to her work, and I am glad I was able to be involved with her research on chronic wounds and topical oxygen application. Dr. Fries made sure that I had the opportunity to experience lab work as well as experimental design. I even had the opportunity to see how the wound samples were taken at the clinic. She has been one of the most influential teachers who cares not only about the education, but the students as well.

Girard, Susan, Health Services: Throughout my years at Daemen, Sue served as a role model, friend, and a wonderful boss. I will never forget her throughout my life. She is one of the kindest and most understanding people I have met.

Gradman, Brocha, Brooklyn Program: Mrs. Gradman had extensive knowledge, and gave it in abundance in a discussion style.

Graham, Brian, Weekend Master's Program: An excellent teacher, great role model!

Gruendike, Jeffrey, Athletics: I was given the opportunity to run for the Daemen Cross Country team under Coach Jeff Gruendike. He took a chance on me, as I never ran competitively in high school and was merely interested in the sport. Over my 4 year college running career, I shaved nearly 6 minutes off of my time, leaving Daemen College with a personal best of 19:00. I have recently begun training for the Buffalo Marathon, and I owe my desire to continue running competitively to his empowering coaching methods. I was also fortunate to serve as his Assistant Coach this past fall, and I have enjoyed the opportunity of transforming from former runner to Assistant Coach of the Daemen College Cross Country team. Although completely different, it is a humbling feeling now being able to coach runners that I once ran on the team with.

Gunther, Joan, Physical Therapy: She was very influential during my time in the DPT program. She was very down to earth and made what seemed to be the hardest years of your life more bearable and even fun at times. Dr. Gunther's style of teaching gives you an excellent knowledge base of what you'll need as a physical therapist from a neurobiology and neuroanatomy standpoint. However, she has given me a knowledge "platform." I look forward to "diving" into more detailed neuroanatomy studies to become a proficient physical therapist in the field of neurology, focusing on the adult population.

Hall, Jeremy, Mathematics

Hartwick, Patrick, Education: He was another person who really saw what I had to offer the field of education and truly wanted me to be the best I could be.

Held, Sharon, Physical Therapy

Hibschwiler, Intisar, Mathematics

Hill, Beverlee, Education: She and Diane Schultz taught me the skills needed to become an effective teacher. They helped me develop my classroom management plan, and how to integrate other subjects into my curriculum.

Huber, Maureen, Co-op & Career Development Office: Your patient encouragement guided me through the ELC Program - thank you for your steadfast support!

Hyman, Zena, Nursing (2): She has been supportive, informative, and inspirational. She was a great professor. She is very knowledgeable, and she spread a wealth of her knowledge with us!

Innus, Cara, Physician Assistant Studies (2): She and Joel Patterson's constant support and encouragement were a great influence to work hard and do our best in every part of our Daemen experience.

Kashino, Colleen, Psychology (4): She influenced not only my life as a student but my personal life as well. She is such a wonderful professor and was never too busy to answer your question, even if the questions didn't pertain to a class you were taking with her. During the time that I was at Daemen, Dr. Kashino was going through some very tough issues in her personal life. She never let these issues affect her ability to teach or the time she had for her students. She is not only a very strong professor, but a very strong woman as well. Daemen College is lucky to have her. She was always there when I had any questions about classes, future schooling, etc. I always felt I could go to her whenever I had a problem

with anything. Whether it was a question about homework or a real life problem, she always listened and offered her opinion. She challenged us to do our best work and accepted nothing less. She is one of the only reasons I stayed to finish my degree at Daemen and didn't transfer to another college.

Kegler, Kevin, Graphic Design (3): He and Kim Kegler were two of my biggest influences and allies. They have made great contacts with designers and firms in the Buffalo area which ultimately led me to gain first-hand experience through internships and design events in the area. The focus on design thinking and problem solving has given me a greater ambition to achieve more with my degree.

Kegler, Kim, Art: She and Kevin Kegler were two of my biggest influences and allies. They have made great contacts with designers and firms in the Buffalo area which ultimately led me to gain first-hand experience through internships and design events in the area. The focus on design thinking and problem solving has given me a greater ambition to achieve more with my degree.

Kelley, Dana, Business & Commerce Department

Kelley, Shawn, Philosophy and Religious Studies

Kent, Carol, Education: Thanks for everything during my student teaching. You took me under your wing and taught me so much about what is needed to be a successful teacher; I can never thank you enough.

Kim, Tae-Hyung, History and Government

Koebig, Felice, Art

Kolodziej, Theresa, Physical Therapy (2)

Krickovich, Susan, Education (2): She helped me to decide to focus on literacy. Thank you for being an amazing advisor and outstanding instructor in my undergrad work - I have so much more knowledge thanks to you.

Kuechler, Linda, Accounting: She was very helpful when I was applying to Daemen and especially helpful when determining which classes to take from semester to semester.

Looker, Sandra, Financial Aid Office

Malik, Christopher, Student Activities Office: I would like to especially thank Chris Malik for all he has done for student activities and the events and organizations that I have been involved with over the past few years.

Mankey, Richanne, Vice President for Student Affairs/Dean of Student Affairs (2): Dr. Mankey helped me see paths in careers that I had no idea existed. Your creative insight and unwavering sense of humor taught me the true meaning of Leadership - thank you for igniting the spark!

Mann, Catherine, Nursing: She was very supportive and knowledgeable, and she made you want to be more involved in the nursing profession.

Marck, Nancy, English: Dr. Marck was my absolute favorite professor. She is so knowledgeable about literature and such an engaging teacher. I learned much from her about literature, especially about Shakespeare and Jane Austen. She taught me to really analyze and think through literature. I often think of her and wish I were still under her teaching. Mostly, I wish I had an incredible memory and could

remember everything she taught. Unfortunately, I do not remember everything she taught, but I do remember a lot, for which I am very thankful!

Marinsky, Jane, Art

McMahon, Edward, Education (7): He was a very good advisor. He was the person who really had the biggest influence on me during my years at Daemen. Even when I had not attended school for several years, Dr. McMahon did everything he could do to make sure that I had a smooth transition back into the college life. Thanks for always believing in me Dr. McMahon! One of Daemen's best professors – he pushed us hard, but I learned the most from him! Mr. McMahon and Ms. Ratzel from the education department both helped clarify any questions I may have had. They also gave me direction in projects, life, and educational inquiries. Thank you for working with me and persuading me to come to Daemen, I cannot thank you enough!

Messinger, Penny, History and Government (3): She and Dr. Wise assisted with any endeavor I wanted to pursue including planning multiple trips with the History and Government Club (Salem, MA and Seneca Falls, NY), helping with my thesis work, sending both I and another student to do research, and any other question I had. They never were bothered by any question I had and always took the time to help me. They are without a doubt a reason why I enjoyed Daemen College so much. They made me feel like what I had to say was important and pushed me to my full potential. Due to this, I am grateful that I was able to have met such great professors and that they were the ones in which assisted me to become a successful Daemen College graduate.

Mihai, Claudiu, Mathematics

Miller, Robert, Executive Leadership and Change: I had a wonderful co-op experience with Robert Miller and am fortunate enough to be able to use him as a reference during my job search. He had me work on several projects which allowed me to use a lot of the education provided by Daemen. He was also very accommodating when we were setting up my work schedule. He provides good feedback that should be taken to improve the quality of ones' work.

Moore, Darrell, Academic Computing

Moore, Marcy, Physician Assistant Studies Department: Marcy introduced me to the PA program and was always there when I had questions or concerns.

Munk, Zissel, Brooklyn Program: She taught me SED 504- the Process of Reading. She was an excellent teacher and really showed an excitement and enjoyment for teaching children. I learned so much from her class, and it was so practical and useful for daily use when I was an assistant for Kindergarten and First Grade.

Niewczyk, Paulette, Health Care Studies: She and Professor Tutuska were very supportive and helpful with their knowledge. In addition, they both gave me encouragement while attending Daemen College.

Niland, Bridget, Business Administration/Sport Management (3): She constantly was hounding me to do well and helped me focus on my priorities; she was the first person to tell me I can actually work in sports. She taught me to go after the things I want and was very helpful when it came to helping with my school work.

Nosek, Cheryl, Nursing (5): She was very accommodating on my thesis project. She was never too busy to talk or help. Thank you for all your help and encouragement. Her patience, kindness, and support made the RN-BSN program very "do-able." Her class was very interesting, and I felt like I learned a lot from her. She was very supportive and knowledgeable; she made you want to be more involved in the nursing profession. Cheryl has broadened my understanding of important concepts relating to qualitative research as well as nursing education. I hope to be as effective in my teaching style as she is with hers.

Parshall, Lisa, History and Government (2)

Paszkowski, Krista, Co-op & Career Development Office (4): Krista always had the positive encouragement I needed to continue pursuing advancement within the Sabres (and taking countless internships to get me there!). She provided me with a mock interview and more than once assisted me with my resume. Your patient encouragement guided me through the ELC Program - thank you for your steadfast support!

Patterson, Joel, Physician Assistant Studies (3): He and Cara Innus' constant support and encouragement were a great influence to work hard and do our best in every part of our Daemen experience. Joel helped my confidence by reinforcing me when I did well.

Pawlik, Randall, Athletics: Randy was very influential in teaching me leadership skills on and off the soccer field.

Pereira, Luiz, Business Administration/Marketing (2): He introduced me to my current employer through professional networking. He was by far the most influential professor I had throughout all my years at Daemen. I'll never forget him.

Peterson, Shirley, English: Dr. Peterson was another favorite professor of mine. I had her only in my freshman year at Daemen, but I learned so much from her. She spent a lot of time with me working through one paper on *Frankenstein*. The process of working on that paper with her vastly improved my writing.

Pierowicz, Marjorie, Teacher Resource Center

Predmore, William, History and Government (2)

Radon, Stanley, Natural Sciences: Yet another unsung hero of my collegiate experience. One never truly understands how much better they can understand current events with just a little background in science and energy policy. Since Daemen didn't require me to take a traditional lab science, I turned to Environmental and Energy Policy I. This course not only taught me about energy and where it comes from, but the myriad of political and economic interests that exist and how they affect our everyday lives. When I turn on the TV and hear the broadcasters talking about gas prices going up, or the latest OPEC negotiations, I truly understand. I can better piece together the energy puzzle and can grasp the trickle down effect that the decisions will have on me as a student and as a consumer. Enjoying the first class so much, I decided to take Planet Earth. When traveling to Brazil, I was able to see far beyond the Sugar Loaf as a "really cool rock formation", but more from the scientific standpoint, understanding its origins and how truly magnificent it is. When the recent earthquake rocked the small country of Haiti, I was able to understand what a magnitude was and how it impacted the country and its infrastructure. It's just astounding how these seemingly "useless" classes can prepare you to be a better, more astute person in the long run.

Ratzel, Michele, Education Department (2): She and Mr. McMahon from the education department both helped clarify any questions I may have had. They also gave me direction in projects, life, and educational inquiries.

Roberts, Tamara, Education

Rosen, Brenda, Conferences and Events Office: She and Margene Weiss in the Conference & Events office influenced my growth as a student and individual development during my years at Daemen. They supported me as a student, co-worker, and future teacher. I will always appreciate everything they did for me!

Ross, Susan, Global Programs Office: She always gave me good advice and suggestions, and she organized many events for international students which helped me network with campus professionals.

Rusin, Mary Lou, Nursing (2): Thanks for all your help, encouragement, and for being a positive role model for me. Thank you for planning the program out in a very organized manner and encouraging me through the process.

Sabatino, Charles, Philosophy and Religious Studies (5): I never realized the value that Dr. Sabatino's religion and philosophy classes would have upon my law school career. By introducing me to hot button issues, I was better prepared to apply them to judicial jurisprudence than by merely reading Supreme Court decisions alone. I am able to stand more firmly in my opinions, understanding my personal views and how they support or refute the laws as they stand. He has been one of the most influential teachers who cares not only about the education but the students as well. Your creative insight and unwavering sense of humor taught me the true meaning of Leadership - thank you for igniting the spark!

Sankoh, Joseph, History and Government

Scheitinger, Dennis, Weekend Master's Program: Simply brilliant.

Schenk, Ronald, Physical Therapy: He influenced me the most to pursue what I love and what I am good at. He gave me the tools I needed to be one of the best therapists. I am most definitely one of the most informed and prepared clinicians at my current location thanks to him and the entire staff at the Daemen College Physical Therapy Department.

Schreiner, Mindy, Brooklyn Program

Schultz, Diane, Education: She and Beverlee Hill taught me the skills needed to become an effective teacher. They helped me develop my classroom management plan, and how to integrate other subjects into my curriculum.

Shallowhorn, Karl, Admissions (2): This man was amazing during my application period. Without the help of Karl my dream of becoming a teacher would not have come true! He does recruiting for the Canadian students and was amazing!

Shields, Bruce, Education (3): Thank you for the advisement and helping me get what I need in order to complete my degree in the easiest way. Dr. Shields has definitely been the most influential to me throughout my college years. He encouraged me to switch my major from Childhood Education to Childhood and Special Education so that I obtained a dual major. This is definitely the best thing I could have done because now, after working with children with special needs in the Thomas Reynolds Center, I

couldn't imagine working with any other students. Thank you for opening my eyes to the vastness that is special education.

Siedlecki, Peter, English (2): I took 2 World Literature courses with Dr. Siedlecki where I had the opportunity to become enlightened by the knowledge that he has. Often, I look back in my notes from his class for references and "ah ha" moments that I recorded when he was lecturing. He is a man of few words, but words that are powerful and that have forever changed me.

Siefert, George, Sociology and Social Work: Thank you for sharing social work knowledge and guiding me.

Sommer, Laura, Art (7): I took Dr. Sommer's art history class by a fluke. I was closed out of another class and looking quickly at the courses available in that time slot, found myself taking an art history class. I had never taken art before in my life, so I knew I was in for a big adjustment. Her class has proven to be valuable from the law school perspective. Each class we had to analyze paintings, from the "big picture" approach to the very minute details. Thinking back to her class, I was able to take that same approach to break down cases and contracts - from the big picture, and to the smallest details. She forced me into that maturity of college, and introduced me to how everything isn't supposed to come naturally... and sometimes you have to break things down to understand where the artist (or author) was coming from and what they wanted to be taken away from the piece. Dr. Sommer taught me extensive art history on multiple levels of intelligence, which has proven to be invaluable to my job. Her extensive knowledge was an endless source of inspiration. She constantly provided a challenge while encouraging us to do our best. She helped me grow not only as an art educator, but as a person - and that is something I will always remember.

Steck, Andrew, Education

Talebi, Norollah, Mathematics

Telesko, Michael, Art

Telford, Kevin, Foreign Languages (2): He influenced me in the sense that he was always there for me when I needed someone to talk to.

Terryberry, Karl, English (2): Dr. Terryberry was the single most influential professor that I had at Daemen. He not only taught an amazing class (CMP315-Writing for Medical Professionals), but truly cared about his students. He has offered advice that has served me well in my years post-Daemen, and I continue to tell anyone considering Daemen College for continued education that he will be one of the best professors they could ever have. Dr. Terryberry's "Advanced Composition for Health Professions" was one of the hardest courses I took at Daemen, but I gained excellent writing capabilities because of it!

Thurman, Blake, Academic Advising (2): I want to thank him for his constant support during my many career changes and his belief that I will find my niche even when I did not believe it was possible. He helped me get back on track in what I wanted to do after I realized that I wanted to switch my major.

Tutuska, Justine, Health Care Studies (9): Not only was she an advisor for me and helped me pick out my classes, but whenever I needed guidance or help with other things she was there for me. Without her I would not be where I am. She helped me through a lot and really allowed me to see all that I could accomplish. She is an amazing woman and person to have working at your College. She has a passion for what she does, and you can see it - she radiates that. She introduced me to International Service Learning and Public Health, both of which I was unfamiliar with prior to attending the Dominican Republic

trip. This opportunity led me to a future independent service learning trip. She and Professor Niewcyck were very supportive and helpful with their knowledge. In addition, they both gave me encouragement while attending Daemen College. She influenced me most during my college years at Daemen. She was extremely motivational and helpful in arranging any scholastic endeavors I chose to partake in. She provided guidance and support during my 4 years at Daemen College. I returned to school after 30 years, and Justine was there to guide me to complete my goal to graduate. She was the best! She gave me a great basis and foundation to what I would experience in my current MS program.

Vershay, Mary, Nursing: Mary was a great professor in that she encouraged her students to go as far as one can with their education. She made us feel great about furthering our education, and for taking the initiative to want to excel in our career paths. She is a great person, and I felt I learned a lot from her.

Walsh, Laurie, History and Government

Washington, G.E., Art: He was wonderful and encouraging.

Weeks, Beverly, Arthur O. Eve HEOP Office

Weiss, Margene, Conferences and Events Office: She and Brenda Rosen in the Conference & Events office influenced my growth as a student and individual development during my years at Daemen. They supported me as a student, co-worker, and future teacher. I will always appreciate everything they did for me!

Wheeler, Donald, Weekend Master's Program (2): He taught assessment, was fun and cutting-edge.

Whiting, Monte, Weekend Master's Program

Winter, Joe, Executive Leadership & Change: Your creative insight and unwavering sense of humor taught me the true meaning of Leadership - thank you for igniting the spark!

Wise, Andrew, History and Government (3): He and Dr. Messinger assisted with any endeavor I wanted to pursue including planning multiple trips with the History and Government Club (Salem, MA and Seneca Falls, NY), helping with my thesis work, sending both I and another student to do research, and any other question I had. They never were bothered by any question I had and always took the time to help me. They are without a doubt a reason why I enjoyed Daemen College so much. They made me feel like what I had to say was important and pushed me to my full potential. Due to this, I am grateful that I was able to have met such great professors and that they were the ones in which assisted me to become a successful Daemen College graduate.

Wright, Elizabeth, Education/Thomas Reynolds Center

Young, Brenda, Natural Sciences (4): She provided useful knowledge and academic guidance throughout my years at Daemen. Dr. Young is one of the most amazing professors that I have ever encountered. She is involved in so many different activities both on and off the college campus and thrives at her endeavors. Her dedication is unparalleled and her desire to teach unmatched. She has been an inspiration and should be applauded for her ambition. Dr. Young, my college advisor, always took the time to sit down and talk with me about my future plans and kept me focused on them. She took the time out of her own life to take our class to Costa Rica to study abroad for 10 days. What I learned and gained from the trip not only left me with a once in a lifetime experience, but it helped me with my acceptance into graduate school as well. Without her, I would have never experienced something that was so influential in my decision to continue my education in environmental science.

Departments and others cited by the Class of 2009:

Arthur O. Eve HEOP Office

Brooklyn TTI Program

Co-op and Career Development Office (2): I would also like to thank the entire Co-Op and Career Development Center. My resume went through many channels to ensure that when it was ready for employers to view that it was in the best possible condition. I sat through mock interviews, attended and participated in proper dress seminars and many resume building workshops. Thank you so much for your countless hours! My internship that was set up through Co-op was a great experience. The ladies at the Co-op office were so helpful and answered any questions I had along the way.

Daemen College Administrators/Faculty/Staff (3): A special thanks to all the people who I have worked with, met, helped, and enjoyed friendship with at Daemen: students, former faculty, support staff in all departments, and the like. I can never thank you enough. Thank you all for everything that you did and allowed me to be a part of. I will always treasure my time here. The instructors provided an adult learning environment for success.

Friends/Other Students (6): I think that the students influenced me most of all. All of my professors were very informative, but I learned the most by working with the others in the classes, and that helped me figure out what my next step after Daemen was going to be. Members in my cohort were very influential. Cohort, companion, and Tuesday night comrade - thank you!

Health Services Office

History and Government Department: I was greatly influenced by the entire History Department.

Mathematics Department: The entire Mathematics Department was very helpful. They pushed me when I needed it and taught me the necessary skills to become an effective mathematician.

Nursing Department (2): The entire nursing staff who demonstrated their excellence on a daily basis helped me to focus on what I need to excel as a nurse. I feel well prepared for my graduate education, thanks to my experience at Daemen.

Physical Therapy Department (4): Thank you to the professors in the professional phase of the physical therapy program. The entire physical therapy department has been influential in my professional development. They have all participated as positive role models within my chosen field and have encouraged me to have high standards of performance as a physical therapist. They helped to prepare me appropriately for the unexpected aspects of my job.

Physician Assistant Studies Department (2)

Teacher Resource Center: Thank you for all the work you do to help make sure students like me have everything needed to succeed and keep everything under control, together, and organized on a daily basis.