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Freshman Class Leads Cedarville to 13th-Consecutive Record Enrollment

CEDARVILLE, OHIO -- Cedarville University announced today its 13th-consecutive record enrollment, with 4,380 undergraduate, graduate, and online students a part of this year's campus community.

The freshman class of 995 students is the largest incoming class in university history, representing a 9% increase over last year's record of 911.

In 2018, total enrollment surpassed 4,000 for the first time in school history. The 2019-20 census marks a 4.5% increase, or 187 students, over last year's enrollment of 4,193.

Enrollment in The Graduate School at Cedarville University also continued to climb with 497 students taking classes in the Master of Business Administration, Master of Science in Nursing, Master of Ministry, Master of Divinity and Doctor of Pharmacy programs.

Cedarville is currently in the midst of a 10-year campus master plan that will position the Christian liberal arts and professional programs school for continued growth. A 282-bed residence hall will open in fall 2020, as will a 300-seat Chick-fil-A restaurant and a new facility to house the university's civil engineering program.

The master plan also includes a new school of business administration building, a welcome center and liberal arts building and expansion of Callan Athletic Center to accommodate proposed Master of Athletic Training and physician assistant programs by 2022.

"We are humbled by the privilege God has given us to be part of His transforming work in the lives of these students," said Dr. Thomas White, president. "We pray we are faithful in providing an excellent education marked by intentional discipleship in submission to biblical authority."

According to Dr. Scott Van Loo, vice president for enrollment management, most incoming students chose Cedarville because of the university's biblical worldview, academic reputation, the Bible minor built into every academic program, and the daily chapel service with dynamic worship and impactful teaching.

The new freshmen come with impressive academic credentials. The average ACT score of this class is 26.7, with an average high school grade point average of 3.86.

Cedarville continues to attract students from all over the country, with 48 states represented in the current student population.

"The continued growth of Cedarville University is a testament to God's kindness and goodness to this institution," White said. "We are committed to stewarding all that He has entrusted to us, remaining faithful to advance the Word of God and the Testimony of Jesus Christ in all we do."

Located in southwest Ohio, Cedarville University is an accredited, Christ-centered, Baptist institution with an enrollment of 4,380 undergraduate, graduate and online students in more than 150 areas of study. Founded in 1887, Cedarville is recognized nationally for its authentic Christian community, rigorous academic programs, strong graduation and retention rates, accredited professional and health science offerings and high student engagement ranking. For more information about the University, visit www.cedarville.edu.