



AN INSIDER'S GUIDE TO BENEDICTINE *

The best way to meet other faculty (staff) at Benedictine is:

- *Serving on committees*
- *Meeting people whose offices are near yours*
- *At the copy machines in the hall*
- *Work on committees*
- *Get involved in campus activities*
- *Be assigned to a committee where you have to work together*
- *Sit at a table in Krasa at lunchtime*
- *Sit next to someone you don't know at a REALLY long committee meeting*
- *Pay attention to e-mail*
- *Attend functions*
- *Volunteer for participation on cross-disciplinary projects and committees*
- *Informal meetings*

My favorite place for lunch (on campus) is:

- *Benny's (in Krasa) – Cafeteria with good buffet & lots of activity*
- *Coal Ben (next to Krasa)*
- *Common office area*
- *Picnic on the grounds (on the Quad)*

My favorite place for lunch (off campus is):

- *Morton Arboretum, Lisle*
- *Panera Bread Company, Naperville*
- *Barnes & Noble, Naperville*
- *Schmaltz Delicatessen, Lisle*
- *Apolis Greek Street Food, Lisle*
- *Portillo's, Naperville*
- *Egg Harbor Cafe, Naperville*
- *Paisans Pizzeria, Lisle*

What is the most important little-known fact about Benedictine?

- *It has a rich Benedictine heritage and set of values*
- *That we are older than the Jesuits*
- *That we have a beautiful pond with no trail around it*
- *The nutrition lab performs very edible and tasty experiments!*
- *It's rated very highly by U.S. News & World Report's survey of campuses on the basis of diversity.*
- *It has strong programs in the arts and humanities*

* *Based on faculty recommendations*

The best stress relief for me at Benedictine is:

- *Closing my door*
- *A powernap in my recliner*
- *Joking with faculty & staff*
- *Lunch at Krasa with faculty*
- *Bicycling to and from campus (everyone ought to do it!)*
- *Working out*
- *Playing the piano*
- *Taking a walk*
- *Visiting the chapel*

My favorite restaurant within 10 miles of Benedictine is:

- *Sullivan's Steakhouse, Naperville*
- *Nando's Peri Peri, Naperville*
- *Meson Sabika, Naperville*
- *LaSorella di Francesca, Naperville*
- *Maggiano's, Naperville*
- *White Chocolate Grill, Naperville*
- *Morton's Steakhouse, Naperville*
- *Rosebud, Naperville*
- *Jameson's Charhouse, Woodridge*

My favorite cultural venue within 20 miles of Benedictine is:

- *DuPage Symphony Orchestra*
- *Naperville Art League*
- *North Central College Performing Arts Association, Naperville*
- *Naper Settlement, Naperville*
- *Cantigny, Wheaton*
- *Naperville Riverwalk*
- *Wentz Concert Hall and Fine Arts Center, Naperville*
- *McAninch (the MAC) Arts Center at COD*
- *Fermi Lab programs*
- *Illinois Math & Science Academy's student performances (music, dance)*
- *Prairie Path (bike riding)*
- *Morton Arboretum*
- *Paramount Theater, Aurora*
- *Brookfield Zoo*
- *Drury Lane, Oakbrook*
- *Kane County Flea Market (St. Charles)*
- *DuPage Children's Museum, Naperville*
- *Pheasant Run Theater, St. Charles*

My favorite cultural venue in the City of Chicago (or surrounding area) is:

- *Museum Campus – Downtown*
- *Michigan Avenue*
- *Art Institute of Chicago*
- *The Lyric Opera*
- *House of Blues*
- *Shedd Aquarium*
- *Museum of Science and Industry*
- *Wrigley Field*
- *Architectural boat ride on the Chicago River*
- *The lake shore*
- *Seminary Co-Op Bookstore (Hyde Park – U. of Chicago)*
- *Orchestra Hall*
- *Auditorium Theater*
- *Lincoln Park Zoo*
- *Hancock Observatory*
- *Navy Pier*
- *Millennium Park*
- *Frank Lloyd Wright Home & Studio Tours, Oak Park*

The favorite place to grocery shop is:

- *Amazon Fresh, Naperville*
- *Costco, Naperville*
- *Jewel Osco, Naperville*
- *Trader Joe's, Naperville*
- *ALDI, Lisle*

The thing that surprised me most about Benedictine is:

- *The helpful nature of everyone*
- *The fact that people really do live out the idea of hospitality*
- *Men in dresses*
- *The diversity of the student body*
- *Openness to other viewpoints, such as the abortion debate a few years ago*
- *How easy it is to get to know a large number of people*

If I am having a professional problem situation, I find it most helpful to:

- *See my department Chair and the Dean*
- *Speak to one person who has the final say*
- *Consult my colleagues*
- *Talk it out with a trusted colleague & an objective outside person*
- *Talk with friends and professional colleagues*
- *Talk with colleagues at other campuses*
- *Talk to a colleague over lunch/coffee*

I would characterize the majority of students at Benedictine as:

- *Hard workers*
- *Overscheduled*
- *Good kids*
- *In the PhD program: hard-working, highly motivated achievers*
- *Diverse*
- *Better than average*
- *Friendly*
- *Eager, naïve, earnest, honest*
- *Overworked!*
- *Decent and good, and driven by vocational concerns*
- *Respectful; much better behaved than most area college students.*
- *Friendly, motivated and industrious*

At Benedictine, I very much enjoy:

- *My colleagues*
- *Openness to the discussion of new ideas*
- *The “ah-ha” moment in student learning*
- *Hooping at the undergraduate graduation ceremony*
- *Teaching freshmen*
- *Interacting with colleagues from other disciplines*
- *Teaching my classes*
- *Advising students*
- *My academic freedom*
- *My colleagues*
- *The people*
- *The Christmas season activities*

If there's one thing you should take the time to do at Benedictine, it is:

- *Relax*
- *Jurica-Suchy Museum*
- *Go to Mass and other events at the Abbey*
- *Visit the Monk's cemetery*
- *Sit by the slough*
- *Go to a homecoming football game*
- *Take the time to get to know students & colleagues better*
- *Go to the Abbey for Sunday Vespers*
- *Visit the library*
- *Sit in on another discipline's class*
- *Attend an athletic event or some other student activity that meets on the weekend*
- *Become more involved in student life*
- *Visit the chapel*
- *Visit the Kindlon 5th Floor Fr. Michael Komechak Art Gallery*

If I am having a problem with scheduling, the best way to solve it is:

- *Talk to the Department Chair and/or the Dean*
- *Look at what's written in stone and work around that*
- *Convene the parties*
- *Talk to the Registrar's Office if it involves classroom space*
- *See my secretary – she solves ALL my problems*

If I am in need of technical support, I can go to:

- *HelpDesk*

If I have a question about teaching, scholarship or service, I would go to:

- *Department Chair/Dean*
- *Faculty Handbook*
- *Department colleagues and administration*
- *Faculty Welfare Committee*
- *The Provost*
- *A senior tenured faculty member*

If I were going to be on two committees of my choosing, I would choose:

- *University Council*
- *Search committees*
- *Freshman Advising Program*
- *Rank & Tenure*
- *Faculty Development Committee*
- *Honors Committee*
- *Faculty Welfare Committee*
- *Library Committee – there's great food around the library during the holidays*
- *Core Curriculum Committee*
- *Programs Council*
- *Scholar's Program*

Important Numbers

Academic Affairs -

Provost and Chief Academic Officer (Dr. Kenneth Newbold)	6240
Associate Provost for Academic Affairs (Cheryl Heinz)	6581
Academic Support Center	6041
Academic Services Technology (Rico D'Amore)	6498
Admissions, Undergraduate & Adult	6135
Admissions, Graduate	6311
Advising Center	1120
Athletic Department	6150
Benedictine Central	6500
Business Office	6400
Bookstore	6010
Campus Services	6434
Career & Personal Development	6037
Deans Offices	
Olga Lambert, Interim Dean of the College of Liberal Arts	6247
Cheryl Mascarenhas, Dean of the College of Science & Health	6532
Darrel Radson, Dean of the College of Business	6018
Fr. Michael Komechak Art Gallery	6270
Health Services	6047
Help Desk, Information Technology	6684, helpdesk@ben.edu
Personnel Resources	6020
Jurica-Suchy Nature Museum	6531
Krasa Information Desk	6000
Library	6050
Public Relations/Marketing Communications	6232
Print Room	6424
Mail Room	6422
President's Office	6027
Public Safety (Emergency)	6666
Public Safety (Non-emergency)	6122
Rice Center (Athletics)	6140
University Ministry	6029