

# MISSION

Trustees, administrators, faculty and staff all bear responsibility for making the Jesuit mission of their school fresh and relevant for today. The impact of Jesuit institutions lies in their ability to integrate mission into every dimension of the schools' work. Recognizing that these efforts need support, AJCU offers a new resource: **Mission Integration Consulting**. All schools are invited to contract for the services most helpful to their mission enrichment.

# INTEGRATION

As you consider the most effective ways to integrate mission with the work of your university, know that we are ready to offer support. In-person consultations by AJCU staff and/or referrals to knowledgeable colleagues in the network will connect you with a deep well of resources on academic programs, governance, strategic planning, pedagogical approaches, student life, assessment practices, and other mission-relevant topics.

# CONSULTING SERVICES

## ***Deepening the Governance Capacity of Boards***

Board orientations, workshops and retreats that immerse trustees in the Jesuit, Catholic identity of the school, and rely on measurable objectives for mission growth

## ***Equipping Executive Leaders***

Structured conversations with presidents and senior leaders seeking to expand their competencies to lead Jesuit institutions



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## ***Support for Mission Priority Examen Processes***

Methods and strategies to help schools institutionalize mission priorities and set goals for growth

## ***Enriching Strategic Planning***

Mission formation workshops for university strategic planning and assessment

## ***Pedagogical Development***

Tools and philosophy of Ignatian pedagogy for application across multiple disciplines

## ***Strengthening Hiring Processes***

Mission-conscious search committee training programs and hiring protocols that are consistent with the culture of the institution

## ***Jesuit Community Engagement***

Facilitated dialogue between Jesuit communities and campus leaders on the current and future role of the Jesuit community in the institution

## ***Inter-University Collaboration***

Support for school-to-school or cluster initiatives that help Jesuit institutions collaborate with each other on new academic or operational projects.

# COMMENTS FROM COLLEAGUES

"AJCU's mission consultation services have no peers. Our board has found their retreats invaluable because they are well structured and presented by excellent facilitators. Board members have stated that the discussions have been 'riveting,' and they left their retreats feeling 're-energized.'"

~ Eugene Cornacchia, Ph.D.  
President, Saint Peter's University

"Dr. Stephanie Russell consistently delivers powerful, engaging and insightful talks specifically tailored to the needs of the audience. Her ability to help faculty and staff connect with the Catholic, Jesuit mission is both impactful and inspirational. A tour de force, Dr. Russell motivates listeners, both novice and experienced, to authentically and deeply integrate the Jesuit mission each day, across the many and varied roles at the university and beyond."

~ Gary Meyer, Ph.D.  
Senior Vice Provost for Faculty Affairs,  
Marquette University

*"Just planning for an educational institution is not enough. For it to be apostolic, it should make present the Good News in each institution, to every human being involved in it and benefiting from its service...We will not allow the tension between spiritual discernment through the examen and apostolic planning to disappear. We also will not let it turn into an administrative tool, an end in itself, that hides the purpose and meaning of what we're called to do."*

~ Rev. Arturo Sosa, S.J.  
Superior General of the Society of Jesus

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