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**Transfer Made Easy**

I hope you had a wonderful and relaxing summer spent with family and friends! I love the energy associated with the fall semester. A new academic year brings new beginnings, excitement and rejuvenated minds.

Here at Adelphi, we make transferring easy. We know every transfer student’s path is different and unique. We are ready to meet students wherever they are on their journey and get them to where they want to go. At Adelphi, we offer a personalized education, access to world-renowned faculty and internships that prepare students for their careers.

I’m so proud of Adelphi for being named to Phi Theta Kappa’s Transfer Honor Roll—a distinction awarded to just 65 institutions in the nation. Adelphi is relentlessly dedicated to the success of our transfer students and we are honored to be recognized for our efforts.

In this issue, you’ll read about our new NYC Scholars program, our commitment to diversity and inclusion, our NGO status with the United Nations and how we are transforming the lives of our transfer students every day.

Have a great fall semester!

Regards,

*Christina Koromi*

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**NYC  
Scholars:  
Live, Learn,  
Intern  
in the  
Big Apple**

NYC Scholars, a new program for Adelphi undergraduates, is set to start in Spring 2018 as an opportunity to study in New York City for a semester while interning at cultural, artistic, business or philanthropic organizations.

Adelphi University President Christine Riordan, Ph.D., described this new immersive, experiential living/learning program as “an unforgettable way to experience the world’s most exciting city firsthand.”

The new program is open to current Adelphi undergraduate students who have completed at least 15 credits at the University. During their NYC Scholars semester, accepted students will take specially designed courses and spend 15 to 20 hours weekly in an internship related to their majors or areas of interest.

In addition, cocurricular activities will include cultural excursions, volunteer days and meetings with Adelphi alumni.

These students will be housed together in beautiful Brooklyn Heights, a short train ride from Adelphi’s Manhattan Center on Varick Street.

The program’s aim is to have students expand their outlook, learn about global issues, network with Adelphi alumni and prepare for life after college.

Courses will include Black Writers I (English), Urban Environments (Environmental Studies), Ethnicity and the United States (Sociology), History of New York City (History) and Experience Theater: Off-Broadway (Theater). For additional courses, visit [nyc.adelphi.edu/curriculum](http://nyc.adelphi.edu/curriculum).

Details about NYC Scholars—which costs slightly more than a standard semester at Adelphi—are available at [nyc.adelphi.edu](http://nyc.adelphi.edu).

# Talk Back

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IN EACH ISSUE, WE INSERT A SURVEY POSTCARD TO ASK FOR YOUR INPUT.



**A student considering a transfer from a two-year community college asked, “What are some awards Adelphi has received recently?”**

In March 2017, readers of the *Long Island Press* voted Adelphi Best College or University on Long Island, and also chose the University’s Performing Arts Center as the Best Concert Venue and its campus the Best Public Garden.

Here are five other kudos among the many Adelphi has received from a variety of sources over the past year or so:

- *U.S. News & World Report* Top 150 National University rank
- *Money Magazine* Best Colleges
- *Forbes America’s Top Colleges*
- Northeast-10 President’s Cup for Outstanding Athletics

In addition, various schools under the Adelphi University umbrella have received honors:

- *U.S. News & World Report* Top Grad Schools in Social Work and in Nursing
- *USA Today* Top 10 Colleges for Social Work
- The Gordon F. Derner School of Psychology’s psychology program was ranked fourth in the world in psychology-psychoanalysis in spring 2017, according to the Center for World University Rankings.
- **Teacher.org** Top 20 Education Master’s Degrees
- National League for Nursing Center of Excellence (2014–2018)

For a fuller list of Adelphi accolades, visit [adelphi.edu/awards](http://adelphi.edu/awards).





# Get in the Game: Sports Clubs at Adelphi

by Olivia Rubino-Finn

Interested in sports but don't want to make the commitment to a Division II team? Check out the University's extensive assortment of sports clubs, which offer the same outlet for recreation in a fun, relaxed atmosphere.

Though the clubs exist under the auspices of Adelphi's campus recreation administration—which helps with tasks like putting together a constitution and scheduling space for practice—all day-to-day operations are managed by students. Once a club is up and running, student members of the executive board hold interest meetings and test events around campus; they run their own tryouts, practices and games, and communicate with other teams outside the University to arrange tournaments.

Last fall, Linda Gundrum, M.S. '86, director of Campus Recreation since 1987, announced the newest sports club—Strength and Fitness, inspired by a common interest in weight training among its founding members. Eventually, running, swimming and flexibility training (such as yoga and Pilates) may be added to this club's activities, she said.

Clubs come in three general types: participatory (like fencing and dancing, which practice on a weekly basis and are

just there to have fun), instructional (which are primarily educational in nature), and competitive (like badminton and baseball, which compete in tournaments and against other clubs). Some have tryouts and some have unlimited enrollment, but every club is open to students of all skill levels. They're designed for the casual participant: anyone who played sports in high school, wants to learn a new sport, or is simply interested in adding another on-campus activity to their list.

Getting involved is easy, according to Gundrum. "You don't have to have any experience," she said. "We have such a diverse offering of clubs right now that meet a lot of different interests." Look for interest-meeting announcements, which come

through email, social media, the campus recreation website, word of mouth, activity fairs at Orientation and admissions events.

Most important, Gundrum believes that sports clubs are an ideal activity to solidify a place for oneself on campus, especially for transfer students looking for a friendly, welcoming community. "The clubs become very close-knit groups," she noted. "It's a great way to get to know people and be active, and a great way for transfer students to build a group of friends."

## There are now 13 different club sports, including:

- **Badminton**
- **Baseball**
- **Bhangra Dance Team**
- **Bollywood Dance (AU Sapna)**
- **Equestrian**
- **Fencing**
- **Hip Hop Dance ("Evolution")**
- **Men's Basketball**
- **Men's Soccer**
- **Step Team (AU Paws)**
- **Strength and Fitness**
- **Ultimate Frisbee**
- **Women's Soccer**

## TOP 10 LISTS WHERE ADELPHI TRANSFERS COME FROM\*

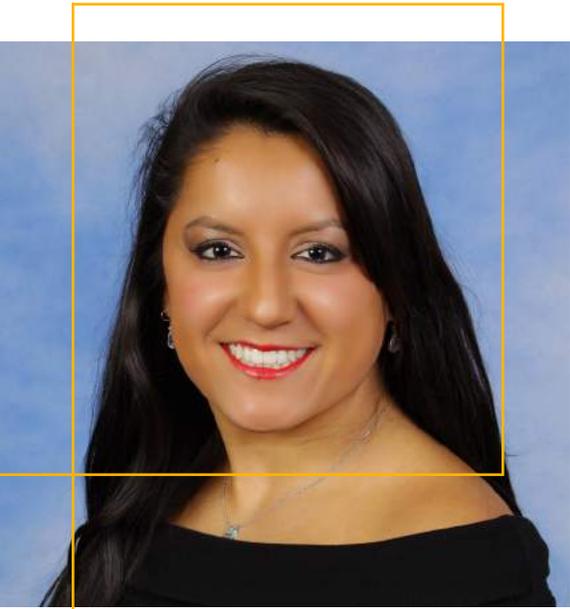
### Community Colleges

- Nassau Community College
- Suffolk County Community College
- Queensborough Community College
- Kingsborough Community College
- Borough of Manhattan Community College
- LaGuardia Community College
- Rockland Community College
- Westchester Community College
- Bronx Community College
- Bergen Community College

### Senior Colleges

- Farmingdale State College (State University of New York)
- Hunter College (City University of New York)
- Queens College (City University of New York)
- York College (City University of New York)
- Molloy College
- New York City College of Technology (City University of New York)
- State University of New York at Old Westbury
- St. John's University
- Medgar Evers College
- LIU Post

\*In descending order, based on Fall 2016, Spring 2016 and Fall 2015, as tabulated by Adelphi's Office of University Admissions



# Jessica Gutierrez '17: Living the Dream

by Olivia Rubino-Finn

Jessica Gutierrez '17 is reaping the rewards of her hard work in the face of extraordinary odds.

Gutierrez was born in Ecuador, moved to the United States in 2003 at age 9 and grew up in East Hampton, New York. After receiving a full-tuition Stay on Long Island Initiative (SoLI) scholarship in 2015, she transferred to Adelphi as an exercise science major from Suffolk County Community College.

Giving back has always been at the top of Gutierrez's agenda. She served as treasurer for her residence hall's Hall Council, pursued Adelphi's Leadership Certificate Program, and was a member of the Newman Club and the Latino Student Association. Becoming a peer assistant leader (PAL) was most rewarding for Gutierrez, who relished the chance to mentor incoming students. "I could completely empathize with someone who was brand-new to Adelphi because I was in their shoes not even a year ago as a transfer student," she recalled. "It was a great way to connect with the Adelphi community."

This summer, Gutierrez will enter the physical therapy doctoral program at Stony Brook University, where she plans to broaden her knowledge of the field and work with diverse populations across Long Island.

To incoming transfers looking to replicate her success, she suggests: "Take this opportunity as a chance to accomplish bigger and better things. Establish relationships, use your time wisely and leave a footprint everywhere you go."



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When Gutierrez graduated in May 2017, she became the first in her family to do so—an honor, she said, that makes her feel blessed. It's also been a challenge that cultivated a deep reserve of autonomy and independence. "Being a first-generation college student means accepting you'll do a lot of things without the help of your parents," she said.

While she had to seek outside help for things like filling out applications and visiting schools, the work ethic and support modeled by her parents gave her the courage to move forward. "My degree means success," she explained. "I want to set a good example for my little brother and make my parents proud."

## Adelphi Named to Phi Theta Kappa's Transfer Honor Roll

Adelphi University has made Phi Theta Kappa's 2017 Transfer Honor Roll, which recognizes "excellence in community college transfer pathways."

This recognition "identifies colleges and universities that understand the unique needs of community college transfer students and applauds the dynamic pathways these colleges have created to continue fostering student success at the four-year college," Lynn Tincher-Ladner, Ph.D., Phi Theta Kappa's president and CEO, said.

Kristen E. Capezza, M.B.A. '12, Adelphi's associate vice president for enrollment management, said, "Adelphi is so very humbled by the PTK Transfer Honor Roll designation. We take great pride in serving our transfer community with seamless pathways, institutional partnerships and student engagement. Each year, we reflect on new innovations

and ways in which we can simplify the transfer path from start to finish, maximizing efficiency in students' time to degree completion and overall investment in an Adelphi education."

Adelphi is one of just 65 institutions nationwide chosen to receive this honor. The selection was based on institutional partnerships, community college collaboration and outreach, pre- and post-transfer institutional support, data tracking, and transfer pathway innovations, according to the honor society.

As a Transfer Honor Roll institution, Adelphi will be recognized in the 2017 Phi Theta Kappa *Partners in Excellence* publication, which is distributed to higher education leaders across the country, as well as on the Phi Theta Kappa website and social media, the organization said.



## Arrange a Classroom Visit!

Even if you've already toured Adelphi's picturesque campus, why not go a step further? Sample a class you're especially interested in.

Come see the University famous for its personal touch—and find out firsthand just how great our small classes are, allowing you greater interaction with classmates and our dedicated, world-class professors. In fact, spend the day, eat lunch in the café and experience campus life on our beautiful campus.

Whatever your major—and Adelphi has more than 50 undergrad programs to choose from—you can arrange a class visit. Or, if you're still undecided, you might want to explore areas of study that can lead to promising careers—whether it's our new neuroscience program, our computer science major with a video game design concentration, or a variety of programs in health, wellness, fitness and nutrition.

In any case, we're confident that once you try Adelphi on for size, you'll agree we're a good fit for you.

The last day to preview a fall semester class will be Friday, December 1, 2017.

Contact us at [admissions.adelphi.edu/visit/sample-a-class](https://admissions.adelphi.edu/visit/sample-a-class) to schedule a class visit.

# ALL IN THE FAMILY

by Rich Maloof

**We often marvel at how closely knit the Adelphi University community is and love to hear students refer to each other as brothers and sisters. For these four pairs of siblings, attending Adelphi is truly a family affair.**



## Rachel and Stephanie Staiano

The Staiano sisters are a matched pair—both of them are deeply dedicated to athletics, good health and each other.

Rachel, pursuing an M.S. in Nutrition, was first onto the Garden City campus. She now coaches

cross country and track and field at Molloy College while working on her master's degree at Adelphi—and still finds time to volunteer at the American Diabetes Association. “My goal is to be a certified diabetes educator and help as many people as possible achieve a healthy lifestyle

through a healthy diet and exercise,” she said.

Stephanie transferred from Dowling College and is a senior studying physical education. After graduation next fall, she plans to coach while pursuing a master's degree in health. Sound familiar?

“Stephanie is the smartest, hardest-working individual around,” her sister said admiringly. “I knew she would ace all her classes and make a lot of friends. Softball was the icing on the cake.”

The softball team is Stephanie's second family. “We inspire each other every day and always work hard on the field and off,” said Stephanie. “I am a better student because of softball.”

Her advice to future transfers? “Be involved in the community at Adelphi. Our school is all about being part of something bigger than yourself.”



## Justine and Anthony DeLuca

“Anthony has always been one of my biggest inspirations,” Justine DeLuca said when asked about her decision to transfer from Dowling College. “He could not say enough great things about Adelphi and about his

lacrosse coach, Coach [Gordon] Purdie,” she said. “I was motivated by his accolades.”

Justine's goals are worthy of accolades, too. As a student in STEP—Adelphi's five-year Scholar Teacher Education Program—she's on track to graduate next spring with a B.A. in psychology

and, in her fifth year, to complete her master's degree. Her aspiration is to teach special education, and she's already gaining practical experience working in an assisted-living facility.

Anthony DeLuca '16, himself a transfer from LIU Post, studied accounting at Adelphi and just graduated from the Suffolk County Police Academy.

Both DeLucas built a diverse support network at Adelphi by playing sports and being engaged academically and socially.

“My teammates have made a huge impact on my life and I am thankful for each and every one of them,” said Justine of her Panthers field hockey mates. “They all have something great to contribute and their work ethic is impeccable. My teammates, along with my coaches, have motivated me to become a better player and person, both on and off the field.”

## Elizabeth and Bryan Kallenberg

Bryan Kallenberg '13 and his younger sister, Elizabeth, are three for three on formative experiences. Transfer to Adelphi from Nassau Community College—check. Tennis team—check. Career ambitions in finance—check.

"I felt Adelphi would be a good fit for Elizabeth because we both have the same skill sets," said Bryan, now working in commercial real estate finance. "I knew the talented teaching staff and athletic coaches would meet her needs."

Currently a junior majoring in finance, Elizabeth's skills on the court are matched in the classroom. She's already the recipient of numerous recognitions, including Most Outstanding Player at the NE10 Tournament (2015–2016) and an Academic Achievement Award (2016) from the Athletics Directors Association.

"Between practices and traveling to matches, I've had to stay on top of my schoolwork and

be conscious of my time management," Elizabeth said.

The Kallenbergs agreed that they've formed lifelong friendships with their tennis teammates, though tennis wasn't the only asset Bryan related to his sister.

Elizabeth recalled, "Bryan said the professors in the business school were able to incorporate their work experiences into the classes, which made the classes much more useful and interesting."



## Nicolette and Jessica Lodato

"Everything was a possibility at Adelphi." That's the read from Nicolette Lodato '16, who is now discovering new possibilities around the world.

"I got the awesome opportunity to be head coach of Commack Middle School field hockey, and it solidified my dream," she said. "Since graduating, I have also road-tripped across the country, traveled to Denmark, Switzerland and Mexico, and skied in the French Alps. I want to continue to travel and gain experiences so I can be the best school counselor possible."

Those are big shoes to fill, sure, but her sister Jessica is stepping in with both feet. Jessica, now a junior, transferred from SUNY New Paltz. The Lodato sisters share a focus on communications, and both see Adelphi's field hockey program as the lure they couldn't resist.

Jessica had initially been reluctant to attend her sister's school. "But when I transferred to Adelphi, everything kind of fell into place," she said.

When asked what she would say to a new transfer student, Jessica responded, "People transfer here for so many different purposes. Whatever the reason, you are not alone—and I hope you find a home at Adelphi just like I did."



# Focus on Faculty

## Kermit Frazier: Professor of English, College of Arts and Sciences



Kermit Frazier, an Adelphi professor of English and a prolific playwright, is known for art that doesn't shy away from difficult issues. Race-based violence, racial identity and interracial bonds, even insanity, are among the themes he has explored in the many plays he has written.

"I think plays have to deal with things that are relevant," Frazier said. "They tend to be controversial because they deal with issues that are ongoing and issues that people don't want to deal with."

From his first play, *Kernel of Sanity*, given staged readings at the 1979 Eugene O'Neill Theater Center's National Playwrights Conference, Frazier has delved into topics that don't exactly make for polite cocktail party conversation.

Frazier's newest play, *Modern Minstrelsy*, focuses on the relationship between Irish Americans and African Americans. The play, which depicts the story of an African American man shooting and killing a young Irish American boy, grew out of conversations Frazier had with an Irish American friend. While on sabbatical from Adelphi in 2011, Frazier traveled to the Caribbean, Africa and Ireland to research the play, and based the story on an actual shooting on Long Island.

Frazier didn't initially set out to be a writer. His best subject in school was math and he had ambitions in engineering. "I wasn't a reader, and I didn't write," he said. "I didn't start reading until I left high school. I never curled up with a book as a kid because I hated them."



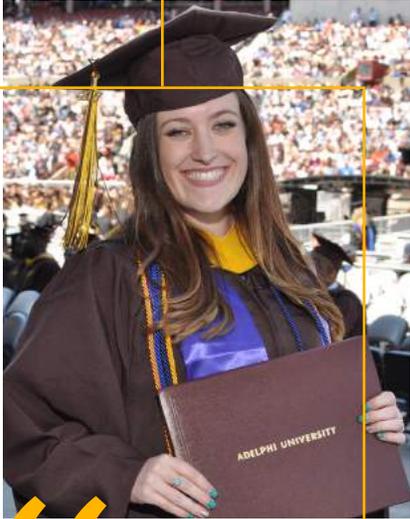
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After leaving college, Frazier was stationed in Texas with the Air Force and got a taste for acting. "I'd never done any theater at all," he said. "When I was in the Air Force, I worked in a community theater. It was when I got out that I decided I wanted to be an actor."

Although Frazier considers himself a playwright first and foremost, he has made a notable career in television too, including a stint as the head writer for Sesame Workshop's children's detective show, *Ghostwriter*, and as a writer for the soap opera *All My Children*.

At Adelphi, he has taught African American drama since 2004. "The students might not have read any African American drama before," he said. "They don't know much about the history, or about the culture, but that's what the course is for."

—Adapted from a Fall 2015 AU VU magazine article by Joshua King, M.F.A. '16



## Stephanie Sinkoff '17: Change of Scenery, Change of Pace

by Olivia Rubino-Finn

When opportunity knocks, Stephanie Sinkoff '17—a transfer student whose on-campus involvement jump-started her career development—is always ready to answer.

Sinkoff studied at Purchase College, State University of New York, and at Suffolk County Community College before she transferred to Adelphi. Friends at Adelphi told her she'd be a great fit, and once she went on a campus tour, she was hooked. "The community here is so vibrant and tight-knit," she said. "Getting involved seemed effortless."

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Sinkoff has done just that—and with flying colors. The majority of her free time at Adelphi was spent as transfer senator for the Student Government Association, which addresses and resolves complaints brought forward by students. "I made sure everyone's concerns are met and change is enacted," she explained. "It's really important for students to have their voices heard."

But Sinkoff's participation in campus life didn't stop there. She was also a member of Delta Phi Epsilon, the Marketing and Management Society, the Finance Society, Works in Progress and the Robert B. Willumstad School of Business Dean's Student Advisory Council. While others might see that level of responsibility as a burden to their schoolwork, Sinkoff found it invigorating. "When I transferred, I was looking to meet as many people as possible," she said. "Then I became focused on making change, even if it's just in small increments, and being someone others can rely on."

While Sinkoff initially had her heart set on being a doctor, one class at Adelphi's Willumstad School of Business turned her plans upside down. "That was all it took to realize I wanted to study business," she recalled. A marketing major who graduated in May 2017, Sinkoff plans to follow a career in sales of medical equipment, which allows her to keep one foot in the medical world and one in business.

Looking back on her trajectory, Sinkoff has no regrets about making the decision to transfer. She's forged lifelong connections, acquired invaluable experience and become a leader in her community. "Adelphi makes it easy to take advantage of all these amazing opportunities," she said. "Transferring here was the best decision I've made in my life."



## Small World, Big Opportunities

by Ira Hellman

About 2,200 miles south of Garden City, New York, lie the hills of Ciudad Colón, Costa Rica. Nearly 3,700 miles to the northeast sits the coastal town of Moss, Norway. Meanwhile, a 23-mile westbound hop on the Long Island Rail Road ends in midtown Manhattan, where those locales converge at the United Nations. There, a special relationship has been opening doors for Adelphi students for more than a decade and forging connections around the world, from Scandinavia to Central America.

Thanks to a heritage of global commitment begun under the University's first president, Charles Levermore, Ph.D., and nurtured by passionate faculty and administrators, Adelphi has two critical connections to the U.N. In 2010, it became a charter member of the United Nations Academic Impact initiative, which brings an annual conference on peace and human rights to Adelphi's campus.

Secondly, in 2003, Adelphi became one of the few institutions of higher learning granted nongovernmental organization (NGO) status by the U.N. Department of Public Information. NGO status—usually reserved for relief organizations, environmental groups and other nonprofits—lets Adelphi students engage in a wide array of programs, conferences and courses.

Chief among them is Levermore Global Scholars (LGS), an academic honors community that enables students—no matter their major—to deep dive into issues such as sustainable development, attend invitation-only events with diplomats and have their voices heard by top U.N. officials. The LGS Fellows program also brings international scholars to lecture, supervise research and mentor on campus.

"Most of our engagement is in New York City," said Peter DeBartolo, an Adelphi adjunct professor who administers the program along with its academic director, Associate Professor Cindy Maguire, Ph.D. "But it doesn't end there."

LGS takes students to places like Ciudad Colón, where they do research at the U.N.'s University for Peace (UPEACE). It helps them get internships and seed funding for community projects. It also brings them from places like Moss, where Adelphi partners with the American College of Norway.

Ida Eriksson '14 transferred to Adelphi and joined LGS after her sophomore year at the American College of Norway. Through LGS, she consulted on U.S. development—and her recommendations were included in an official report to the U.N. secretary general. She also researched sustainable development at UPEACE in Costa Rica.



With a B.A. in International Studies, Eriksson works at the Royal Norwegian Embassy in Tallinn, Estonia, and plans to pursue a master's degree in international education in the U.K.—a path she traces back to Garden City. “I’m grateful for the relationships I made with fellow LGS students and professors at Adelphi,” Eriksson said. “It was a home away from home in many ways.”

Current LGS students hail from 37 majors. There’s the nursing student who attends World Health Organization briefings; the accounting major who speaks with authority on “conflict minerals” in supply chains; and the physics student whose research on sustainable engineering earned him a ticket to a prestigious master’s program.

“It’s a diverse group,” said DeBartolo, “but each often ends up becoming the most globally minded person in the room in whatever field they go into.”

Non-LGS students can also take advantage of the University’s global ties, with weekly briefings at the U.N., lectures from LGS Fellows and conferences on a variety of topics.

Then there’s the National Model United Nations class taught by Professor Katie Laatikainen, Ph.D., interim director of international studies, who played a key role in getting Adelphi’s NGO accreditation. The course is a rigorous elective that culminates in a five-day conference—the

world’s largest—at U.N. headquarters. Participating students represent an assigned nation’s “mission” by debating key issues and policies that concern it.

The course is demanding and offered only every other spring. But “the benefits can’t be overstated,” said Emil Thomsen, a political science major who graduated in May 2017. The Denmark native participated in 2016 and served on Adelphi’s delegation representing Malta.

Thomsen transferred from the University of New Haven for Adelphi’s broad international student body and its soccer program. He hopes to use what he has learned to represent his native Denmark at the U.N., a prospect enhanced when he introduced the Danish ambassador to the U.N. at an on-campus event. “It develops your decision making, assertiveness, public speaking, research skills—all things that are incredibly important in the career I want to pursue,” he said.

LGS alumna Erica White ‘15 participated in the Model U.N. and now serves with the Peace Corps in Madagascar en route to a master’s degree in public health. “I don’t think that career path is a coincidence,” DeBartolo said.

Ultimately, college is about preparing to succeed in the world. Adelphi’s global connections make discovering the world that much easier.



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ease of transfer.

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**\$10.7  
million**

in academic  
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to transfer applicants  
in 2016–2017

**97%**

of Adelphi students  
have jobs or are in  
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## Opportunity for All



Perry Greene, Ph.D., became vice president for diversity and inclusion at Adelphi University in July 2016. But for years before that, as associate provost for faculty affairs and institutional diversity, he spearheaded and participated in a host of diversity initiatives and committees. His new role is the culmination of a career dedicated to making a difference.

Born in Queens, New York, Dr. Greene grew up in New York City and Westchester. His parents were professional actors and he followed suit, landing one of his biggest roles at age 5 in the movie *Edge of the City* with Sidney Poitier. By the time he left acting at age 23, he had secured small parts in some big shows on stage and screen—the musical *Godspell* and TV shows including *The Patty Duke Show* and *Guiding Light*.

A desire to make a lasting impact drove Dr. Greene toward education. He taught for years, first as a special education teacher at an elementary school in Brooklyn and then as a high school English teacher in Harlem and on Long Island, working mostly with underserved communities.

“I learned from that experience that one of the most important mind-sets that an educator can bring to the table is trust,” he said.

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Collaboration has been important to his Adelphi career as well.

As co-chair of the Adelphi University Diversity Committee, he helped establish a mentoring program for incoming students from underrepresented backgrounds. The committee, with the Office of Human Resources, recently launched a Diversity Certificate Program for faculty and staff. “Our goal is to provide ways for people to understand how not only to make the University more diverse, but that ever-important area of making the University inclusive and welcoming,” he said.

That description could easily be applied to Dr. Greene’s new office, which President Christine M. Riordan created as an outgrowth of *Momentum: The Strategic Plan for Adelphi University 2016–2021*. One of the plan’s overarching goals is to “establish Adelphi as a model of diversity and inclusion.”

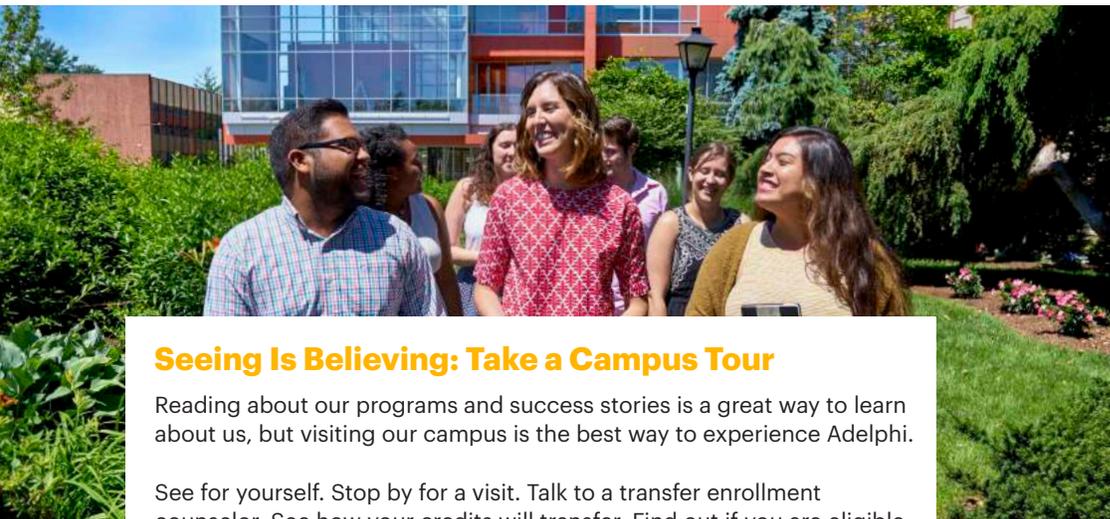
For Dr. Greene and his colleagues, diversity extends far beyond race and ethnicity. It encompasses the “broad array of the human experience in the people you have and the ideas and perspectives you include at the institution. But diversity won’t work unless you have inclusion—unless the people feel welcome at the table.”

—Adapted from a July 2016 profile by Bonnie Eissner on Adelphi’s website

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## Seeing Is Believing: Take a Campus Tour

Reading about our programs and success stories is a great way to learn about us, but visiting our campus is the best way to experience Adelphi.

See for yourself. Stop by for a visit. Talk to a transfer enrollment counselor. See how your credits will transfer. Find out if you are eligible for one of our generous transfer scholarships or financial aid.

Stroll around our picturesque Garden City campus, a 75-acre registered arboretum filled with outdoor sculpture, bustling with students and featuring our modern Performing Arts Center and Center for Recreation and Sports, as well as our newest residence hall and the Nexus Building.

Email [tours@adelphi.edu](mailto:tours@adelphi.edu) to schedule a campus tour.

**Can't make it to campus?** Check out our new interactive campus map at [map.adelphi.edu](http://map.adelphi.edu). Or better yet, see our drone's-eye view of the campus at [adelphi.edu/drone-video](http://adelphi.edu/drone-video).

## Transfer Admission Days

Tuesday, November 14, 2017

Thursday, November 16, 2017

Tuesday, November 21, 2017

Thursday, January 4, 2018

Tuesday, January 9, 2018

## Transfer Registration Days

Monday, December 4, 2017

Thursday, January 11, 2018

(All events are in the Nexus Building.)