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North Central Association Renews UD Accreditation

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DAYTON, Ohio, July 28, 1988--Following a comprehensive evaluation during the 1987-88 academic year, the Commission on Institutions of Higher Education has renewed accreditation of the University of Dayton. The commission is part of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools (NCA), a not-for-profit organization of elementary, secondary and post-secondary institutions based in Chicago.

UD was first accredited by the NCA in 1928, and its accreditation has been renewed regularly every 10 years. The next comprehensive evaluation will be conducted during the 1997-98 academic year.

The evaluation is conducted in two phases. A self-study report is submitted to NCA, followed by a visit from an evaluation team of educators from other universities. In the report submitted by UD's visiting evaluation team, UD is described as "a student-centered, caring place in which there is a genuine effort to produce an ethically mature and ethically responsive graduate." Allan O. Pfnister, vice chancellor of academic affairs at the University of Denver, chaired the evaluation team.

UD is a private, co-educational school founded and sponsored by the Society of Mary (Marianists), a Roman Catholic teaching order. UD is the largest independent university in Ohio and the ninth largest Catholic university in the nation.