

# 2014 Annual Report to ELCA Synods and Congregations

#### **Mission Statement**

Wartburg College is dedicated to challenging and nurturing students for lives of leadership and service as a spirited expression of their faith and learning.

Wartburg College helps students discover and claim their callings connecting their learning with faith and values, their understanding of themselves and their gifts, their perspective on life and the future, and the opportunities for participating in church, community, and the larger society in purposeful and meaningful ways.

#### Enrollment

Fall 2014 enrollment at Wartburg College was 1,661 students. 10.1% are international students from a record 69 countries. 66.2% of our students are from Iowa, 8.2% are from Minnesota, and 6.9% are from Illinois. More than 25 Christian denominations and eight world religions are represented on campus, with 29.4% of the student body affiliated with the Lutheran church. The top five majors are biology, business administration, communication arts, elementary education, and music education, followed closely by psychology, engineering science, and fitness management.

# Strategic Plan 2010-2020

# Living our Learning, Claiming our Calling, Transforming Tomorrow

The Wartburg College Strategic Plan embraces six goals: integrative learning, commitment to vocation, mentoring community, outstanding infrastructure, investing in people, and telling the Wartburg story. Additional information about the plan is available at https://www.wartburg.edu/strategicplan.

### **Transforming Tomorrow**

The \$75 Transforming Tomorrow comprehensive campaign was publicly launched in 2014 and developed out of Wartburg's strategic plan to enrich the campus community through three components: investing in **people** to ensure student access, investing in **places** to enhance student living and learning, and investing in **programs** to enable student success. Additional information about the campaign is available at <a href="http://www.wartburg.edu/transform">http://www.wartburg.edu/transform</a>.

#### Commitment to Faith

Wartburg is an inclusive community of faith rooted in the ELCA Lutheran tradition. Spiritual Life & Campus Ministry accompanies students, faculty, and staff from all traditions on their spiritual journeys. Church Relations supports the work of the Center for Community Engagement by connecting college resources to faith community partners and identifying opportunities that provide student learning, meet community needs, and enrich the Wartburg mission.

# The Saint John's Bible, Heritage Edition

The Saint John's Bible ignited the imaginations of people of all ages during the yearlong program at Wartburg College. Students, faculty, and staff collaborated across disciplines to provide educational opportunities to the campus and greater community. Thousands of people explored the handwritten, illuminated 21st century Bible in the art gallery, at Vogel Library, through campus and community programs, and at Christmas with Wartburg. Additional information is available at <a href="http://knightguides.wartburg.edu/bible">http://knightguides.wartburg.edu/bible</a>.

#### Many Blessings

At Wartburg, students take a journey of discovery, embracing their passions and unlocking their potential to realize their purpose. Our Lutheran identity is central to who we are as a college. Thank you for your continued ministry, partnership, and prayers.

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