University of Delaware: Institutional Profile

- Research university with very high research activity (less than 3% of U.S. colleges and universities)
- “High Undergraduate” (~18,000 undergrad/~4,000 graduate students)
- Research 1 - “Comprehensive programs, no medical/veterinary school” (NOT “Research Doctoral: STEM dominant)  
- ~300 doctoral degrees annually (80-85% STEM)
- 67 doctoral programs – 4 in humanities
- 143 masters – 5 in humanities
University of Delaware: Institutional Profile

• Since 1990, 3 presidents with primary or joint appointments in STEM fields
• Since 2001, 3 of 5 provosts in STEM fields
• Since 2005, deans of the College of Arts & Sciences have been from STEM fields

“We need to take our graduate and professional education programs to the next level.”

—President Dennis Assanis, General Faculty Meeting, September 2016
1. Staging Introductions: Bringing National Advocates to Campus

Higher education “must be in the world,” not an ivory tower.

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"It's time for humanists to very deliberately and more powerfully re-engage the public realm and speak in publicly accessible ways."

NEH Chairman Bro Adams at UD, Fall 2016
2. Ghostwriting, Co-Writing, Drafting Copy for Other Voices

"This initiative in African American material culture and public humanities training at the doctoral level is ambitious, timely, and transformative. It re-imagines doctoral education in the humanities as a form of public engagement designed to create scholars with the skills and relevance to work both inside and outside the academy. It re-imagines the doctoral experience in terms of project-based classes and internship experiences on and off campus that generate new and innovative forms of public scholarship and train students in new ways. And it re-imagines the doctorate as a twin driver of academic excellence and diversity."

— George Watson, Dean, College of Arts and Sciences
The IHRC’s mission is to:

• Strengthen faculty research and creative activity
• Support *multi-disciplinary collaborations anchored in, but not limited to, the humanities*
• Foster intellectual community and public engagement

http://www.ihrc.udel.edu/
3. Humanities “by the numbers”

104 grant recipients

28 projects

46 external partners

4 colleges

27 departments

5 years

INTERDISCIPLINARY
HUMANITIES RESEARCH CENTER
4. Stories and Images/Images as Stories

Preserving Our Global Cultural Heritage: Art Conservation @ UD
Art Conservation @ The University of Delaware

Undergraduate major; 3-year MS (co-sponsored by Winterthur Museum); PhD in Preservation Studies
Archeological Glass from Nippur, During Conservation Treatment
Archeological Glass from Nippur, After Conservation Treatment
Connoisseurship, Conservation, and Human Memory
December 26, 2014, Washington Court House, Ohio

http://www1.udel.edu/udaily/2015/jan/photographs-011415.html
280 Fire- and Water-Damaged Photographs

http://www1.udel.edu/udaily/2015/mar/photographs-ohio-031015.html
Emergency Recovery: Salvaging Memories

“It’s the kind of painstaking work more often done for pharaohs, kings, Rembrandts and du Ponts.”
Before and After Stabilization, Cleaning & Digitization

“Sharing our skills and knowledge in important ways,” —Debra Hess Norris
Thank you!

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