Sally Breidegam Miksiewicz Center for Health Sciences

Fifth Anniversary



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Thank You from Our President

When I returned to my alma mater in 2013 to serve as Moravian's 16th president, the Board of Trustees and I shared a vision to expand the nursing and health science program and facilities at Moravian. To see the Sally Breidegam Miksiewicz Center for Health Sciences open four years later was an incredible moment in my tenure—made possible by your philanthropic support. The past five years have been phenomenal. The center has positioned Moravian University as a competitive institution and attracted students seeking healthcare careers. The technology in the center is only a wishlist item for other institutions. For us, it is a reality. Little did we know the impact the center would have during the pandemic. The expansive building allowed our professors and students to safely social distance, the simulation labs easily made virtual learning possible, and the center provided a space for research on our COVID-19 mitigation policies and procedures. Our vision, brought to life by

your foundational support, has made all the difference for our students the past few years. We truly appreciate you for being a part of this transformative undertaking. Every bit of credit for the center's impact on Moravian's campus is certainly yours. Thank you!

—President Bryon L. Grigsby '90, P'22, P'26



Impact of Your Support

Sally Breidegam Miksiewicz Center for Health Sciences

The Sally Breidegam Miksiewicz Center for Health Sciences is a 55,000-square-foot, state-of-the-art facility for undergraduate and graduate programs. It is used primarily by Nursing and Health Science majors. The center has changed the landscape of the Nursing and Health Science programs by centralizing instructors, students, and learning spaces under one roof. It boasts multiple seminar rooms and simulation labs, five traditional classrooms, and labs in nursing, anatomy and physiology, microbiology, chemistry, and informatics. The center is lovingly named after Sally Breidegam Miksiewicz '84, daughter of DeLight and Helen Breidegam.

"I knew as soon as I saw the Sally Breidegam Miksiewicz Science Building, I wanted to attend Moravian for nursing. I went on many visits trying to find my perfect fit where I would also receive the best education and after touring the Sally building seeing all the technology and resources I could use to further my learning I knew Moravian was for me."

—Sydney Anderson '25



Helen S. Breidegam School of Nursing and Public Health

The Helen S. Breidegam School of Nursing and Public Health is housed in the center and is rated the #1 nursing school in Pennsylvania by Nurse.org.

"The construction of the Sally building has really been an amazing addition not only to the University as a whole but in particular to the Helen S. Breidegam School of Nursing. Prior to its construction, the nursing department was scattered over the north campus, and our simulation resources were meager. Having all of our offices in the same building has allowed the nursing department to be even more engaged with the students and each other."

—Donna Keeler PhD, RN, Assistant Clinical Professor (Retired)



Nursing Simulation & Skills Lab

The Nursing Simulation & Skills Labs provide true-to-life simulations for students. The apparatus at the head of each bed mirrors a standard hospital setting, offering invaluable experiential learning opportunities.

"I absolutely love this space. The skills lab and high fidelity rooms allow our students the opportunity to practice real situations and needed skills without the fear of making a mistake. It also allows them the opportunity to make a mistake and then learn from it. These spaces. I feel, provide the students with a more comprehensive education."

-Elise Colancecco, PhD, MSN '04, Assistant Professor of Nursing

Flicker Virtual Cadaver Lab

The Flicker Virtual Cadaver Lab is the only virtual cadaver lab in the region featuring a high-tech Anatomage Virtual Dissection Table with two 16"x9" displays positioned end-to-end allowing for critical learning and exploration of the human body. During the global pandemic, this lab provided a seamless way for instructors to teach virtually. In addition, the lab has been a tremendous asset in recruiting the best and brightest future health professionals to Moravian.



"The Lab has allowed me to be creative with delivering human anatomy. Never before would I have thought that the things I am doing within our Master of Science in Athletic Training and Doctor of Athletic Training programs would be possible. The Lab has allowed me to synchronously work with students across the country in an engaging and meaningful way."

—David A. Wilkenfeld, EdD, LAT, ATC, Assistant Professor & Director of Clinical Education

Research & Clubs

Research and clubs are critical to a comprehensive education. The center has served as a central location for student research on pandemics and the use of face masks, health policy on immigration, poverty, food insecurity, and more. Students have also found the center a meeting place for the Public Health Club which seeks to provide students with professional development opportunities and experiences in the community.

"The space has been instrumental for public health majors and minors and has provided opportunities to gain leadership skills."

—Colleen Payton, PhD, MPH, CPH, MCHES, Assistant Professor, Director of the Public Health Program

Learning Experiences

Learning experiences exist at the heart of the center. The entire campus utilizes the large gathering rooms and quiet study areas. The space has fostered students' clinical reasoning and allowed them to apply these skills in a real-world atmosphere. The building was constructed to take advantage of natural lighting, and instructors and students say this adds to the learning experience.

"This space allows multiple spots across the building for studying with all the amenities and is a beautiful spot for getting work done and attending classes."

—Hannah Johnson '22

Community Partnerships

Community partnerships are vital to student success. Our relationships with local healthcare providers, St. Luke's University Health Network and Lehigh Valley Health Network, have strengthened over the past five years. Students pursuing careers at these health networks are fully prepared because of the immersive learning they receive in the center.

"Our nursing program is highly recognized in our community and by local healthcare institutions. SLUHN and LVHN personnel have shared that they love it when Moravian students are scheduled in their clinical units. The students are well prepared for the profession of nursing."

—Deborah A. Halliday, PhD, MSN, Simulation Lab Coordinator and Instructor

Good Eats

Good eats are vital to the educational experience. The center is home to DeLight's Cafe, named after DeLight E. Breidegam Jr. The cafe features Zime, Natural Smoothie, and Starbucks, providing students with health-conscious options and plenty of fuel to study. The best sellers in this unique cafe are the chopped garden salad with a light balsamic dressing and the strawberry banana smoothie.

"I have truly made the Sally a second home to me and utilize it often whether it is for class, studying in a conference room, performing nursing simulations, talking with my professors in their offices, or grabbing lunch and hanging out with friends in DeLight's. I am grateful for the wonderful addition the Sally has brought to Moravian's campus, and I know it will be enjoyed by all for years and years to come!"

—Cassidy Fernandez '22





Named Spaces

First Floor

Breidegam Lobby in memory of DeLight E. Breidegam Jr.* in memory of DeLight E. Breidegam Jr.* P'84, GP'14, GP'16, GP'18

Flicker Virtual Cadaver Lab in loving memory of Deborah J. Flicker donated by her loving husband, Robert P. Flicker '71

Sally's No Shoes Lounge in memory of Sally Breidegam Miksiewicz '84 donated by Fellow Members of the Board of Trustees

Ketterman-Benner Seminar Room named in honor of Dawn Ketterman-Benner

donated by Jean Villano '86 & James G. Petrucci and the Petrucci Family Foundation

Rampolla Seminar Room

donated by Anne McCandless '79 & Kenneth J. '79 Rampolla

Second Floor

B. Braun Informatics Lab donated by B. Braun Medical, Inc.

Bishop Faculty Office, office of Dr. Tanu K. Altomare donated by Teri McCandless '81 & Ray S. Jr. '81 Bishop P'10

Brubaker Faculty Office, office of Dr. Lori Hoffman donated by Laurie Riley '82* & Lloyd Brubaker



Second Floor (cont.)

Christensen Faculty Office, office of Mary Beth Albert donated by Greg & Mary Ann Christensen

Corvino Faculty Office, office of Dr. Benjamin Coleman donated by Jaime Marks '04 & Brian J. '02 Corvino

Gordon Mowrer Community Health Room donated by R.K. Laros Foundation

Grigsby Chair of Nursing Office, office of Dr. Dawn M. Goodolf donated by President Bryon and Mrs. Lea Grigsby '90, P'22, P'26

Grossman Exam Room
donated by Woodrin Grossman '66

Hoffmeier Exam Room donated by Joseph Hoffmeier Jr. '88

Public Health Professions Research & Advisory Suite (official name pending) donated by Honnie Spencer, MD '90

McKinnon Faculty Office, office of Dr. Taylor Grube donated by Deborah Oplinger '73 and Russell McKinnon

Nursing Conference Room

donated by members of the Nursing Faculty

Oswald Faculty Office donated by Ann & Brian '82 Oswald

St. Luke's Simulation Lab donated by St. Luke's University Health Network

Third Floor

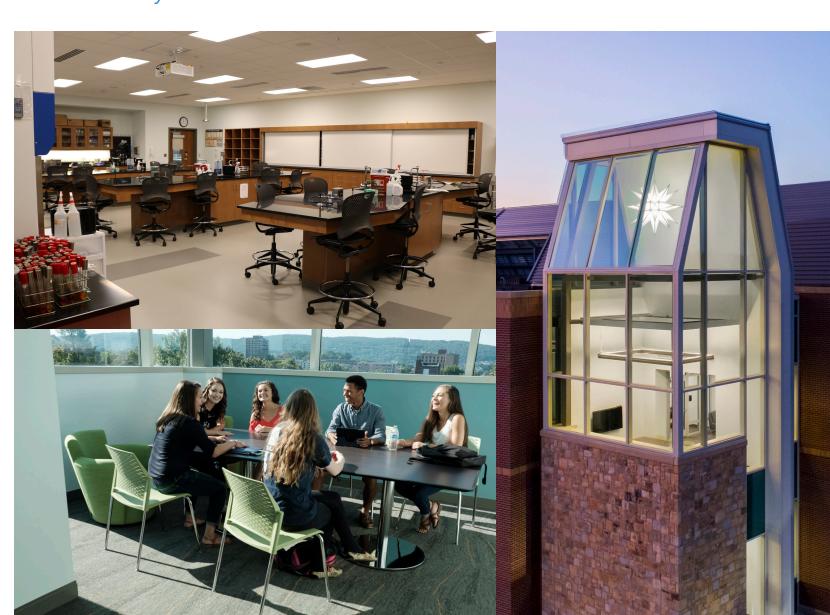
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With gratitude to the Breidegam and Miksiewicz families for their partnership and generosity to the health sciences at Moravian University.

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-Kenneth J. Rampolla '79, Trustee & Chairman of the Joint & College Boards 2008-2021

"Your generosity supporting this transformational building has made a difference in the academic experience for so many of our students. The Sally has established a very high standard for both design and academic programming on our campus, which could not have been done without your support. Thank you for your role in creating an environment of excellence for our students and faculty."

-Mark Reed, Vice President for Finance and Administration, CFO

