

# DEPAUW UNIVERSITY

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Nathaniel Colvin  
Tech House

Dear Nathaniel:

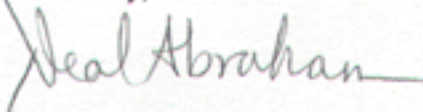
Last Friday, TechPoint, Indiana's leading IT professional organization, honored our 361° initiatives with one of the 2003 Mira Awards for "excellence in the delivery or use of technology to further learning and educational achievement." DePauw was one of only three Indiana colleges and universities to be recognized from an impressive roster of major programs and initiatives that included the Purdue University School of Technology, the Indiana University School of Dentistry, the Indiana University School of Nursing, the Indiana State University School of Technology, the Butler University Health and Counseling Center, I-Light: Indiana's Optical Fiber Initiative, the Center for Interactive Learning and Collaboration, Access Technology Across Indiana, and the University of Notre Dame (the others to receive awards were the Indiana University School of Library and Information Science's Howard Rosenbaum and Ball State University's IT Training Program). It is a significant honor for DePauw's initiatives to be recognized above such an impressive group of universities and programs.

The innovativeness and distinctiveness of 361° are also receiving national recognition. Three weeks ago, DePauw was notified that the New Media Consortium (NMC) had named the University a New Media Center for its 361° initiatives. Since the NMC's founding in 1993, only about 125 institutions described by the organization as "exceptional, innovative and visionary" have been granted this designation, which "denotes an organization deeply committed to expanding the boundaries of teaching, learning, and creative expression." In informing DePauw of its selection, Dr. Larry Johnson, president and CEO of the NMC, noted, "Even among a very strong field, it was quite clear that DePauw University is a place where smart, creative people are devising innovative solutions to challenges we all face in teaching and learning. The dedication to excellence here is palpable, and students and faculty are the clear beneficiaries. This recognition is well deserved."

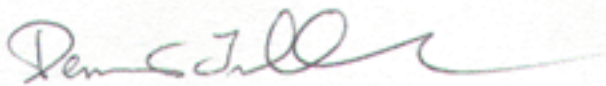
We agree, and we would like to thank you for devoting your time, energy, skill, and creativity to the success of our 361° programs. The Master of Ceremonies at the Mira Awards praised DePauw's 361° Initiatives as "a creative and collaborative effort to transform teaching and learning through technology innovation." He was right to acknowledge the collaborative efforts of DePauw's faculty members, staff members, and students. The team-focus and synergy of DePauw's programs is a key point of distinction. It is our people who are our success.

Thank you for your dedication. We look forward to celebrating your future accomplishments.

Sincerely,



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Vice President for Academic Affairs and Dean of the Faculty



Dennis Trinkle  
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