**Financial Statements** 

June 30, 2017



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## **Independent Auditors' Report**

Board of Trustees Ursinus College

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Ursinus College (the "College"), which comprise the statement of financial position as of June 30, 2017, and the related statements of activities and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

#### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

#### Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditors' judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.



#### Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Ursinus College as of June 30, 2017, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Emphasis of Matter**

As described in Note 2 to the financial statements, the classification of net assets as of July 1, 2016, have been restated to correct an error in the recording of accumulated endowment investment gains and losses. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Baker Tilly Virchaw Krause, LP

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania October 26, 2017

Ursinus College Statement of Financial Position June 30, 2017

#### Assets

Cash and cash equivalents Accounts receivable, net Prepaid expenses Pledges receivable, net Student loans receivable, net Deposits with bond trustees Investments and funds held in trust by others Land, buildings, and equipment, net Collections Other assets	<ul> <li>7,673,491</li> <li>412,705</li> <li>1,173,079</li> <li>4,661,625</li> <li>1,674,151</li> <li>19,457,354</li> <li>168,564,920</li> <li>118,061,267</li> <li>8,086,398</li> <li>843,325</li> </ul>
Total assets	\$ 330,608,315
Liabilities and Net Assets	
Liabilities	
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 4,234,745
Accrued payroll	1,754,988
Deferred revenues	492,217
Refundable deposits	801,212
Retirement obligations	649,157
Annuities payable	5,472,789
Conditional asset retirement obligations	1,865,411
Long-term debt, net	62,840,459
U.S. government grants refundable	1,616,372
Total liabilities	79,727,350
Net Assets	
Unrestricted	111,586,440
Temporarily restricted	48,649,321
Permanently restricted	90,645,204
Total net assets	250,880,965
Total liabilities and net assets	\$ 330,608,315

#### Ursinus College Statement of Activities

Year Ended June 30, 2017

	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Permanently Restricted	Total
Operating Revenue				
Tuition and fees	\$ 74,835,204	\$-	\$-	\$ 74,835,204
Less student aid	(45,027,461)	-		(45,027,461)
Net tuition and fees	29,807,743	-	-	29,807,743
Room and board	18,139,778	-	-	18,139,778
Contributions	2,465,757	1,287,694	-	3,753,451
Government grants and contracts	1,279,700	5,817	-	1,285,517
Endowment funds used for operations	6,271,642	79,685	-	6,351,327
Other investment income	1,847,619	1,123	-	1,848,742
Other auxiliary enterprises	76,197	-	-	76,197
Other income	1,299,623	21,575	-	1,321,198
Net realized and unrealized losses	(150,528)	-	-	(150,528)
Net assets released from restrictions	874,924	(874,924)		
Total operating revenue	61,912,455	520,970		62,433,425
Operating Expenses				
Program services:				
Instruction	21,751,453	-	-	21,751,453
Research	364,188	-	-	364,188
Public service	915,111	-	-	915,111
Student services	9,971,374	-	-	9,971,374
Auxiliary enterprises	10,957,674			10,957,674
Total program services	43,959,800			43,959,800
Supporting services:				
Academic support	6,497,272	-	-	6,497,272
Management and general	13,743,312			13,743,312
Total supporting services	20,240,584			20,240,584
Total operating expenses	64,200,384			64,200,384
Change in net assets from operations	(2,287,929)	520,970		(1,766,959)
Nonoperating Activities				
Contributions	759,190	1,612,494	2,961,240	5,332,924
Other investment income	33,027	127,335	37,446	197,808
Net realized and unrealized gains	1,722,146	11,555,338	78,462	13,355,946
Endowment funds provided to operations	(4,282,140)	-	-	(4,282,140)
Actuarial (loss) on annuities payable	-	(2,118)	(134,213)	(136,331)
Other expenses	(86,349)	-	-	(86,349)
Net assets released from restrictions	4,333,724	(4,333,724)		
Change in net assets from nonoperating activities	2,479,598	8,959,325	2,942,935	14,381,858
Change in net assets	191,669	9,480,295	2,942,935	12,614,899
Net Assets, Beginning, as restated	111,394,771	39,169,026	87,702,269	238,266,066
Net Assets, Ending	\$ 111,586,440	\$ 48,649,321	\$ 90,645,204	\$ 250,880,965

Statement of Cash Flows Year Ended June 30, 2017

Cash Flows from Operating Activities	
Change in net assets	\$ 12,614,899
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to	φ 12,011,000
net cash used in operating activities:	
Depreciation	4,498,925
Accretion of asset retirement obligations	35,709
Net realized and unrealized gains on investments	(13,205,418)
Bond premium amortization	(106,981)
Amortization of bond issuance costs	46,478
Actuarial loss on annuities payable	136,331
Gift in-kind contributions of property and collections	(686,703)
Contributions restricted for long-term investment and annuity contracts	(4,573,734)
Changes in assets and liabilities:	
Accounts receivable	(36,792)
Prepaid expenses	180,366
Pledges receivable	(851,465)
Other assets	(45,335)
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	(1,429,956)
Accrued payroll	(362,533)
Deferred revenues	(130,073)
Refundable deposits	(27,074)
Retirement obligations	(24,807)
U.S. government grants refundable	1,488
Net cash used in operating activities	(3,966,675)
Cash Flows from Investing Activities	
Purchases of property, equipment and collections	(8,973,162)
Purchases of investments	(65,987,587)
Proceeds from sales of investments	72,280,882
Payments on loans receivable	268,183
Loans issued to students	(235,300)
Net cash used in investing activities	(2,646,984)
Cash Flows from Financing Activities	
Contributions received restricted for long-term investment	4,030,309
Contributions received restricted for investments in annuity contracts	86,761
Proceeds from issuance of long-term debt	24,357,518
Increase in deposits with bond trustee	(17,063,853)
Payments on long-term debt	(1,385,000)
Acquisition of bond issuance costs	(242,975)
Payments to annuitants	(446,013)
Net cash provided by financing activities	9,336,747
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	2,723,088
Cash and Cash Equivalents, Beginning	4,950,403
Cash and Cash Equivalents, Ending	\$ 7,673,491
Supplemental Disclosures	
Cash paid for interest	\$ 1,578,025
Construction related psychlos	¢ 644.007
Construction related payables	\$ 614,337

#### 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

#### Nature of Operations

Ursinus College (the "College") is an independent, four-year liberal arts college founded in 1869. The mission of the College is to enable students to become independent, responsible, and thoughtful individuals through a program of liberal education. The College enrolls approximately 1,600 students, approximately 93% of whom live in College residence halls. At the start of the 2016-2017 academic year, the College enrolled 1,547 full-time-equivalent day students from 33 states and 23 countries.

#### **Basis of Presentation**

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (U.S. GAAP). The College's financial statements are presented in accordance with the financial reporting requirements for not-for-profit organizations, which include three basic financial statements and the classification of resources into three separate classes of net assets, as follows:

*Unrestricted* - Net assets that are free of donor-imposed restrictions. Unrestricted net assets may be designated for specific purposes by action of the board of trustees.

*Temporarily Restricted* - Net assets whose use by the College is limited by donorimposed stipulations that either expire by passage of time or that can be fulfilled or removed by actions of the College pursuant to these stipulations.

*Permanently Restricted* - Net assets whose use by the College is limited by donorimposed stipulations that neither expire with the passage of time nor can be fulfilled or otherwise removed by actions of the College. Generally, the donors of these assets permit the College to use all or part of the investment income on related investments for general or specific purposes. Such assets primarily include the College's permanent endowment fund.

#### Contributions and Related Expenses

Contributions are recognized as revenue when received. Conditional promises to give are not recognized until the conditions on which they depend are substantially met. Contributions of assets other than cash are recorded at estimated fair value on the date of donation. Gifts of cash and other noncapital assets are reported as unrestricted operating revenue if the gifts were received with no restrictions or if the specified restrictions have been satisfied within the current fiscal year. When a donor restriction expires, that is, when a stipulated time restriction ends or purpose restriction is met, temporarily restricted net assets are reclassified to unrestricted net assets and reported in the statement of activities as net assets released from restrictions.

Pledges to be received after one year are recorded at fair value using a discount rate commensurate with the collection period of the gift investment. Amortization of the discount is recorded as additional contribution revenue.

Costs incurred for fund-raising activities are expensed as incurred. Total fund-raising costs, included in management and general expenses, were \$3,444,539 for the year ended June 30, 2017.

#### Cash Equivalents

Cash equivalents represent demand deposits and other investments held by the College with original maturity dates not exceeding 90 days.

#### Deferred Revenues

Deferred revenues relate to tuition and matriculation deposits and other payments for the upcoming fall semester that are received prior to fiscal year-end.

#### Student Loans Receivable

As of June 30, 2017, student loans receivable are stated net of an allowance for doubtful loans. Uncollectible Federal Perkins Loans are not written off until approved for write-off or accepted for assignment by the U.S. Department of Education.

#### Allowances for Doubtful Accounts

The allowances for doubtful accounts and pledges receivable are provided based upon management's judgment, including such factors as prior collection history and type of receivable. The College writes off receivables when they become uncollectible, and payments subsequently received on such receivables are credited to the provision for doubtful accounts.

#### Investments

Investments comprise all classes of investments held and invested by the College's professional portfolio managers. Investments with readily determinable market values are reported in the financial statements at fair value based on quoted market prices. The estimated fair value of alternative investments such as hedge funds and private equity interests are based on net asset value as provided by the external investment managers as a practical expedient for fair value.

Gains or losses on investments other than endowment funds are recognized as increases or decreases in unrestricted net assets unless their use is temporarily or permanently restricted by explicit donor stipulations or by law. Gains or losses on endowment investments not otherwise restricted are recognized as increases or decreases in temporarily restricted net assets in accordance with Commonwealth of Pennsylvania law (Note 12).

#### **Deposits with Bond Trustees**

Deposits with bond trustees consist of short-term investments and are restricted for debt service reserves.

#### Land, Buildings, and Equipment

Land, buildings, and equipment are stated at cost at the date of purchase or fair value at date of donation in the case of gifts. Accumulated depreciation is computed on a straightline basis over the estimated useful lives of the assets: 50 years for buildings and certain improvements, 20 years for building improvements, and 5 years for furniture and equipment.

#### Collections

In 1989, the College opened the Philip and Muriel Berman Museum of Art. The collection contained therein is valued at the fair market value at the date of acquisition or date of gift. Fair market value for gifts of art is determined by independent appraisals.

Gains or losses on the deaccession of collection items are classified on the statement of activities as unrestricted or temporarily restricted support depending on donor restrictions, if any, placed on the item at the time of accession. There were no deaccessions of the collections recorded in the year ended June 30, 2017. The College added \$548,004 to the collections for the year ended June 30, 2017.

#### Annuities Payable

Annuities payable represent the net present value of expected future payments to beneficiaries designated under annuity gift agreements, charitable remainder annuity trusts, and charitable remainder unitrusts. Adjustments related to changes in estimates of future payments to beneficiaries and actuarial assumptions are recorded as actuarial gains or losses. Included in annuities payable on the statement of financial position for the year ended June 30, 2017 is \$2,292,126, as reserves for future payments of annuities payable.

#### Conditional Asset Retirement Obligations

A conditional asset retirement obligation is a legal obligation to perform an asset retirement activity in which the timing and (or) method of settlement are conditional on a future event that may or may not be within the control of the entity. The College records a liability to perform the asset retirement activity.

#### **Functional Expenses**

Operation and maintenance expenses, depreciation of plant assets and interest on longterm debt are allocated to program and supporting activities based upon the primary use of the facilities.

#### Nonoperating Activities

The College considers endowment gifts, capital contributions and grants and related expenditures, net realized and unrealized gains and losses on investments, actuarial gains and losses on annuities payable, gains and losses on the disposition of property and equipment, loss on retirement of debt, revenue and expenses related to loan funds and trusts, net assets released from restrictions, and unusual nonrecurring transactions to be nonoperating activities.

#### Tax-Exempt Status

Under the provisions of Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3) and the applicable income tax regulations of Pennsylvania, the College is exempt from taxes on income other than unrelated business income.

The College recognizes or derecognizes a tax position based on a "more likely than not" threshold. This applies to positions taken or expected to be taken in a tax return. The College does not believe its financial statements include any material uncertain tax positions.

#### Management Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of revenue, expenses, assets, and liabilities and disclosure of contingencies at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. The most significant management estimates and assumptions relate to the determination of allowances for doubtful accounts for student accounts, loans and pledges receivable; alternative investment values; useful lives of buildings and equipment; conditional asset retirement obligations; functional expense allocation and annuities payable. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### **Concentration of Credit Risk**

Cash, cash equivalents and investments are exposed to various risks, such as interest rate, market volatility, and credit. To minimize such risks, the College has a diversified investment portfolio managed by several independent investment managers in a variety of asset classes. The College regularly evaluates its investments including performance thereof. The College maintains its cash and cash equivalents in various bank deposit accounts which, at times, may exceed federal insured limits. The College's cash accounts were placed with high credit quality financial institutions. Due to inherent risks and potential volatility in investment valuations, the amounts reported in the accompanying financial statements can vary substantially from year to year. It is reasonably possible that changes in investments will occur in the near term and such changes could materially affect amounts reported in the accompanying financial statements.

#### Fair Value Measurements

Fair value is defined as the exchange price that would be received for an asset or paid to transfer a liability (an exit price) in the principal or most advantageous market for the asset or liability in an orderly transaction between market participants on the measurement date. The College measures its investments and certain split-interest agreements at fair value.

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#### Recently Issued Accounting Standards not yet Adopted

In May 2014, Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") 2014-09, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers*, which amends its guidance related to revenue recognition. ASU 2014-09 requires an entity to recognize revenue as performance obligations are met, in order to reflect the transfer of promised goods or services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration the entity is entitled to receive for those goods or services. The following steps are applied in the updated guidance: (1) identify the contract(s) with a customer; (2) identify the performance obligations in the contract; (3) determine the transaction price; (4) allocate the transaction price to the performance obligations in the contract; and (5) recognize revenue when, or as, the entity satisfies a performance obligation. ASU 2014-09 is effective for the College for its fiscal year beginning July 1, 2018. ASU 2014-09 can be adopted either retrospectively to each prior reporting period presented or as a cumulative-effect adjustment as of the date of adoption. The College is currently determining its implementation approach, and assessing the impact that this guidance may have on our financial position.

In February 2016, FASB issued ASU No. 2016-02, *Leases*. ASU No. 2016-02 was issued to increase transparency and comparability among entities. Lessees will need to recognize nearly all lease transactions (other than leases that meet the definition of a short-term lease) on the statement of financial position as a lease liability and a right-of-use asset (as defined). Lessor accounting under the new guidance will be similar to the current model. ASU No. 2016-02 is effective for the College for its fiscal year beginning July 1, 2019. Early application is permitted. Upon adoption, lessees and lessors will be required to recognize and measure leases at the beginning of the earliest period presented using a modified retrospective approach, which includes a number of optional practical expedients that entities may elect to apply. The College is assessing the impact this standard will have on its financial statements.

In August 2016, FASB issued ASU 2016-14, *Not-for-Profit Entities (Topic 958): Presentation of Financial Statements of Not-for-Profit Entities.* The new guidance improves and simplifies the current net asset classification requirements and information presented in financial statements and notes that is useful in assessing a not-for-profit's liquidity, financial performance and cash flows. ASU 2016-14 is effective for the College for its fiscal year beginning July 1, 2018, with early adoption permitted. ASU 2016-14 is to be applied retroactively with transition provisions. The College is assessing the impact this standard will have on its financial statements.

#### 2. Prior Period Adjustment

As of July 1 2016, the College adjusted its net assets to correct the recording of the accumulated restricted endowment investment gains and losses earned during prior years. Those accumulated restricted endowment investment gains of \$13,039,828 were incorrectly recorded to unrestricted net assets and in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles should be recorded to temporarily restricted net assets and then released to unrestricted in accordance with the College's spending policy. In addition a gift of \$8,096 was incorrectly recorded as an endowment gift and was adjusted to temporarily restricted. The following table presents the corrected net asset balances:

	2016					
	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Permanently Restricted			
Net assets, as previously reported Reclassification	\$ 124,434,599 (13,039,828)	\$ 26,121,102 13,047,924	\$ 87,710,365 (8,096)			
Net assets, as restated	\$ 111,394,771	\$ 39,169,026	\$ 87,702,269			

#### 3. Accounts Receivable

At June 30, 2017 information on accounts receivable is as follows:

Student Employees Research and development grants Other	\$ 87,856 9,283 119,485 261,777
Total accounts receivable	478,401
Allowance for uncollectible receivables	 (65,696)
	\$ 412,705

#### 4. Pledges Receivable

The College records unconditional promises to give as pledges receivable. Pledges that were due beyond one year when initiated were discounted at discount rates that range from 1.24% to 2.46%.

Less than one year One to five years More than five years	\$ 1,719,420 2,927,669 508,213
Total pledges	5,155,302
Allowance for uncollectible pledges	 (493,677)
	\$ 4,661,625

At June 30, 2017, the unamortized discount was \$303,310.

#### 5. Credit Quality of Student Loans Receivable

#### Student Loans Receivable

The College makes uncollateralized loans to students based on financial need. Student loans are funded through federal government loan programs or institutional resources. At June 30, 2017, student loans receivable represented 0.5% of total assets.

At June 30, 2017 student loans consisted of the following:

Federal government programs Institutional programs	\$ 1,905,005 4,222
	1,909,227
Less allowance for doubtful accounts: Beginning of year Increases	 (224,403) (10,673)
End of year	 (235,076)
Student loans receivable, net	\$ 1,674,151

The College participates in various federal revolving loan programs. The availability of funds for loans under these programs is dependent on reimbursements to the pool from repayments on outstanding loans. Funds advanced by the federal government of \$1,616,372 at June 30, 2017 are ultimately refundable to the government and are classified as liabilities in the statement of financial position. Outstanding loans cancelled under the program result in a reduction of the funds available for loan.

At June 30, 2017, the following amounts were past due under student loan programs:

24	ess Than 40 Days ast Due	2	0 Days - 2 Years ast Due	2 - 5 Years Past Due				P	Total Past Due	
\$	190,164	\$	119,819	\$	54,940	\$	208,698	\$	573,621	

Allowances for doubtful accounts are established based on prior collection experience and current economic factors which, in management's judgment, could influence the ability of loan recipients to repay the amounts per the loan terms. Institutional loan balances are written off only when they are deemed to be permanently uncollectible. Amounts due under the Perkins Loan Program are guaranteed by the government and, therefore, no reserves are placed on any past-due balances under the program.

#### 6. Investments and Fair Value Measurements

There are three levels of inputs that may be used to measure fair value:

Level 1 - Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities. See below for Level 1 assets.

Level 2 - Observable inputs other than Level 1 prices such as quoted prices for similar instruments in active markets, quoted prices for identical or similar instruments in markets that are not active, and model-derived valuations whose inputs are observable or whose primary values are observable.

Level 3 - Unobservable inputs that are supported by little or no market activity and that are significant to the fair value of the assets or liabilities. Level 3 assets and liabilities include financial instruments whose value is determined using pricing models, discounted cash flow methodologies, or similar techniques, as well as instruments for which the determination of fair value requires significant management judgment or estimation.

A financial asset's or liability's level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement.

The following valuation techniques were used to measure fair value of assets in the table below on a recurring basis:

*Cash and money market funds* - Cash and money market funds are valued based on stated values. These funds are valued at Level 1.

*U.S. government obligations* - U.S. government securities are generally valued at the closing price reported in the active market in which the individual security is traded and are Level 1.

*Mutual funds* - Mutual funds, including equity, fixed income, and international mutual funds, are valued at the closing price of the traded fund at the statement of financial position date. To the extent these mutual funds are actively traded, they are categorized in Level 1 of the fair value hierarchy.

*Equity securities, common stocks and commodities -* Securities, including common stocks and commodities funds, are traded on a national securities exchange. These securities are stated at the last reported sales price on the day of valuation. To the extent these securities are actively traded, they are categorized in Level 1 of the fair value hierarchy.

*Real estate fund* - This fund invests in publicly traded securities of real estate companies. These investments are considered Level 1 as the underlying equities are publicly traded.

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> Alternative investments - The College has a policy which permits investments that do not have a readily determinable fair value, and as such, has elected to use the net asset value per share (the "NAV") as calculated on the reporting entity's measurement date as the fair value of the investment. The College measures the fair value of an investment that does not have a readily determinable fair value, based on the NAV of the investment as a practical expedient, without further adjustment, unless it is probable that the investment will be sold at a value significantly different than the NAV. If the practical expedient NAV is not as of the College's measurement date, then the NAV is adjusted to reflect any significant events that would materially affect the value of the security and the NAV as of the valuation date. In using the NAV as practical expedient, certain attributes of the investment, that may impact the fair value of the investment, are not considered in measuring fair value. Attributes of those investments include the investment strategies of the investees and may also include, but are not limited to, restrictions on the investor's ability to redeem its investments at the measurement date of NAV as well as any unfunded commitments. In accordance with Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") Subtopic 820-10, investments that are measured at fair value using the net asset value per share (or its equivalent) practical expedient have not been classified in the fair value hierarchy. The fair value amounts presented in the table are intended to permit reconciliation of the fair value hierarchy to the investments, at fair value line presented in the statement of financial position.

> *Other* - These include an absolute return fund, life insurance policies that support donor charitable gift annuities held by the College and other investments held by the College.

*Funds held in trust by others* - The College's beneficial interest in trusts held by others is recorded at fair value based on the fair value of the trust's holdings as reported by the trustee or the NAV of the trust or entity.

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For assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis, the fair value by level within the fair value hierarchy used at June 30, 2017 are as follows:

	Fair Value Investment at June 30, 2017						Fair Value
		Level 1		Level 2	Level 3		 2017
Investments:							
Cash and money market funds	\$	28,721,653	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 28,721,653
U.S. government obligations		6,695,699		1,000		-	6,696,699
Fixed-income mutual funds		20,463,794		-		-	20,463,794
Fixed-income int'l mutual funds		100,599		-		-	100,599
Common stocks		15,255		-		-	15,255
Equity mutual funds		34,032,624		-		-	34,032,624
International equity mutual funds		47,809,074		-		-	47,809,074
Commodities fund		4,804,749		-		-	4,804,749
Real estate fund		1,689,658		-		-	1,689,658
Other investments		106,746		522,092		-	628,838
Funds held in trust by others <sup>(1)</sup>		-		-		11,323,592	 11,323,592
Total assets in the fair value							
hierarchy		144,439,851		523,092		11,323,592	 156,286,535
Hedge fund investments measured at NAV Private equity fund investments		-		-		-	6,026,650
measured at NAV Other investments measured at		-		-		-	1,688,486
NAV		-		-		-	 4,563,249
Investments measured at NAV		-		-		-	 12,278,385
Total assets	\$ `	144,439,851	\$	523,092	\$	11,323,592	\$ 168,564,920

<sup>(1)</sup> Included in funds held in trust by others (FHITBO) is a 50% share of a managed trust fund (equities and REITs), an irrevocable, charitable trust (mutual funds) and a total return trust (mutual funds and partnerships).

All investments in the alternative investment category are valued at estimated fair value using NAV per share as a practical expedient. A description of these investments, their liquidity and redemption features follows.

#### **Total Return Fund**

This fund's objective is to maximize risk-adjusted returns and achieve low correlation to the equity markets by investing in a diversified group of pooled investment vehicles both within and outside the United States. The College may redeem on a quarterly basis with 60 days written notice.

#### **Private Equity**

The College has a total capital commitment of \$1,870,000 to these funds, of which \$210,000 is currently unfunded. The objective of the funds is to realize a long-term total return by investing in a diversified group of pooled investment vehicles. The funds may invest in any of the following strategies: venture, buyout, distressed, real estate, fund of funds and secondaries. These funds are not redeemable, and capital will be returned throughout the life of the funds as investments provide a cash flow stream or are liquidated. The remaining term of these funds is 11 years.

#### Private Equity - Distressed Debt Funds

The College has a total capital commitment of \$4,750,000 to these funds, of which \$755,390 is currently unfunded. The funds invest directly and indirectly in the securities of entities which are experiencing financial difficulties. These funds are not redeemable, and capital will be returned to investors through liquidation upon termination of the funds. Remaining lives of the funds are estimated at between 4 and 10 years.

#### **Special Opportunities**

The College has a total capital commitment of \$5,000,000 to these funds, of which \$780,224 is currently unfunded. The funds are permitted to make any and all types of investment that may present an attractive investment opportunity at that time. The overall investment horizon for each fund is about 5 to 7 years. Similar to private equity, there are no redemption rights and the investments should be considered illiquid.

The schedule below summarizes the activity for the year ended June 30, 2017 for investments which have been classified as Level 3 assets:

Beginning balance	\$ 11,626,864
Realized and unrealized gains	1,261,426
Distributions	(1,462,816)
Transfers to Level 1 <sup>(1)</sup>	 (101,882)
Ending balance	\$ 11,323,592

<sup>(1)</sup> The investments transferred out of Level 3 to Level 1 represent securities with quoted prices in active markets which were property classified as Level 1 in the current year.

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Return on the College's cash and investments for the year ended June 30, 2017:

Interest and dividends Investment fees	\$ 4,602,976 (487,239)
Realized gains	2,021,384
Unrealized gains	 11,184,034
	\$ 17,321,155

The total investment return for the College is shown in the statement of activities as follows:

Operating activities:	
Endowment funds used for operations	\$ 6,351,327
Other investment income	1,848,742
Net realized and unrealized (losses)	(150,528)
Nonoperating activities:	
Endowment funds provided to operations	(4,282,140)
Other investment income	197,808
Net realized and unrealized gains	 13,355,946
	\$ 17,321,155

#### 7. Land, Buildings, and Equipment

The components of land, buildings, and equipment at June 30, 2017 were as follows:

Nondepreciable assets, primarily land Buildings and improvements Furniture and equipment Construction in progress	\$ 792,618 175,631,183 10,282,880 8,980,856
	195,687,537
Less accumulated depreciation	(77,626,270)
	\$ 118,061,267

The College has outstanding commitments on construction contracts of approximately \$17,100,000 as of June 30, 2017.

Depreciation expense was \$4,498,925 for the year ended June 30, 2017.

### 8. Long-Term Debt

Total long-term debt consisted of the following at June 30, 2017:

PHEFA College Revenue Bonds - Series of 2012 PHEFA College Revenue Bonds - Series of 2013 PHEFA College Revenue Bonds - Series of 2015 MCHEHA College Revenue Bonds - Series of 2016	\$ 15,355,000 11,160,000 11,620,000 23,000,000
	61,135,000
Plus unamortized bond premium Less bond issuance costs	2,634,940 (929,481)
	\$ 62,840,459

The College's principal obligations for all long-term debt are due as follows:

Years ending June 30:	
2018	\$ 1,430,000
2019	1,475,000
2020	1,520,000
2021	1,585,000
2022	1,650,000
Thereafter	53,475,000
Total	\$ 61,135,000

### PHEFA College Revenue Bonds, Series of 2012 (Ursinus College)

In May 2012, the College issued \$18,865,000 of revenue bonds as an advanced refunding of a portion of the College's Pennsylvania Higher Educational Facilities Authority ("PHEFA") Series 2003 revenue bonds. These serial bonds began repayment on January 1, 2013, with the final payment due January 1, 2033. Interest rates of these fixed rate revenue bonds range from 2.00% to 5.00% during the term of the bonds. In accordance with the bond issue, the College must follow the same financial covenants as stipulated with the College's 2003 Series bonds, which they are in compliance with for the year ended June 30, 2017.

### PHEFA College Revenue Bonds, Series of 2013 (Ursinus College)

In April 2013, the College issued \$12,880,000 of revenue bonds as a current refunding of the remaining portion of the College's PHEFA Series 2003 revenue bonds. These serial bonds began repayment on January 1, 2014, with the final payment due January 1, 2033. Interest rates of these fixed rate revenue bonds range from 3.00% to 5.00% during the term of the bonds. In accordance with the bond issue, the College must follow the same financial covenants as stipulated with the College's 2003 Series bonds, which they are in compliance with for the year ended June 30, 2017.

#### PHEFA College Revenue Bonds, Series of 2015 (Ursinus College)

In April 2015, the College issued \$12,160,000 of revenue bonds as a current refunding of the remaining portion of the College's PHEFA Series 2006 revenue bonds. These serial bonds began repayment on January 1, 2016, with the final payment due January 1, 2036. Interest rates of these fixed rate revenue bonds range from 2.00% to 4.00% during the term of the bonds. In accordance with the bond issue, the College must follow the same financial covenants as stipulated with the College's 2006 Series bonds, which they are in compliance with for the year ended June 30, 2017.

#### MCHEHA Revenue Bonds, Series of 2016 (Ursinus College Project)

In November 2016, the College issued \$23,000,000 of Montgomery County Higher Education and Health Authority ("MCHEHA") revenue bonds as a means of financing the construction of two major buildings on campus. These serial bonds will begin principal repayment on November 1, 2038, with the final payment due November 1, 2046. Interest rates of these fixed rate revenue bonds range from 5.00% to 5.50% during the term of the bonds. In accordance with the bond issue, the College must follow the same financial covenants as stipulated with the College's existing PHEFA Series 2015 bonds, which they are in compliance with for the year ended June 30, 2017.

#### Interest

Interest expense in 2017 was \$1,493,669. Additionally, the College has capitalized interest on borrowings during the construction period of two major capital projects. Capitalized interest is added to the cost of the underlying assets being constructed, and is amortized over the useful lives of the assets. For the year ended June 30, 2017, the College capitalized interest costs of \$719,298.

#### Collateral

The bond agreements contain certain restrictive covenants, which, among other restrictions require the pledge of certain revenues as collateral for repayment and the maintenance of a minimum level of aggregate expendable funds and a maximum level of debt service. In addition, the College is required to maintain deposits with an outside trustee for the purpose of meeting scheduled debt service requirements of the respective outstanding bonds until they become due. All outstanding bond issues are collateralized by a general interest in the College's revenue.

#### 9. Net Assets

Included in unrestricted net assets is \$15,957,715 of board-designated endowment funds at June 30, 2017.

The temporarily and permanently restricted net asset classes consisted of the following at June 30, 2017:

Temporarily restricted net assets: Unexpended gifts for instruction, scholarships and	
capital expenditures	\$ 12,226,537
Pledges	3,862,662
Annuity and life income funds	3,693,203
Endowment - accumulated realized and unrealized	
investment gains unexpended for instruction,	
scholarships and capital expenditures (Note 12)	 28,866,919
	\$ 48,649,321
Permanently restricted net assets:	
Annuity and life income funds	\$ 2,356,919
Student loans	1,592,920
Endowment principal:	
General endowment	37,518,793
Scholarship and prizes	32,223,391
Endowed chairs	15,659,177
Pledges	798,964
Endowment - accumulated realized and unrealized	
investment gains	 495,040
	\$ 90,645,204

#### 10. Net Assets Released from Restrictions and Endowment Spending Rule

At June 30, 2017 the composition of net assets released from restrictions on the statement of activities was as follows:

Net assets released from restrictions:	
Donor restrictions met	\$ 926,508
Endowment gains under spending rule (see Note 12)	 4,282,140
	\$ 5,208,648

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The total used from endowment is composed of endowment investment interest and dividends, less fees, and accumulated gains to the extent necessary to meet the approved spending rate. The composition of the total used is as follows:

Endowment funds (including funds functioning) used for operations:	
Endowment interest and dividends	\$ 2,069,187
Accumulated realized and unrealized investment	
gains	 4,282,140
Total expended under spending rate	\$ 6,351,327

#### 11. Postretirement Benefit Plans

#### Emeriti Program

In July 2005, the College revised its postretirement healthcare program for other than existing retirees receiving benefits under the plan. The College joined Emeriti Retirement Health Solution, a consortium of colleges and universities organized to address retiree healthcare needs. The College deposits a set amount for each employee who is 40 years of age or older into a Voluntary Employee Benefits Associations account in the employee's name. Employees will have access to these funds to use for their postretirement healthcare needs. Because the College is prefunding retiree healthcare costs in a defined contribution account, it will have no future obligation for these costs when active employees retire. Current retirees' healthcare benefits will continue to be funded through the plan in place prior to June 30, 2005. Total College contributions to the Emeriti plan were \$139,036 for the year ended June 30, 2017.

#### **Postretirement Benefits Other Than Pensions**

The cost of postretirement benefits other than pensions included interest costs totaling \$21,236 for the year ended June 30, 2017.

The following schedules show the status of the postretirement medical and life insurance benefits plan for existing retirees, the components of the cost of postretirement benefits other than pensions, and assumptions at June 30, 2017:

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Reconciliation of the funded status is as follows:

	2017
Accumulated postretirement benefit obligation (APBO): Retirees Active employees fully eligible Active employees not yet fully eligible	\$ 649,157 -
Total	649,157
Fair value of plan assets	 
APBO in excess of plan assets	649,157
Unrecognized net gain	 -
	\$ 649,157

The assumed healthcare cost trend rate for fiscal year 2017 is 5.9%, grading down to an ultimate level of 3.9%. Increasing the healthcare trend rate by 1% each year would increase the accumulated postretirement benefit obligation by \$36,970 as of June 30, 2017, and the aggregate of the service cost and interest cost components of net periodic postretirement benefit cost for the year by \$1,539. Decreasing the healthcare trend rate by 1% each year would decrease the accumulated postretirement benefit obligation by \$33,832 as of June 30, 2017, and the aggregate of the service cost and interest cost components of net periodic postretirement benefit cost for the year by \$1,539. The discount rate used in determining the accumulated postretirement benefit obligation was 3.00% at June 30, 2017.

The benefits paid under this plan were \$80,102 for the year ended June 30, 2017.

At June 30, 2017, the College's expected future benefit payments for future service are as follows:

Years ending June 30:

2018		\$ 74,211
2019		71,580
2020		68,461
2021		64,904
2022		60,980
2023-2	027	239,376

#### Defined Contribution Plan

The College also has a defined contribution retirement plan for eligible faculty, administration and staff employees. The plan is fully funded, and participant interests are fully vested. Employees are required to contribute at least 4% of their annual base salary. The College's contributions, based on 7% of salaries, were \$1,681,170.

#### 12. Endowments

The College's endowment consists of approximately 1,020 individual funds including annuity funds established for a variety of purposes. The endowment includes both donor-restricted endowment funds and funds designated by the board of trustees to function as endowments. Net assets associated with endowment funds, including funds designated by the board of trustees to function as endowments, are classified and reported based on the existence or absence of donor-imposed restrictions.

#### Interpretation of Relevant Law

Governing law resides in 15 Pa. C.S. 5548, Investment of Trust Funds. The College classifies as permanently restricted net assets (a) the original value of gifts donated to the permanent endowment; (b) the original value of subsequent gifts to the permanent endowment; and (c) accumulations to the permanent endowment made in accordance with the direction of the applicable donor gift instrument at the time the accumulation is added to the fund. The remaining portion of the donor-restricted endowment fund that is not classified in permanently restricted net assets is classified as temporarily restricted net assets until those amounts are appropriated for expenditure by the College in a manner consistent with the standard of prudence prescribed by relevant law. Pennsylvania law permits the board of trustees to make an election to annually appropriate for expenditure a selected percentage between 2% and 7% of the fair value of the assets related to donor-restricted endowment funds averaged over a period of three or more preceding years, provided the board has determined that such percentage is consistent with the long-term preservation of the real value of such assets.

#### **Return Objectives and Risk Parameters**

The College has adopted investment and spending policies for endowment assets that attempt to provide a predictable stream of funding to programs supported by its endowment while seeking to maintain the purchasing power of the endowment assets. Endowment assets include those assets of donor-restricted funds that the organization must hold in perpetuity or for a donor-specified period, as well as board-designated funds. Under this policy, as approved by the board of trustees, the endowment assets are invested in a manner that is intended to achieve a long-term total return on the endowment assets that exceeds spending rate of the endowment and inflation, so as to preserve for perpetuity the real, inflation adjusted, purchasing power of the assets. The College expects its endowment funds, over time, to provide an average rate of return of approximately 5% annually. Actual returns in any given year may vary from that amount.

### **Spending Policy**

In accordance with state law, net realized and unrealized gains on permanently restricted investments are included as temporarily restricted net assets, even absent donor restrictions on the use of gains. Commonwealth of Pennsylvania law permits the College to adopt a spending policy for endowment earnings, subject to certain limitations. The College follows the total return concept of endowment investment and spending. Under this concept, a prudent amount of appreciation earned on the investments may be spent in the event that the interest and dividends earned are insufficient to meet that period's spending rate. The College's spending rate is annually approved by the board of trustees, and for the years ended June 30, 2017, the rate was 5.75% of the 20 quarter moving average market value of the pooled endowment.

#### **Funds with Deficiencies**

From time to time, the fair value of assets associated with individual donor-restricted endowment funds may fall below the original gift amount maintained as permanently restricted net assets. Deficiencies of this nature were \$26,363 as of June 30, 2017, respectively. Such deficiencies are recorded as unrestricted net assets from board-designated endowment funds. These deficiencies resulted from unfavorable market fluctuations that occurred shortly after the investment of new permanently restricted contributions.

Net asset classification by type of endowment as of June 30, 2017:

	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Permanently Restricted	Total
Donor-restricted endowment funds Board-designated endowment funds	\$- 15,957,715	\$ 32,560,122 	\$ 88,253,320 	\$ 120,813,442 15,957,715
	\$ 15,957,715	\$ 32,560,122	\$ 88,253,320	\$ 136,771,157

Changes in endowment net assets for the year ended June 30, 2017:

	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Permanently Restricted	Total
Endowment net assets, beginning of year	\$ 14,482,681	\$ 25,941,360	\$ 86,216,094	\$ 126,640,135
Investment return: Investment income Net (depreciation) appreciation (realized and unrealized gains	1,989,502	127,335	4,743	2,121,580
and losses)	1,076,884	11,952,990	(52,737)	12,977,137
Total investment return	3,066,386	12,080,325	(47,994)	15,098,717
Gift of new annuity Board designations Contributions Actuarial (loss) gain on annuity	- 500 -	20,059	965,181	20,059 500 965,181
liabilities Appropriation of endowment assets for expenditure Net assets released from	- (1,989,502)	(2,119) (4,282,140)	(134,214) -	(136,333) (6,271,642)
restrictions Other changes	- 397,650	(28,068) (1,169,295)	- 1,254,253	(28,068) 482,608
Endowment net assets, end of year	<u>\$ 15,957,715</u>	\$ 32,560,122	<u>\$ 88,253,320</u>	<u>\$ 136,771,157</u>

#### 13. Commitments and Contingencies

The College is party to certain claims and litigation arising in the ordinary course of business. In the opinion of management, the resolution of such claims and litigation will not materially affect the College's financial position.

#### 14. Concentrations of Credit Risk and Title IV Requirements

During the year ended June 30, 2017, the College maintained cash balances at high credit quality financial institutions. Accounts at the institutions are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. Depository balances at year end exceed the insured limits.

Amounts received and expended by the College under various federal and state programs are subject to audit by governmental entities. In the opinion of management, audit adjustments, if any, will not have a significant effect on the financial position of the College.

The College participates in Government Student Financial Assistance Programs ("Title IV") administered by the U.S. Department of Education ("ED") for the payment of student tuition. Portions of the revenue and collection of accounts receivable as of June 30, 2017 are dependent upon the College's continued participation in the Title IV programs.

Institutions participating in Title IV programs are also required by ED to demonstrate financial responsibility. ED determines an institution's financial responsibility through the calculation of a composite score based upon certain financial ratios as defined in regulations. Institutions receiving a composite score of 1.5 or greater are considered fully financially responsible. Institutions receiving a composite score between 1.0 and 1.5 are subject to additional monitoring and institutions receiving a score below 1.0 are required to submit financial guarantees in order to continue participation in the Title IV programs. As of June 30, 2017, and for the year then ended, the College's composite score exceeded 1.5.

#### **15. Subsequent Events**

The College evaluated its June 30, 2017 financial statements for subsequent events through October 26, 2017. The College is not aware of any subsequent events that would require recognition or disclosure in the financial statements.