

Dear MBU parents and guardians,

I have so enjoyed meeting the Class of 2027 these past few weeks. I hope your student is enjoying classes; is beginning to make connections with the university's support team of peers, staff, and faculty members; and is beginning to build a meaningful MBU experience.

I'm reaching out today to explain some work we are doing to modernize our campus offerings and to prepare you and your student for a communication coming later this week. Recently, Mary Baldwin senior Charlotte Bradley emailed saying she thought we needed to do a better job integrating the liberal arts with technology and skills that prepare students for post-graduation success in the workforce.

Over the last year, prior to your student's and my arrival at MBU, the campus has been working toward Charlotte's point by thinking about ways to evolve academic programs, better meet student needs, and adapt to the changing world of work. Later this week, all students, faculty, staff, alumni, and parents will hear from me about how MBU will:

- Modernize our academic program offerings by adding new majors as well as discontinuing and reconceptualizing some majors,
- Build new engaged learning experiences outside the classroom,
- Enhance academic advising, and
- Increase career coaching through the newly launched [McCree Center for Life Success](#).

Before this communication goes out, I want you to know that we will work hard to ensure your student is prepared long into the future and that they will be able to complete their studies in their chosen major and graduate on time.

Above all, we remain **ALL IN** for student success. Please feel free to reach out to me at president@marybadwin.edu to let me know what's working for you and your student.

We will do our very best to support them through their first semester at college, and moving forward. Thank you for sharing your family with us.

All in for Mary Baldwin,

Dr. Jeff Stein
President