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What makes DePaul feel like home?

No matter where in the world DePaul alumni live, they'll always have a home at DePaul. Here are some of the responses alumni gave to the question "What makes DePaul feel like home?"

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Gina Caputo DeVeno (EDU '81)

"The sense of community. It felt like a small school in a large university in a big city. A feeling of belonging. My wonderful experiences shaped me as a person. Blessed to have those memories."

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Stephanie Zawisza (BUS '11)

"I was at DePaul when I learned who I was. Thanks to the amazingly helpful staff, greatly diverse student body, many opportunities and an overall life learning experience, DePaul really shaped me. I discovered my true interests, developed passions and found my path. Something that shapes you so roundly feels like home. It feels like an old friend and safety net. It is home."

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Jessica Ruiz (CSH '07)

"DePaul is home because a feeling of belonging overcomes me while on campus. I can attend mass at St. Vincent de Paul and feel a sense of community and peace. I can walk into The Ray and be greeted by friendly students. I can walk into the library and access resources. To me, and my three siblings who graduated from this university, DePaul is HOME."

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Tim Czuba (LAS '89)

"That's easy. It's where I learned to critically think. It's where I grew to be socially conscientious. Returning to DePaul is like returning to your mentor."

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Torrence Austin (CDM '06)

"The imparted wisdom, values and education that helped shaped me as both a personal and professional individual to live out for the remainder of my daily life. For that, DePaul will always be home to me."

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Yasmina Blackburn (SNL '01)

"I so enjoyed my adult learning experience with SNL. I was both happy and sad when I graduated. I missed the amazing teachers and faculty who helped me to succeed. When I'm downtown, I love to stop in the Loop campus and browse the spirit wear. Just brings warm feelings. I hope my kids go to DePaul."

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Chelsia Lai (LAS '15)

"I will always consider DePaul home because it's where I found friends that became my second family and truly created a home away from home. :)"

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