Pope Francis in the United States
University Communications Overview
Media Coverage Highlights

**TODAY Show/ TODAY Show Radio on SiriusXM**
The university communications team arranged for a group of students to travel to the *TODAY Show* plaza to represent Saint Peter’s University and to welcome Pope Francis to New York City. The group was featured on the national broadcast at 8:00 a.m. on Thursday, September 24. The group was also interviewed by the host of *TODAY Show Radio* on SiriusXM.

**NJTV News with Mary Alice Williams**
The university communications team arranged an interview for Rev. Rocco Danzi, S.J., director of campus ministry, on *NJTV News with Mary Alice Williams* on Friday, September 25. During the live broadcast Fr. Danzi discussed the impact of Pope Francis' visit.
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**The Record**
The university communications team arranged an interview for Rev. Mark DeStephano, S.J., professor of modern and classical languages, with a reporter from *The Record* on Pope Francis' visit. The interview resulted in an article, which prominently featured Fr. DeStephano and Saint Peter's. The article was also published on [NorthJersey.com](http://NorthJersey.com).

**The Star-Ledger**
The university communications team arranged an interview with Rev. Mark DeStephano, S.J., professor of modern and classical languages at Saint Peter’s University, with Kelly Heyboer of *The Star-Ledger*. The interview resulted in an article on Pope Francis and the Catholic Church, which prominently featured Fr. DeStephano. The article also published on [NJ.com](http://NJ.com) and in *The Oregonian*.

**InsideHigherEd.com**
AJCU’s #JesuitEducated campaign was the focus of an article on InsideHigherEd.com on August 20. The article titled, “Collaborating to Leverage a Historic Event,” was written by Deanna Howes of AJCU and Cristal Steuer of Holy Cross and highlighted Saint Peter’s role in the campaign.
Media Coverage Highlights

**USA TODAY**
*USA Today* published an article on September 16 on Pope Francis' visit and how the 28 Jesuit colleges and universities in the country are persevering. Saint Peter's University is mentioned in the article, which was subsequently published in more than 20 Gannett newspapers.

**The Star-Ledger**
The university communications team arranged an interview with Jason Downer, S.J., campus minister, with a reporter from *The Star-Ledger* to discuss his trip with 25 students to New York City to see Pope Francis on his way to St. Patrick's Cathedral. The article was featured as the lead article on [NJ.com](http://nj.com) and was also published in *The Star-Ledger* as well as the *Times-Picayune of New Orleans*, LehighValleyLive.com, AL.com, the *Staten Island Advance*, *The Republican*, *The Oregonian* and the *Plain Dealer*, Ohio's largest newspaper.

**AJCU Higher Ed Newsletter**
Saint Peter's University was prominently featured in *AJCU’s Higher Ed Newsletter* on September 25. The issue highlighted the group of Saint Peter’s students who were featured on NBC’s *TODAY Show*. The issue also featured the #JesuitEducated post written by Eugene J. Cornacchia, Ph.D., president of Saint Peter’s University.
Advertising

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• The Jersey Journal
• The Star-Ledger
• Trenton Times
• Staten Island Advance
• South Jersey Times
• Easton Express
• Hunterdon Democrat
• The Record
• Social Media
• NJ.com
• 30th Street Train Station in Philadelphia
• Roll Call
• Roll Call Digital Advertising
• The New York Times Digital Advertising
By the Numbers

Nearly five million people watch the TODAY Show every morning. That is 10 million eyes on Saint Peter’s University!

Circulation Examples

USA Today: 2,522,027
The Star-Ledger: 296,466
The Record: 138,850
The Jersey Journal: 13,093
Trenton Times: 31,971
The Plain Dealer: 283,954
Staten Island Advance: 30,632
South Jersey Times: 24,125
The Times-Picayune: 140,163
The Oregonian: 142,882
Hunterdon County Democrat: 19,878
Easton Express: 31,878
The Republican: 58,564

At least 340,000 people saw the #JesuitEducated 30th Street Train Station banner while embarking and disembarking at the station.
Social Media Highlights

@TODAYSHOW
The Pope is on the plaza! (sort of) #PopeinUS

AJCU
This is AMAZING!
We LOVE seeing #JesuitEducated students from @saintpetersuniv in NYC on @TODAYshow!

Saint Peter’s Student
Fellow Peacocks standby the TODAY Show as Saint Peter’s University welcomes Pope Francis...

Saint Peter’s Student
Probably one of the most incredible moments of my time at Saint Peter’s...

Saint Peter’s Alumna
So proud of our Jesuit Pope and my Jesuit College...

Catholic Charities
Eugene Cornacchia, Pres @saintpetersuniv shares his #WelcomeThePope message...
#JesuitEducated Campaign

In honor of Pope Francis’ visit, Saint Peter’s partnered with the Association of Jesuit Colleges and Universities (AJCU) and the other 27 Jesuit colleges and universities in the United States to participate in and promote a campaign titled #JesuitEducated. The university communications team worked with alumni, faculty, administration, staff and students to share regular reflections on Jesuit education and asked fans to share reflections on their personal social media pages. AJCU curated a website dedicated to the campaign, which featured #JesuitEducated reflections and social media posts from the various Jesuit institutions.

Click each photo below to read the #JesuitEducated reflections