

Dear Friends of the Adler Graduate School:

We invite you to participate in the celebration of our 50th Anniversary on September 28th, 2019. The Adler Graduate School (AGS) continues to grow and mature in our 50th year, but we need your support to reach our potential, continue our great work, and make the world a better place.

FROM OUR PAST WE INFORM THE FUTURE

The kernels of Adlerian teaching in Minnesota began in 1966 when Bill and Miriam Pew invited Rudolf Dreikurs to present a Twin Cities workshop. Rudolph Dreikurs was leading the movement to inform, teach and apply Adlerian Individual Psychology globally, what I call "taking Adler to the streets". From this event and his influence, the Minnesota Chapter of the American Adlerian Society was formed in 1967 and in 1969 the Adler Institute emerged, offering classes and training in Adlerian Family Counseling and Individual Psychology for parents, children and teachers. Then, in 1969, 501(c)(3) nonprofit status was awarded by IRS.

The Philosophy around the movement of the Family Counseling Centers and the Adler Institute was based on the premise in Adlerian Individual Psychology of equality, and that all people are goal oriented, and fulfill their human potential through cooperative social relationships, contributing to the group's well-being or social interest. These same original values and premises have driven the current Adler graduate school as we grew from the Family Counseling Centers and Institute to offering graduate counseling courses in 1972, and, finally, achieving graduate school status when we were awarded degree granting authority by the Minnesota Office of Higher Education in 1989, and NCA Accreditation in 1991.

BUILDING THE FUTURE TOGETHER CREATING SOCIAL INTEREST

From your participation as faculty and leaders through our 50-year history, you remain a very important member of the Adlerian family and a contributor to the Adlerian movement. Our alumni are changing the face of our community, our students are gifted and enthusiastic, and our staff and faculty are outstanding in every way --taking Adlerian values to the street. As we as a community grow through our mutual contributions, and as we work together to make the world a better place, we invite you to attend our 50th Anniversary celebration on September 28th and continue to participate actively in the life of the School. In fact, we will benefit from your help. Together, we will create movement to a healthier world and fulfill our mission of preparing mental health and human services professional with a strong Adlerian foundation.

There are a lot of great things happening at Adler Graduate School as we enter our 50th year. Our educational programs have grown, we have improved our curriculum, and we offer institute classes to our community based on an Adlerian foundation. We are dedicated to preparing an increasingly diverse student body for service to an increasingly diverse community. Please consider contributing to the Adler Graduate School and contact us if you would like to become more involved with the College. If you would like to make a financial contribution, checks can be made out to the Adler Graduate School and sent to Adler Graduate School Business Office, 10225 Yellow Circle Drive, Minnetonka MN 55343. You may also visit our website and select "donate" at <https://alfredadler.edu/donate> to donate online or look at other options to contribute. Finally, we encourage you to consider a legacy gift, estate planning or endowment with Adler Graduate School in mind. Feel free to contact me to discuss this option. The Adler Graduate School is a 501(c)(3) organization and your donation is tax deductible to the fullest extent allowed by law.

Thank you very much for being part of the Adlerian movement for our first 50 years, and the future.

Sincerely,



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