



Congratulations

Trinity Washington University

125th Anniversary

August 20, 2022

As Mayor of Washington, DC, it is my pleasure to extend congratulations to Trinity Washington University on the very happy occasion of your 125th anniversary!

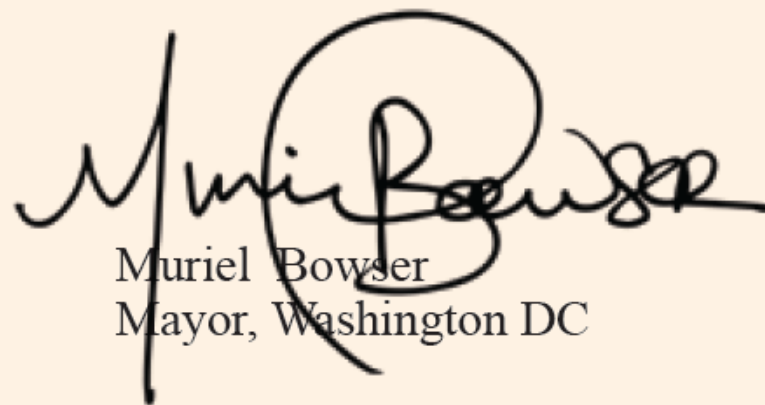


In 1897, the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur came together in pursuit of a shared vision: to create an institution that would offer higher education to young women in our nation's capital. Local government as we know it today did not yet exist in Washington, DC in 1897, and as such the United States Congress chartered the establishment of Trinity College, which was later renamed Trinity Washington University in 2004. Over the course of its quasiquicentennial, Trinity has been a consistent source of higher education for all people in pursuit of knowledge, with a special commitment to educating women as its founders intended.

The education of women, the driving force behind Trinity's founding, has led to an even more diverse student body and alumnus. Today, it welcomes and enrolls more graduates of the District of Columbia Public Schools than any other private university here and has a student body comprised of 55 percent Black and 30 percent Hispanic students. And, keeping up with the times, the university in 2020 established *Trinity DARE: Driving Actions for Racial Equity*, which aims to increase career opportunities for its students of color.



I applaud and commend your work to help shape the next generation of leaders and scholars, who will undoubtedly change our city, the country, and the world for the better. To President Patricia A. McGuire, Board of Trustees Chair Amy Freeman, and to the students, faculty, administrators, and alumnus, I am deeply grateful to all, then and now, who worked to make Trinity the highly esteemed, community-oriented center for higher learning we have known for the past 125 years. Congratulations to Trinity Washington University on this important milestone — I look forward to celebrating many more!



Muriel Bowser
Mayor, Washington DC