DCAD FACTS AND FIGURES

- The Delaware College of Art and Design (DCAD) was founded as the result of an innovative partnership between Pratt Institute in New York and the Corcoran College of Art + Design in Washington, D.C. In 1996, the two prestigious schools of art and design came in response to an invitation by the Wilmington community. The school opened in 1997.

- DCAD is Delaware’s only professional art and design school.

- The College offers a two-year Associate of Fine Arts Degree Program with six majors: animation, fine arts, graphic design, illustration, interior design and photography.

- After two years at DCAD, students graduate with an Associate of Fine Arts degree and many go on to four-year programs, including at Pratt and the Corcoran, to complete a BFA.

- Approximately 80% of DCAD’s students continue their education. In addition to Pratt and the Corcoran, DCAD students have successfully transferred to Rhode Island School of Design, Chicago Institute of Art, California Institute of the Arts, Maryland Institute College of Art, University of the Arts, School of Visual Arts, Ringling College of Art, San Francisco Art Institute and Moore College of Art, to name a few.

- DCAD’s annual tuition for 2010-2011 is $17,700, plus fees, and costs dramatically less than most other private art and design schools.

- Since opening in 1997, DCAD has returned more than $5 million in the form of need and merit-based scholarships to more than 1,000 students. In FY2011, DCAD will return more than $800,000, or 19% of its tuition revenue, in the form of need and merit-based aid; a talented, needy student can receive more than $10,500 in institutional aid, or a tuition discount of 64%.

- DCAD now boasts more than 500 alumni. In June 2009, the first Alumni Exhibition was held and served as a reunion opportunity for former students. It was extra special for DCAD’s first graduating class as it marked 10 years since their graduation.

- DCAD also offers a Continuing Education Program with classes in the areas of Computer Graphics, Fine Arts, Interior Design, Jewelry Design, Photography and Young Artists (for high school students). Within the CE Program, students may also earn certificates in Art & Design, Digital Design, Graphic Design, Interior Design, Photography or Web Design.

- For young artists, DCAD offers the Pre-College Art Studio Program, designed to prepare rising junior and senior high school students for college admission in the fields of art and design. Students spend a week working in DCAD’s state-of-the-art labs and studios as well as experience college living in DCAD’s on campus housing.

- Across the street from DCAD’s landmark Art Deco building is The Saville Residence Hall, which is the college’s main student housing. The Saville features unique units, each offering a kitchen area, washer and dryer and bathroom. Students may live in a double, triple or quad. Each student is provided with a bed, drawing table and stool.

- The newest addition to DCAD is the Tatiana Copeland Student Center, located on the first floor of The Saville. It provides wireless Internet access, lounge areas, game tables, a large screen TV and a large meeting space for student gatherings.

- DCAD boasts more than 200 students in the AFA Degree Program and up to 250 students in the Continuing Education Program. DCAD’s first graduating class included 50 students.

- The Toni & Stuart B. Young Gallery, located on the first floor of DCAD, offers exciting exhibits on a rotating basis. The exhibits are by students, faculty, alumni and professional artists, offered to the public for free. Call 302.622.8000 for gallery hours.