

In Memoriam: Joseph P. Scottino, Ph.D.

Dr. Joseph P. Scottino had served in the SCSS and on our National Advisory Board from its inception. A professor of political science, specializing in constitutional law and Catholic social thought, he had taught at Gannon University in Erie, Pennsylvania, since 1955. In addition he had served as Gannon University's third president from 1977-87. During his term as president he led the institution in its move from a college to a university. He had been provost from 1972-77, and Dean of Gannon's Graduate School from 1964-72.

On the occasion of Scottino's retirement from the presidency and return to teaching in 1987, the University named a building in his honor, Scottino Hall, which houses the Department of Theatre and Communication Arts, the Schuster Theatre, and the Erie Chamber Orchestra. He was named a Knight of St. Gregory in recognition of his service as a Catholic scholar, and served as executive secretary of the Fellowship of Catholic Scholars, receiving its Cardinal Wright Award in 1986.

Scottino graduated from Gannon in 1950, and earned his master's and doctorate degrees in political philosophy from Fordham University. He also held teaching appointments at Fordham and St. John Fisher College

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