

# PROFILE

Centenary is a selective liberal arts college offering undergraduate programs and limited number of graduate programs in the arts, humanities, natural sciences, and social sciences, which strengthen the foundation for students' personal lives and career goals. Students and faculty work together to build a community focused on ethical and intellectual development, respect and concern for human and spiritual values, and the joy of creativity and discovery.

Consistent with its affiliation with the United Methodist Church, the College encourages a lifelong dedication not only to learning but also to serving others. It strives to overcome ignorance and intolerance; to examine ideas critically; to provide an understanding of the forces that have influenced the past, drive the present, and shape the future; and to cultivate integrity, intellectual and moral courage, responsibility, fairness, and compassion.

### Degrees Conferred

Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science, Bachelor of Music, Master of Business Administration, Master of Education

**Student/Faculty Ratio** ..... 12:1

### Rankings

- Top 25 Hottest Colleges by Newsweek
- Peterson's *Top 200 Colleges for Science*
- *America's Best Colleges*
- Princeton Review's *The Best 366 Colleges*
- *Best Buys in College Education*
- *America's Best Christian Colleges*

### Financial Aid

Centenary College offers financial assistance to help make your education affordable.

- Academic scholarships
- Talent awards (athletic, music, art, theatre, dance ...)
- College grants and scholarships
- Federal and state grants
- Work/Study awards
- Student and parent loans

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## The Centenary **FENCING** Team & Club

Member,  
United States  
Fencing  
Association



## FENCING

### *Team & Club*

Fencing at Centenary was launched in 2005 when its first class, “Beginning Fencing” entered the curriculum in health and exercise science. It has been taught by Andy Shaw since its start on campus. Due to the success of the course, an “Intermediate Fencing” class was later added. In just two short years, the Fencing instruction program that started as one class developed into a Fencing Club and now, a competitive Fencing Team. The Fencing Club works to promote the sport as well as to provide access to the sport on a competitive level at Centenary. This year, the members of the Fencing Team will compete regionally in Foil, Épée and Sabre with teams from Louisiana, Arkansas, Oklahoma, Mississippi, and Texas.

Daniel Ewing and Malari Coburn (pictured above) are Co-captains of the Centenary Fencing Team. Daniel has been fencing for five years with Andy Shaw and has spent time training under Olympian and Hall of Fame fencer Michael Marx in Oregon. He has attended the Summer National Championships and the Junior Olympic Fencing Championships for the past four years. He was the Louisiana High School Champion in Epee for three years and the Ark-La-Miss Division Epee champion for three

years. Daniel has just recently earned his “C” rating in Epee. Malari is a sophomore from Bossier City, LA. She began fencing her first year of college and her weapon of choice is saber. Malari is majoring in English with a minor in Environment and Society. She is very active in the Centenary Environmental Association and enjoys reading, being outdoors, and taking photographs.

## ANDY SHAW

### *Head Coach*

Andy Shaw, a well-known figure in American fencing, first garnered national attention with his NCAA-leading 35-1 record for the 1970-71 season while earning the MVP and the Outstanding College Athletes of America Award at Temple University. Andy has excelled in every area of fencing. In 1974, he founded Atlanta’s first fencing club and coached Georgia Tech’s first team. While in Los Angeles, Andy ran the Westside Fencing Center for 13 years, which allowed him the opportunity to train several stars for their roles in major films. Among those Andy trained are Bob Dylan, Jimmy Buffet, Chris O’Donnell, Kiefer Sutherland, and Russell Crowe. Besides being an active coach and trainer to fencers, Shaw works as a trainer to fencing officials and by the 1990’s, he was the best-known and

most-utilized fencing official in the United States. He held the highest rating given domestically (#1) for nine consecutive years and was a member of the United States Fencing Officials’ Commission. In 1990, Shaw was appointed Official Historian for the US Fencing Association and became an Associate Editor for *American Fencing Magazine*. Shaw moved to Shreveport in 2002 and opened the Fairfield Avenue School of Fencing and the Museum of American Fencing, the only fencing museum in the United States. Also in 2002, Shaw introduced a fencing class, club and later a team to the Southfield School, which has grown to forty fencers in just six years. In 2005, Shaw brought his fencing expertise and experience to Centenary and will now lead the College as Head Coach as we grow into a competitive Fencing Team.

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