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- ◆ To educate students for responsible citizenship;
- ◆ To produce committed global citizens and leaders who understand the importance of individual liberties in improving the human condition worldwide; and
- ◆ To encourage graduates to take an active role in addressing these issues in whatever professions they may choose.

The School serves as a catalyst for innovative, interdisciplinary, community-based work by creating and supporting opportunities for teams of faculty, students, and staff to use their academic and professional skills to address a community need.

The founding goals of the McMaster School are:

1. To critically examine the root causes of human suffering through community-based research that addresses systemic factors that impede human progress;
2. To give students the knowledge and capacities to be active world citizens and to view themselves as members of the world community;
3. To contribute actively through sponsored scholarship and service to the improvement of the human condition worldwide;
4. To exchange, create, and disseminate knowledge about successful models of active citizenship and public service; and
5. To create at Defiance College one of the nation's premier undergraduate educational programs with a focus on scholarship and service, with a special emphasis on developing an innovative approach to teaching.

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The McMaster family has been an instrumental force in business, industry, and civic involvement in northwest Ohio for many years. Harold and Helen McMaster together with their sons and daughters – Ronald McMaster, Jeanine Sandwisch Dunn, Nancy Cobie, and Alan McMaster – established the School through a generous endowment to Defiance College in 2002. Although Harold McMaster died in 2003, his legacy – a belief in an individual's potential to positively impact humanity through scholarship, leadership and service – lives on through the McMaster School for Advancing Humanity.

