

At St. Bonaventure University, TAPinto Greater Olean, started by two Jandoli School of Communication faculty members in January 2016, features student-written stories about the community surrounding the university. Stories written by students for TAPinto Greater Olean can be picked up and published on other news sites in the TAPinto network.

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[TAPinto Greater Olean](#)

TAPinto has approximately 100 franchises in New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania and Florida. Student stories can be picked up and shared by any of the franchises in the TAPinto network.

TAPinto Greater Olean is a news site that residents of the Olean area community rely on. Readers comment on the franchise's Facebook and Twitter sites and by email and occasional phone calls.

1,679 at St. Bonaventure University

153 in the Jandoli School

Students in the Jandoli School of Communication at St. Bonaventure University do almost all the reporting for TAPinto Greater Olean, writing advance stories about upcoming events, covering news and sports as they happen, and providing commentary. TAPinto Greater Olean's staffers per semester are as many as 15 and as few as 5 in enrollees in the undergraduate, experiential learning Journalists' Workshop two-semester course, earning 3 credits each semester. Other Jandoli School majors earn internship hours by contributing stories. And graduate students in the Lees' Writing and Editing course also write a story a piece.

Richard Lee, a full professor, and Anne Lee, a lecturer, team-teach the experiential reporting undergraduate class as well as the graduate writing and reporting course. Both Lees have newspaper and government communication experience.

The Jandoli School of Communication pays the franchise fee for TAPinto Greater Olean. The franchise currently is utilized as a journalism practicum for the students, but plans are underway to develop a business side like all other TAPinto franchises have.