Martin M. Kane
Just as Martin M. Kane is Ursuline College’s kind of professor, Ursuline College is his kind of place. “Ursuline stands for a set of strong personal values. It believes that everyone has a voice that should be heard. It wants everyone to develop a vision of the future. Ursuline encourages students to be the best they possibly can be.”

Martin is the Director of the Educational Administration Program and assistant professor of education at Ursuline. He was hired in 1991 after retiring as Principal of Theodore Roosevelt High School in Kent, Ohio. Not surprisingly, Martin has worked in the educational field for 39 years. He says, “I always have liked the idea of working in a profession that helps people.” From an early age, he knew that he would probably end up either coaching or teaching. In his early twenties, he decided to become a school principal. “As I progressed through my experiences as a school administrator, it became clear to me that my real goal in life was to prepare successful school administrative leaders. So, here I am.” Martin would like to be a role model for his students, and hopes that their association with him helps each to see and understand the value of developing positive relationships within the school. “It is my goal to be open and honest so that every student believes in the necessity of being completely ethical in everything he or she does. By watching me function at Ursuline, hopefully every student sees the value of helping people more and hassling people less”.

Martin was the first of his family to attend college. His parents did not have the financial means necessary to send him to school but, as fate would have it, he attended Kent State University on a baseball scholarship. “I was the only English major in the entire Kent State athletic department. I studied hard. I played baseball hard. I participated in co-curricular activities hard. Being a pitcher, I was always stimulated by a challenge. Earning a bachelor’s degree in college was a challenge.” Martin has his parents to thank for his strong work ethic. “They taught me that there was no free lunch. If you wanted something in life, you had to work for it. I still admire those qualities today”.

When he’s not teaching, Martin devotes his time to baseball. As a former professional player with the Boston Red Sox, he’s a fan of the Indians and enjoys attending the minor league games of the Akron Aeros, the Lake Erie Captains, the Mahoning Valley Scrappers, and even the Kinston Indians. He also enjoys watching his two young grandchildren play in the spring and summer. It’s clear that Martin is a person who loves the game, and has a passion for the sport. “You can be certain that if there is a baseball game in the area, I will be there”.

FAVORITIES:
Song/music genre: Anything sung by the Carpenters
Color: Red
Vacation spot: Outer Banks
Sports team: Boston Red Sox
Holiday: Christmas
Season: Summer
Food: Salmon
Quote: “It ain’t over till it’s over” – Casey Stengel
Book/Author: The Seven Habits of Highly Effective People by Steven Covey
TV show/movie: Friday Night Lights
Animal/pet: Dog
Historical figure: Abraham Lincoln