

**JOHN SCILEPPI**  
**Marist College**  
**Poughkeepsie, NY**  
**For the Marist College Archives and Special Collections**  
**Index – John Scileppi**

**Project Name:** Marist Heritage Project

**Transcript:** Yes

**Summary:** Yes

**Photograph(s):** Yes

**CD#:** 031

**Name of Interviewee:** John Scileppi

**Main Topics:** In the following interview, Dr. John A. Scileppi reflects on his years at Marist College teaching in the psychology department. The interview begins with a brief background of Dr. John Scileppi's educational years and his transition to teaching at Marist College. Dr. Scileppi speaks of his early teaching assignments given to him by Dan Kirk, including courses on The Theories of Personality and The Psychology of Interpersonal Communication. Dr. John Scileppi also speaks of the transition to the core program as well as several influential colleagues at Marist College. The interview ends with Dr. John Scileppi's hopes for the future of Marist College.

**Others present?:** Yes

**Interviewed by:** Gus Nolan

**Interview Date:** 25 June 2002

**Location of Interview:** Archives and Special Collections Reading Room at Marist College

**Recorder model and type:** Marantz PMD 690

**Length of interview:** 51 minutes, 28 seconds

**Number of disks:** 1

**Recording medium/format:** Microdrive

**Brand of disks:** IBM 1GB Microdrive

**Archival copy made:** Burned to a gold alloy CD (MAM) and is held in the Marist College Archives and Special Collections. Saved as a .wav file at the highest resolution possible. CD copy is available for researchers.

**Quality of original recording:** Good

**Restrictions on interview access or use:** None

**Transcribed or summarized by:** Erin Kelly

**Brief summary of interview context and recording contents:** This interview was held in the Cannavino Library on the Marist College campus.

**TAPE INDEX:**

<u>Time (00:00.00 ~ in hrs./mins./seconds)</u>	<u>Summary</u>
00:00.00 – 00:04.53	John Scileppi discusses his background and personal history. He talks about where he grew up, his parents and siblings, where he went to school from grammar through college, and finally his wife and son.
00:04.54 – 00:20.43	John talks about being a student at Marist College, how he was recruited to attend, how he chose psychology as his major, and the great teachers he had. He also talks about the expectations of students while he was attending college, and contrasts it to the expectations of students today. He finishes discussing his education by talking about his graduate courses and becoming a Marist Brother at the same time.
00:20.44 – 00:35.14	John describes his first teaching assignments at Marist High School and St. Xavier College, and the programs he began while he was there. In 1973 he returned to Marist and describes some of the first classes he taught here. He also briefly runs through the various committees that he has served on over the years. He talks at length about the development of the core program and the role he played in its development.
00:35.15 – 00:43.02	John briefly compares the students at Marist now to the students that were at Marist when he was attending and when he first began teaching at Marist. He then moves on to compare the administrations of Linus Foy and Dennis Murray.
00:43.03 – 00:51.28	John then goes on to talk about his role in the development of the psychology program and the psychology graduate program. He discusses the key points and highlights about Marist throughout its history, and as a parting statement he expresses his wish that Marist never stops educating the total person as it has been doing for its entire history.