



THE CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA

Agreement between the Catholic University of America (CUA) and the Loudoun County Public Schools (LCPS)

CUA undertakes to admit employees of the Loudoun County Public Schools (LCPS) to its Master of Science in Library Science program when they meet normal admission requirements.

Applicants will apply directly to the university. A letter from the Staff Development Office verifying that students continue to be employees of the Schools will be sent to the School of Library and Information Science each semester before registration. In order to benefit from the tuition agreement, students must continue to be employed by LCPS. Students will be billed directly for the tuition and fees. Students who are not employees of the LCPS may take courses held in Loudoun County on a space-available basis but will not receive the discount accorded to the school district employees.

Year-round and at all locations the tuition for LCPS students will be fifty (50) percent of the fall, on-campus, graduate per course tuition. LCPS had agreed to pay the above tuition for their employees for the four required courses. Students will be responsible for paying the above tuition for the remaining eight courses plus normal fees for all courses (including the required courses and application fees) on any campus on which they take classes.

Classes for the employees will be a part of the regular schedule and offered in Washington, D.C. and Virginia during the fall, spring and summer sessions. In the fall and spring semesters one course will be offered in Loudoun County and during the summer session two courses will be offered in Loudoun County. The space for classes in the county will be provided by LCPS.

LCPS also agrees to be active in providing information about the CUA program to employees and to give access to CUA/SLIS faculty and staff for the purpose of continued recruiting. They will also assist their employees in finding additional scholarship assistance if asked to do so.

The term of this agreement is for four years and may be renewed if both parties agree. If the agreement is not renewed, students already admitted will retain the benefit of reduced tuition until they complete the 36 credits required for graduation but not to exceed five years from date of enrollment in their first course. Either party may terminate this agreement by giving the other 60 days notice.

Signed:

John J. Convey
Provost
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John O'Connor
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