Memorandum of Understanding

Marywood University and NativityMiguel School of Scranton

Marywood University, sponsored by the Congregation of the Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, roots itself in the Catholic intellectual tradition, the principle of justice, and the belief that education empowers people. The University integrates an enduring liberal arts tradition and professional disciplines to create a comprehensive learning experience. Our undergraduate and graduate programs promote academic excellence, advance innovative scholarship and foster leadership in service to others. Within a welcoming and supportive community, Marywood challenges individuals of all backgrounds to achieve their full potential and make choices based on spiritual and ethical values. Marywood University prepares students to seek sustainable solutions for the common good and educates global citizens to live responsibly in an interdependent world.

Through this memorandum, we are excited to mutually enhance the access and opportunity to a high quality Catholic educational experience from the high school to post-secondary level. The components of our partnership include, but are not limited to:

- 1. Marywood University will guarantee first-year admission* and a four-year renewable full-tuition undergraduate scholarship** to the graduates of the NativityMiguel School of Scranton. The student must have a 2.75 High School GPA (80%), an earned high-school diploma, and an eighth-grade diploma from NativityMiguel School of Scranton. The student must maintain an appropriate, pre-determined GPA based on the value of the scholarship in order to renew annually. Since the award is in support of undergraduate education, it can be received for a maximum of eight semesters, or until the student has achieved the baccalaureate degree, whichever comes first. The student must be enrolled on a full-time basis.
 - * The guaranteed admission applies to most majors at Marywood University. Several highly selective majors will have program specific requirements for admission. Please contact the Marywood University Office of Admissions for more information.
 - ** NativityMiguel School of Scranton graduates are required, if eligible, to annually apply for state and federal financial aid through the completion of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Students are also responsible for completing any additional items requested by Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency (PHEAA) in accordance with any imposed timelines by PHEAA. If a student is eligible for state or federal grant, it will be applied to the annual tuition cost, leaving the balance of tuition to be covered through this agreement.

- 2. NativityMiguel School of Scranton graduates will have access to Marywood University courses tuition-free offered through our Pre-Collegiate program Momentum. Students will be responsible for materials and course fees. Course availability and rates are subject to change. Additional information can be found at www.marywood.edu/admissions/pre-collegiate/.
- 3. The NativityMiguel School of Scranton will permit a Marywood University admissions representative to visit with their graduates through the Graduate Support Program.
- 4. The NativityMiguel School of Scranton will permit a Marywood University representative to present this agreement and scholarship opportunity at the annual pre-graduation class night of the NativityMiguel School of Scranton.

Terms of Agreement: This agreement is effective upon all signatures received and is retroactive for all NativityMiguel School of Scranton graduates as of June 2023, unless canceled as provided for in this agreement. Marywood University or NativityMiguel School of Scranton may terminate this agreement for any or no reason within ninety (90) days advance written notice.

This agreement may be reviewed and revised at any time at the behest of the NativityMiguel School of Scranton President or the President at Marywood University.

This Memorandum of Understanding is agreed upon and signed on

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