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~~Elisabeth Poterba~~
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Dear Elisabeth:

The Jesuit tradition and record of academic excellence likely played a significant role in your decision to attend the School of Education at Loyola University Chicago. Your selection was a sound one because in its 28-year history, Loyola's School of Education has earned a solid reputation among educators and others both within the city of Chicago and throughout the metropolitan region. Our research-oriented faculty has deliberately developed academic programs that offer a balance between theory and practice by including internships, practica and service experiences which encompass the diverse resources and opportunities of the entire region. In addition, we have tried to maintain smaller class sizes to promote greater faculty-student interaction, and to offer courses at a variety of times and days and at several of our campuses, as well as at off-campus sites. Our programs have an impressive placement record, with graduates making substantial contributions to their professional workplaces.

Our commitment to sustaining and enhancing quality programs means the university must pay careful attention to financial resources in order to maintain our strength as a national educator. To support these efforts, the Loyola University Chicago Board of Trustees has recently approved a tuition increase for 1997-98. Because I realize tuition expenses are an important part of your personal financial planning, I write to provide you with the trustees' tuition decision earlier than most universities do. The 1997-98 tuition for graduate students in the School of Education will be \$441 per credit hour, an 8.1 percent increase.

After many years of underpricing our quality academic programs, this tuition increase still does not cover all of our instructional costs, and is not the only way the university is meeting operational costs. Increasing tuition is one component of the university's carefully managed, multi-part program that also includes increasing fund-raising efforts, trimming budgets and keeping salary levels contained. The 1997-98 tuition increase is smaller than it has been in past years, and university administrators expect this to be the last year of increases above national trends.

The faculty and staff of the School of Education continue our commitment to preparing you for a rewarding and productive career by providing high-quality teaching, personal attention, and valuable clinical and service experiences. I hope that you will continue to value the many benefits you receive from your Loyola education.

Sincerely,

Terry E. Williams

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