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## **University of Saint Joseph Receives \$30,000 Grant from the Raymond H. Deck Family Designated Fund**

WEST HARTFORD, CONN. (May 29, 2013) – The University of Saint Joseph was awarded a grant of \$30,000 from the Hartford Foundation for Public Giving to establish the Veronica A. Deck and Raymond H. Deck Scholarship Fund, from the Raymond H. Deck Family Designated Fund in Memory of Kevin F. Deck. This fund supports the work of nonprofit organizations throughout the Greater Hartford region. The fund establishes a scholarship that will be designated to help Hartford children attend the university.

Raymond H. Deck H'82, was a leader in Hartford's insurance industry and in the Greater Hartford community. During his career, he was president of Chase Insurance Enterprises and executive vice president and director of the Hartford Insurance Group. He was among the first Trustees of what was then Saint Joseph College (now the University of Saint Joseph), joining the Board in 1969, serving as its Chair from 1970-81, and remaining as a Trustee Emeritus until his death in 2008. In addition to his service to University of Saint Joseph, he also served as Chairman and Trustee of the Metropolitan YMCA, on the Board of the Foundation for the Advancement of Catholic Schools, as general campaign chairman of the Hartford Easter Seal annual campaign, and as a corporator for area hospitals. Among his many honors, Mr. Deck received the AFP Philanthropy Day Award in 1975, an honorary degree from the University of Saint Joseph in 1982, the YMCA's Robert C. Knox, Jr. Distinguished Leadership Award in 1997, and the University of Saint Joseph's Heart of Life Award in 2004. A graduate of St. Louis University, Deck was named Knight of Saint Gregory the Great by Pope John Paul II, for his contributions to the Archdiocese of Hartford, and in 1993 was honored by the Sisters of Mercy as "Mercy Trustee of the Year."

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*The University of Saint Joseph (USJ) offers a wide range of graduate, undergraduate, and certificate programs that combine a professional and liberal arts education with a focus on service. Coeducational graduate master's and doctoral degree programs are taught on the University's two campuses in West Hartford and Hartford, Connecticut; at off-campus locations throughout the state; and online. Undergraduate programs for women and for coeducational adult students take place on our beautiful suburban campus and include more than 22 majors*

*and six pre-professional programs, each of which provides personal attention in a caring environment. Founded in 1932 by the Sisters of Mercy, the University of Saint Joseph welcomes students from diverse backgrounds and religious traditions. To learn more, view our website at [www.usj.edu](http://www.usj.edu).*

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