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## **M.A. in Marriage and Family Therapy program at the University of Saint Joseph Earns National Accreditation**

WEST HARTFORD, CONN. – The University of Saint Joseph (USJ) is pleased to announce that the M.A. in Marriage and Family Therapy program has once again received accreditation from the Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education (COAMFTE). The program has been reaccredited for another six year term.

“COAMFTE accreditation of the master’s program in Marriage and Family Therapy at USJ is a point of pride for our campus community, demonstrating the University’s commitment to meeting high academic standards within the field and assuring that the course of study in marriage and family therapy is both rigorous and inclusive,” said Richard Halstead, Ph.D., professor and chair of the department of Counseling and Family Therapy. “In essence, this national recognition assures program quality and elevates USJ’s reputation in the broader professional community.”

**The Master of Arts program in Marriage and Family Therapy at the University of Saint Joseph** provides students with a solid core of knowledge about marriage and family therapy, and educates them to become licensed marriage and family therapists. The M.A. in Marriage and Family Therapy consists of approximately 54 graduate credits depending on the length of one’s clinical internship. Flexible in design, classes are offered in later afternoons and early evenings to accommodate working adults. For more information, view: <http://www.usj.edu/mft>

### **About COAMFTE**

COAMFTE is a specialized accrediting body that accredits master's degree, doctoral degree, and post-graduate degree clinical training programs in marriage and family therapy throughout the United States and Canada. Since 1978, COAMFTE has been recognized by the United States Department of Education (USDE) as the national accrediting body for the field of marriage and family therapy. COAMFTE is also recognized by the Council on Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA).

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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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