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**UNIVERSITY OF SAINT JOSEPH ANNOUNCES CHANGE IN ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT**

***Amanda Devitt to become University's first female Athletic Director***

WEST HARTFORD, Conn. (June 5, 2019) – The University of Saint Joseph (USJ) today announced that Amanda Devitt, the former Senior Associate Athletics Director for Student-Athlete Services and Success at the University of Hartford, will become the new Athletic Director.

“I am extremely excited to be the next Athletic Director at the University of Saint Joseph. I am grateful for the opportunity and the trust that Vice President Ken Bedini and President Rhona Free have placed in me to lead this department,” said Devitt. She added, “I look forward to working with the coaches, the staff, and the gifted student-athletes of USJ to continue to elevate Blue Jay Athletics. Graduating student-athletes, winning titles, and doing both with great integrity will be our chief aims.”

As an NCAA Division III school, the University of Saint Joseph hosts 13 varsity teams, several intramurals, and numerous recreation and wellness programs. The University is a member of the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) and the Great Northeast Athletic Conference (GNAC).

The Blue Jays have won GNAC championships in volleyball, women's basketball, softball and women's tennis. USJ also offers varsity programs in men's basketball, men's soccer, women's soccer, men's and women's cross country, men's lacrosse, women's lacrosse, and men's and women's swimming & diving.

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*The University of Saint Joseph (USJ) offers a wide range of coeducational undergraduate, graduate, and certificate programs that combine a professional and liberal arts education with a focus on service. Undergraduate programs for both traditional and adult students take place on our beautiful suburban campus and include more than 26 majors and seven pre-professional programs, taught by expert faculty in an engaging environment. 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. 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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