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UNIVERSITY OF SAINT JOSEPH INAUGURATES NEW CENTER FOR WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT WITH PANEL DISCUSSION, *WORKING TO ELEVATE WOMEN TO THE C-SUITE*

WEST HARTFORD, Conn. (Oct. 12, 2016) – Launching its new Center for Women's Leadership Development, the University of Saint Joseph will host a panel discussion, *Working to Elevate Women to the C-Suite*, on Thursday, October 20, 2016 from 6-8:30 p.m. in the Hoffman Auditorium in the Autorino Center for the Arts, located at 1678 Asylum Avenue in West Hartford.

Admission to *Working to Elevate Women to the C-Suite* is free of charge. Pre-registration by email is required by October 18 by contacting Cristina Southward at <mailto:csouthward@usj.edu>.

"The University of Saint Joseph has a history of preparing women for a broad range of careers and we are excited to launch this Center that will provide educational programs and support research on the skills that are needed for women to move to the top," said Rhona Free, Ph.D., president of USJ. "This panel of distinguished and accomplished women who will discuss their experiences and what they look for as they develop leaders in their organizations is a perfect way for us to inaugurate the Center for Women's Leadership Development."

Members of the *Working to Elevate Women to the C-Suite* panel will include:

- Sheila Hartnett (USJ, '74): Senior Advisor, former business owner & Chairman/CEO of Geometry Global
- Patti LaMonica: Executive Director of Emergency Medicine and Prehospital Service Line, St. Francis Hospital and Medical Center
- Madelyn Lankton: Executive Vice President & Chief Information Officer, Enterprise Operations and eBusiness, Travelers
- Joanne Price: Co-founder/Managing Partner, Fairview Capital

Moderating the panel will be Nancy Roath (USJ, '72), Co-founder & Senior Director of Future 5 and former Vice President of Brand & Product Marketing at IBM Corporation. Closing remarks will be provided by Marty Gervasi (USJ, '83), chief human resource officer for The Hartford.

Working to Elevate Women to the C-Suite is sponsored by Hewlett Packard Enterprise.

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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 25 majors and seven 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.

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