

## MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

between

BROOKLYN COLLEGE

and

INDIANA UNIVERSITY MAURER SCHOOL OF LAW

The following Brooklyn College Law Scholars Program (the "Program") is an endeavor between Brooklyn College and Indiana University Maurer School of Law ("Maurer School of Law"). The Program is designed to advance both institutions' strong commitments to providing meaningful pathways for students to advance their academic interests. In particular, this collaboration seeks to provide talented students interested in the study of law the ability to obtain an affordable legal education at one of the nation's top public law schools. The goal is to provide undergraduate students interested in obtaining a Juris Doctor degree with a scholarship (equaling approximately a 50% total savings off the cost of law school tuition), a mentorship program, and other opportunities through the Maurer School of Law.

The two institutions agree to enter into this cooperative arrangement to better fulfill their institutional objectives. Both institutions will cooperate in the following manner:

### Overview

- The purpose of the Program is to significantly reduce the cost of legal education for qualified students interested in legal studies and to provide Brooklyn College the ability to offer this opportunity for current students and alumni.
- Students admitted to the Maurer School of Law's J.D. program through this collaboration will be referred to as a Brooklyn College Law Scholar during their time at the law school.
- Students admitted to the Program will receive: (1) a minimum scholarship amounting to approximately a 50% of tuition, in the amount of \$45,000 for in-state residents and \$75,000 for out-of-state residents; and (2) receive mentorship through a formal mentor program.
- Brooklyn College will agree to publicize this opportunity to its current students and to its alumni who may be interested in attending law school.

### Admissions Process

- Brooklyn College students or alumni applying for admission to study in the Maurer School of Law's J.D. program will be considered for the Program. The expectation is that each year, the Maurer School of Law will accept at least two applicants, assuming sufficient qualified applications. The Program is open to both current students and alumni who attended Brooklyn College.

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- Students must fulfill all the criteria for admission into the Maurer School of Law and admission to the J.D. program will follow the Maurer School of Law's usual admission procedures. Because the Maurer School of Law has a rolling admissions policy, no specific application priority deadlines or dates exist. Applications may be submitted as early as September of the year preceding the year in which the student wishes to enroll. Prospective students are encouraged to apply early, as seats are filled as the season progresses.
- The Maurer School of Law will accept students as a Brooklyn College Law Scholar based on indications that the student will succeed in law school, considering prior academic performance, any letters of recommendation, past professional and other experience, interest in studying at the law school, and other factors the two institutions may wish to consider.
- Students admitted to this Program in 2015-16 will have a minimum UGPA and LSAT score at least equal to the median for the entering class of the prior year. Maurer's median UGPA/LSAT in 2015 for its entering class was 3.76/161. At the beginning of each academic year, the Maurer School of Law will set the minimum LSAT and cumulative grade point average for the following year (e.g., new criteria will be set in August 2016 for the 2017 year).
- Maurer will consider in good faith requests by Brooklyn College to designate as a Brooklyn College Law Scholar a student or alumnus who exceeds either the Maurer UGPA or LSAT entering class median but not both medians. If Maurer designates such a student as a Brooklyn College Law Scholar, that student will receive the full mentorship benefits of the Program but less scholarship aid than a student who exceeds both entering class medians.
- Students not admitted as a Brooklyn College Law Scholar will still be considered for admission to the Maurer School of Law through the regular admissions process.
- Students admitted to the Program, must accept and submit the required confirmation form no later than April 1. Should a student not accept the offer or submit the required confirmation form by April 1, the scholarship may be forfeited so that the school can reallocate the scholarship money to other applicants.

**The Brooklyn Law Scholars Program**

- As described above, applicants admitted to the Maurer School of Law as a Brooklyn College Law Scholar will: (1) be awarded a significant scholarship; and (2) be provided a formal mentor program.

**1. The Scholarship**

- Students admitted to the Brooklyn College Law Scholar's Program will receive a scholarship, in an amount equal to approximately 50% tuition, to attend the Maurer School of Law. In 2015-16, this will amount to \$45,000 over three years for residents (i.e. \$15,000 a year) and \$75,000 over three years for non-residents (i.e., \$25,000 a year).

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- Flat rate yearly tuition is currently \$30,500 for residents and \$50,500 for non-residents. Detailed information about the cost of attendance at the Maurer School of Law can be found on the school's website: <http://law.indiana.edu/admissions/jd/financial/index.shtml>
- The scholarship will reduce for the Law Scholar the total cost of earning a J.D. degree at the Maurer School of Law. The scholarship will be equally applied toward fall and spring tuition over the three years of attendance, but in no event will the amount applied exceed the amount charged for tuition. The student will be responsible for paying any difference between their scholarship and any tuition or other charges.
- Students with credentials higher than the required minimum LSAT and UGPA may be eligible for additional scholarship assistance.

**2. Mentorship Program**

- To assist and promote academic success, students admitted to the Brooklyn College Law Scholar's Program will be provided an alumni mentor, an upper-division student mentor, and a faculty mentor.
- Whenever possible, the Brooklyn College Law Scholar will be matched with an alumnus and an upper-division student with similar career interests or who also graduated from Brooklyn College. In future years, an attempt will be made to match current Brooklyn Law Scholars with former Brooklyn College Law Scholars.

**Additional**

- The initial term of this Memorandum shall be for three years: from July 1, 2015 through July 1, 2018.
- This Memorandum may be amended in writing by mutual decision of both institutions. Brooklyn College and the Maurer School of Law anticipate that any issues that arise and any modifications to this MOU that need to be made will be addressed cooperatively between both institutions.
- Either institution may terminate this Memorandum by giving three months' notice in writing to the other institution. Both Brooklyn College and the Maurer School of Law will cooperate to ensure no student is compromised due to termination of this MOU.
- Brooklyn College will promote the Law Scholar's Program to potential student candidates via the College's pre-law faculty advisor, and the Magner Career Center. The College will do its best to include the Law Scholar's Program in its email, print, and other promotional venues for

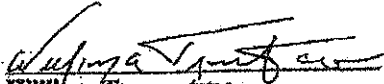
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scholarships and pre-professional events, and will post and disseminate materials from the Maurer School of Law accordingly.

In witness whereof, the Parties have here offered their signatures:



Austen Parrish  
Dean and James H. Rudy Professor of Law  
Indiana University Maurer School of Law



William Tramontano  
Provost and Senior Vice President  
Brooklyn College

Date: Dec. 8<sup>th</sup>, 2015

Date:



Donald S. Lukes  
Associate Vice President and Associate Treasurer  
Indiana University

Date: