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Dear Faculty and Staff

The Presidential Awards Selection Committee invites you to submit your nominations for 2008 - 2009 seniors for the Presidential Citations, Ignatian Award and the Marian Award. Loyola Marymount University bestows these awards to recognize its most accomplished students. The awards will be presented at the Academic Awards Convocation on Tuesday, April 21, 2009 at 3:00pm in Sacred Heart Chapel.

Nominees must be spring 2009 graduating seniors or graduates who completed their baccalaureate degree in August or December 2008. They must demonstrate academic excellence, a GPA of 3.2 or above, as well as significant university leadership and/or notable co-curricular community service. Service that is not directly related to the student's career goal or major is especially valued.

Awards

The *Presidential Citations* are awarded by the University President to the graduating seniors nominated for outstanding academic records, leadership, and service by the academic community and selected by a committee of faculty and administration. The awardees have earned this distinction by demonstrating their commitment to the University mission in their own unique ways, and embodying the University's goal to create "men and women for others." The *Ignatian Award* is a tradition shared by many Jesuit educational institutions in recognizing outstanding service in the Jesuit tradition. Loyola Marymount University's Ignatian Award is given annually to one male Presidential Citation awardee who has been selected by the Committee for selfless service, ethical leadership and academic excellence. The *Marian Award* is a tradition unique to Loyola Marymount University and overseen by members of the Religious of the Sacred Heart of Mary. This award has evolved to complement the Ignatian Award by recognizing the one female Presidential Citation awardee who has held true to the Marian ideals by proving herself a model of service, leadership, and academic achievement.

Your letter of nomination must clearly demonstrate the nominee's commitment to the University mission. You may submit as many nominations as you wish, however, each nomination must be on a separate form. You may download the form at: [ManeGate/academics/undergraduate education](#). The deadline for submission of nominations is **Friday, February 13, 2009**. Hand delivery of nominations is highly recommended.

The Presidential Awards Selection Committee thanks you for taking time to submit your nomination. For additional information, please call Emma Pastrana at 310.338.3757.

Sincerely,

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