

**APPROVE TUITION PAYMENTS TO DEPAUL UNIVERSITY FOR THE
GLOBAL EDUCATORS OUTREACH PROGRAM**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve payment of tuition to DePaul University for graduate level coursework used by the Office of Language, Cultural and Early Childhood Education for the Global Educators Outreach (GEO) Program at a cost not to exceed \$34,000. The coursework provided will enable the 43 GEO Program teachers from Cohort #1 to obtain Illinois standard teaching certification. No written agreement is required for tuition payments. Information pertinent to this program is stated below.

Specifications No.: 00-250840

UNIVERSITY: DePaul University
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Chicago, Illinois 60614
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Vendor # 36273
Contact: Dr. Barbara Radner

USER: Office of Language, Cultural and Early
Childhood Education
125 S. Clark Street
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Contact: Armando M. Almendarez

PAYMENT PERIOD: Payments are authorized for university courses scheduled from January 1, 2001 through June 30, 2001.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION: DePaul University, in connection with the Global Educators Outreach (GEO) Program, will organize and provide graduate level courses needed by the 43 GEO Program teachers from Cohort #1 to fulfill the requirements for an Illinois standard teaching certificate. Teachers are required to fulfill these requirements within four years. Launched in December 1999, the GEO Program was established to expand teacher recruitment efforts to other countries. The 43 teachers were selected from a pool of over 1,000 applicants from over sixty countries to fill the critical teacher shortage in the areas of mathematics, the sciences and world languages. These teachers were sponsored by the Chicago Public Schools for work authorization visas, H1B, from the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Services.

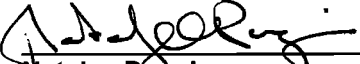
OUTCOMES: A cohort of 43 CPS GEO Program teachers will demonstrate progress toward fulfilling requirements for an Illinois standard teaching certificate.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: Pursuant to Section 3.7 of the M/WBE Plan, this contract is exempt from review under the M/WBE Plan due to the fact that the award will be used to pay tuition.

LSC REVIEW: Local School Council approval is not applicable to this report.

FINANCIAL: Charge to Office of Language and Cultural Education: \$34,000
Budget Classification: 0930-210-000-1055-5560 Fiscal Year: 2001
Source of Funds: General Funds

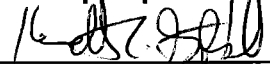
Approved for Consideration:


Natalie Paquin
Chief Purchasing Officer

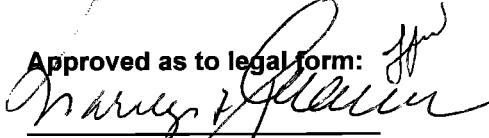
Approved:


Paul G. Vallas
Chief Executive Officer

Within Appropriation:


Kenneth C. Gotsch
Chief Fiscal Officer

Approved as to legal form:


Marilyn F. Johnson
General Counsel