

Resolution 037
A Resolution requesting the diplomas issued at
the Catholic University of America to be changed to their original Latin.
Sponsored By: Senator Andrew Nagode
Cosponsored By: Senator Aaron Mackisey and Senator Nicholas Procino

Whereas

The official language of the Catholic Church is Latin, and the Catholic University of America is the national university of the Church in the United States.

Whereas

The Catholic University of America's founding charter was written in Latin to establish the University. All diplomas were issued in Latin until 1969 when the University switched to English.

Whereas

The diploma style changed in 2003 to have a more traditional appearance due to student demand in the Undergraduate Student Government (USG).

Whereas

Many current diplomas of Catholic and secular universities are in Latin, which includes Fordham University, Boston College, Yale University, Princeton University, Seton Hall University, and Georgetown University.

Be it enacted that,

The Student Government Association (SGA), acting as a representative of the students at the Catholic University of America hereby requests that the Academic Senate consider issuing diplomas in the Latin language. Additionally, the Student Government Association requests that diploma seal be changed to the Latin language. For students with strong objection to the Latin diploma, accommodations shall be made after graduation.

Agreed to by a vote of _____ yeas to _____ nays on this date: _____ with
_____ abstaining and _____ not present.

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