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## Converse College Launches The Converse Guarantee The Program Guarantees Undergraduate Student Degree Completion in 4 Years and Employment or Graduate School Acceptance After Graduation

**SPARTANBURG, S.C.** (November 18, 2020) – Converse College announces its launch of the "Converse Guarantee" – a program guaranteeing undergraduate students will graduate in 4 years and gain employment or graduate school acceptance within 6 months after graduation.

Components of the Converse Guarantee are:

- Guarantee 1: Converse guarantees all undergraduate, full-time students who begin and continue at Converse will graduate in 4 years. Students not completing their degrees in 4 years will be eligible to return to Converse tuition-free to finish their degree, provided they met the Guarantee requirements.
- Guarantee 2: Converse guarantees all students will be employed full-time or enrolled in graduate school within 6 months of graduation, or be eligible to return to Converse for a full year tuition-free as long as they followed the Guarantee guidelines.

Students beginning their coursework at Converse in Fall 2021 will be eligible for the Converse Guarantee. The program will be retroactively applied to current Converse students who qualify.

"At Converse we support our students throughout their educational experience so that they have the tools they need to achieve their goals both now and in the future," said Krista Newkirk, Converse President. "From research, to real-world experience, to personal guidance by our faculty, student life, and career advisement teams - Converse opens doors of opportunity for our students. The Converse Guarantee is our way of committing to our students as they commit to us."

The Converse Guarantee expands upon Converse's commitment to the affordability and accessibility of private, high-quality education. The institution <u>recently announced a tuition</u> <u>freeze</u> for the 2021-2022 academic year. In <u>2014 Converse reduced tuition</u> for its students by 43 percent, and its tuition is 53 percent below the national average for private schools.

For more information on the Converse Guarantee and eligibility requirements, visit https://www.converse.edu/converse-guarantee/

## About Converse College

Converse empowers students to become innovative, adaptable leaders who see clearly, decide wisely, and act justly. Converse was founded in 1889 by citizens of Spartanburg, SC who aimed to create an educational experience for women, and in fall 2020 it welcomed its first undergraduate co-educational incoming class. Converse students experience deep scholarship, transformative mentorship, experiential learning, and a wonderful support for and belief in each other. Through this unique formula, Converse is a creator of opportunity for its students through a personalized education that also includes the professional and technical skills graduates need to be successful in their careers. Effective July 1, 2021 Converse will acknowledge its university status under the name Converse University.

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