

His Eminence
Cardinal Turkson
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Your Eminence:

At this time, _____ (name of institution), makes a commitment to participate in Pope Francis' *7-Year Journey Towards Integral Ecology* and understands that the Vatican *Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development* will officially enroll our university in the *Journey* on October 4, 2021, the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi.

We understand that as a *Laudato Si' University*, we will chart our own course through the *Journey*, with the assistance of the *Laudato Si' Action Platform*. Over this next year we will gather a group of faculty, students, administrators, staff, and neighbors to develop a *Laudato Si' Action Plan* for our university that will integrally and boldly advance each of the *7 Laudato Si' Goals*:

- Respond to the Cry of the Earth
- Respond to the Cry of the Poor
- Foster Ecological Economics
- Adopt a Sustainable Lifestyle
- Offer Ecological Education
- Develop Ecological Spirituality
- Support Local Communities

We further understand that our university will annually report to the *Dicastery* on its progress and participate in communication with other universities on the *Journey* around the world. In Year 7, we will celebrate our accomplishments and those of our fellow universities and enjoy Pope Francis' formal recognition of our work as a *Laudato Si' University*.

We appreciate this opportunity to advance Pope Francis' powerful *Laudato Si'* message and are pleased to make this commitment.

President's signature

Print President's name

Date