

Resolution 013

A Resolution to Improve the Visual Design of Cardinal Station

Sponsored by: Senator Janssen

Co-Sponsored by: Senator Sinodinos, Senator Hermes

Whereas,

Cardinal Station serves as the central platform for accessing student information, academic services, student financial records, and administrative functions at The Catholic University of America.

Whereas,

Students rely on Cardinal Station for essential academic and administrative functions, and improving its usability will reduce confusion and increase efficiency in daily student operations.

Whereas,

The current Cardinal Station interface utilizes an outdated design framework that does not reflect contemporary usability standards for higher education administrative systems.¹

Whereas,

Peer institutions, including Georgetown University's MyAccess² and the University of Notre Dame's InsideND³, have adopted modern student information portals that offer cleaner dashboards, improved accessibility, and responsive design.

Whereas,

A visual redesign of Cardinal Station would enhance information discoverability, improve interface accessibility, and align the platform with current web design standards used across higher education.

Whereas,

Technology Services has confirmed that a redesign can be completed using existing infrastructure and budget, with minimal additional resources required.

Whereas,

Improving Cardinal Station's visual design does not require backend system replacement and can be implemented through existing Oracle/PeopleSoft customization tools.

Be it enacted that,

The Student Government Association Senate, acting in its official capacity as the representative of the undergraduate student body of The Catholic University of America, hereby requests that:

- The University prioritize the visual redesign of Cardinal Station to align the platform with contemporary web design standards.

¹ <https://technology.catholic.edu/resources/account.html>

² <https://guexperience.georgetown.edu>

³ <https://inside.nd.edu>

- Technology Services implement updated interface elements—including typography, color schemes, spacing, and graphical components—to ensure consistency and clarity across all user dashboards.
- Technology Services adopt simplified and intuitive navigational layouts to enhance the efficiency of locating academic, financial, and administrative information.
- Technology Services utilize existing University resources and capabilities where feasible to complete the redesign in a cost-efficient manner.

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

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