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Dear Neeraja,

Congratulations! On behalf of Vanderbilt University's Peabody College, I am writing to inform you that you have been granted admission to the master's program in Special Education. Your admission reflects your strong academic credentials, commitment to learning, fit with the mission of the Peabody community, and your breadth of impactful experiences. This offer of admission is for study in the department of Special Education beginning in Fall 2021.

I am pleased to offer you the Dean's Tuition Scholarship (DTS) which will cover 50% of your tuition for professional study at Vanderbilt University's Peabody College of education and human development. Please be sure to read more details about your award after the signature line of this letter.

To help you start envisioning your experience here in Nashville at Vanderbilt's Peabody College, I'd like to point out several aspects of the "Peabody Difference":

- First, Peabody College has a rich history and is recognized as one of the [top Graduate Schools of Education and Human Development](#) in the nation.
- Second, faculty prioritize student mentorship and teaching, while [conducting advanced research](#) in their fields. Findings from research will inform your studies.
- Third, [Peabody Career Services](#) partners with students to achieve their desired initial career goal. Last year, 97% of graduate professional students were employed in their area of expertise within six months of graduation.
- Fourth, you will be part of a community of students and [alumni](#) where excellence is the norm.
- Last, [Nashville](#) is one of the fastest-growing cities in the United States, with a diverse and growing local economy, creating many partnerships and employment opportunities for the Vanderbilt community.

Long ranked as the top special education program in the nation by U.S. News & World Report, the Special Education Program has a reputation for teaching, conducting groundbreaking research, establishing innovative practices, and developing widely used methods. You'll be part of a community working to improve the lives of children and youth with disabilities. Your program director is Professor Alexandra Da Fonte (alexandra.dafonte@vanderbilt.edu).

You have been admitted into the Early Childhood program area. Adviser placement and possible funding opportunities within the Department of Special Education will be provided in a later email.

Please mark your calendar for a virtual admitted student event, March 26, 2021. The event, which is optional, is designed for you to get a better look at Vanderbilt University's Peabody College and your program. More information will be sent via email in early March. We hope you will choose to join us!

We ask that you respond to this offer of admission by April 15, 2021 using the online Student Response Form at the top of your [application status page](#). Acceptance of this offer signifies that you have read and agree to comply with all your scholarship [terms and conditions](#). Furthermore, accepting this award requires

payment of a \$250 non-refundable tuition deposit. The deposit will secure your place in the incoming class and will be credited to your student account and applied to your tuition upon enrollment. Your acceptance of admission is not complete until this deposit is paid. Please visit the [Admitted Students Website](#) for important information, including an [enrollment checklist](#), about your offer of admission.

The Peabody community holds in deep regard the safety and integrity of all on our campus. As such, should you accept this offer of admission you agree to undergo a [criminal background check](#) before classes begin and to abide by the [Peabody Honor Code](#). If you have any questions or concerns about these, please contact Peabody Graduate Admissions at peabody.admissions@vanderbilt.edu.

Again, congratulations! You are an impressive candidate and I very much hope you will accept our offer of admission. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Director of Graduate Admissions, Kim Brazil (kim.brazil@vanderbilt.edu), your Admissions Coordinator, or your Program Director. We look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,



Camilla P. Benbow, Ed.D.

Patricia and Rodes Hart Dean of Education and Human Development
Vanderbilt University Peabody College

Details about your award:

- Your DTS will be credited to your student account at the beginning of each semester, including summers.
- No minimum enrollment is required; however, you will want to complete your program of study before the three year award expires.
- These awards will cover the minimum number of hours for your degree as stated in the University catalog. Withdrawal may result in forfeiture of the award. Please be sure to read the [Scholarship Information, Terms, and Conditions](#) page on the Peabody website and know that your acceptance of the award indicates your acknowledgement and understanding of the information outlined on that page.
- Part or all of your scholarships may be provided through the generosity of one or more of our donors. You may be contacted by the Offices of Stewardship and/or Donor Relations in Development and Alumni Relations (DAR), if this is the case.
- These scholarships apply to tuition only and do not include other costs which may be viewed on the [Tuition and Fees](#) page on our website.
- Resources for additional funding, including federal student aid, are available on our [Financing Your Education](#) webpage.
- If you receive an additional award or tuition benefit from Vanderbilt University, please inform us at Peabody.financialaid@vanderbilt.edu In some cases, an additional award could supersede your DTS.