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The Top-Ranked USC Sol Price School of Public Policy Partners with 2U, Inc. to Offer Online Graduate Degrees in Urban Planning and Public Policy

LOS ANGELES and LANHAM, Md., Nov. 7, 2017 /PRNewswire/ -- 2U, Inc. (NASDAQ: TWOU), recently announced a new partnership with the University of Southern California Sol Price School of Public Policy to offer two online graduate degrees for professionals across the country. Combined, these degrees will constitute a new Domestic Graduate Program (DGP) in the Public Administration vertical for 2U.

USC Price will offer a Master of Planning (MPL@USC) delivered online. With more than half of the global population living in cities, there is growing demand for creative and knowledgeable urban planning professionals. The planning curriculum will integrate theory and practice, and draw on the other core disciplines at USC Price including public policy, administration and real estate. MPL@USC is expected to launch in January 2019.

The partnership also includes an online Master of Public Policy (MPP@USC). Through an interdisciplinary curriculum, students will develop "knowledge in action" through analytical and theoretical competencies combined with immersive experiential learning. MPP@USC is expected to launch in 2020.

Ranked fourth among public affairs schools by *U.S. News & World Report*, USC Price places in the top 1.5 percent of nearly 300 schools of public affairs nationwide.

"USC Price is committed to improving communities here and abroad," said Jack H. Knott, dean of the USC Sol Price School of Public Policy. "We recognize that present-day challenges can only be met by leaders who can think broadly and work collaboratively. Our online programs will allow us to reach a larger group of students with their own intellectual curiosity and far-reaching ambition, where diverse ideas from varying locations and backgrounds will contribute to real-world problem solving and tangible solutions."

About USC Sol Price School of Public Policy

The mission of the USC Sol Price School of Public Policy is to improve the quality of life for people and their communities, here and abroad. We achieve this mission through education and research that promote innovative solutions to the most critical issues facing society. Over the past 85 years, the USC Sol Price School of Public Policy has earned the public trust by creating path-breaking research and scholarship. We believe it is our ethical responsibility to continue serving our global community at the highest level of excellence.

About 2U, Inc. (NASDAQ:TWOU)

2U partners with great colleges and universities to build what we believe is the world's best digital education. Our platform provides a comprehensive fusion of technology, services and data architecture to transform high-quality and rigorous campus-based universities into the best digital versions of themselves. 2U's No Back Row® approach allows qualified students and working professionals around the world to experience a first-rate university education and successful outcomes. To learn more, visit 2U.com.

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