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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 23, 2009 1:36 PM  
**To:** negreg09  
**Subject:** Education Department - DOE's 34 CFR Chapter VI Rulemaking

Dear Department of Education,

I am a student taking graduate courses via Ashford University's online program and I am submitting my comments in regards to the DOE's 34 CFR Chapter VI Negotiated Rulemaking. I would like to provide my experience in regards to the online program at Ashford and encourage you to take my email into consideration in your deliberations.

I truly have a positive experience with Ashford from the Admission's process to the actual courses that I have and are taking. The quality of the courses is above reproach. Having already received a Masters Degree earlier, I wanted to change my major; therefore, I am pursuing a second Masters from Ashford University. The knowledge that I have gained has been invaluable. I have learned so much and am still learning. The information contained in these courses is some that I will not only use now, in that I am already working, but is something I will continue to use in the future.

The tuition is very reasonable and the personnel all are willing to help. Online courses are so important to individuals, like me, who want to move forward in life but cannot afford to quit work. The program is accredited and I am able to participate in an accelerated program. Being 60 years old, I do not need to be in a program that will prolong my retirement. This program allows me the opportunity to get my education while I am continuing to work. Even when I retire, I will still work part-time and having received my degree will definitely be beneficial.

I hope that your rulemaking will allow future students the opportunity to have the same access, as I have had and do have, to an Ashford University education.

Sincerely,

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