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To: Dr. Christopher Claus, Department Chair
Dr. Marcy Chvasta, Assistant Professor
Dr. Greg Jacquay, Lecturer

From: Kimberly Greer, Provost & Vice President for Academic Affairs

RE: Communications Studies Academic Program Review

Thank you for joining me to discuss the Academic Program Review for the Communications Studies program. It was very informative to read your comprehensive self-study and to talk with you about the future of your B.A. program. I also appreciate your review of, and revisions to, the program's seven-year implementation plan.

I commend you and your department colleagues for your strong commitment to student learning and success. That commitment is clearly demonstrated by your ongoing involvement with curriculum development, the numerous scholarly distinctions and achievements earned by your faculty, and the high levels of student engagement exhibit through experiential learning. I was also impressed by the faculty's dedication to assessment to continuously improve your program, particularly the alignment of your PLOs with the WSCUC Core Competencies. During our APR meeting, I was excited to learn more about your vision for the Speech Capture program and the experiential learning occurring in KCSS. This innovative approach makes sense as it will provide an even wider array of opportunities for your students. It was helpful for me to learn more about the need for space that is conducive to student learning to help develop and sustain this project. That is an issue your dean and I will continue to work with you to address. Finally, my notes also indicate your goal to add a Computer Mediated Communication specialist to the faculty.

The result of this Academic Program Review is that your program is approved for continuance with unqualified support. I encourage you to continue to assess program and learning outcomes in ways that will help make meaningful improvements for students.

Again, I extend my sincere appreciation for the opportunity to meet with you and discuss your self-study and implementation plan. I look forward to working with you in the future and supporting your vision for Communications Studies at Stan State.

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