

October 24, 2016

Dr Nader Mobed, Professor and Department Head  
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Dear Dr Mobed:

**Re: Academic Unit Review**

Thank you for meeting with us on Thursday, September 22, 2016 to review the Unit Report and give us your preliminary verbal response. The exchange was fruitful and we hope that any initial impressions you received from us at the meeting will be useful as you craft your unit's written response to the report.

While we do not want the written response to repeat at length the material already in the Self Study, we would appreciate if your written response would touch upon the following areas, taken from the Academic Unit Review Operations Manual (OPS-130-005):

These reviews will focus on the following areas:

- the priorities and aspirations of each unit and the extent to which they are being realized
- the challenges and opportunities faced by the unit
- the structure and quality of undergraduate and graduate programs and instruction
- the contribution of each program to related disciplines and fields of study
- the scope and significance of research being pursued
- the degree to which academic programs meet students' learning needs and goals
- the characteristics of staffing complements
- the degree to which the unit is meeting its internal and external service responsibilities
- the role the unit plays in meeting the University's vision, mission, goals and priorities
- the financial resources of the unit

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In particular, we hope your written response will provide:

- an elaboration on any report recommendations your unit disagrees with
- an itemized list of what actions your unit will take to implement the report's findings

We look forward to your unit's formal written response.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Allen Herman". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Dr Allen Herman, Chair  
Council Committee on Academic Mission