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Dr. Renata Raina-Fulton, Head  
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Re: 5 – Year Academic Unit Review Follow-up

Dear Dr. Raina-Fulton:

Thank you for attending the April 5th, 2023 meeting of the Council Committee on Academic Mission (CCAM) and providing us with an update on your academic unit's implementation of recommendations from its 2018 Academic Unit Review.

We were impressed by the significant progress made on many fronts, particularly in adding faculty strength in areas of need and improving the management of in-demand undergraduate courses. We note with some satisfaction the strong enrolment growth in key undergraduate offerings, and congratulate you on managing the equipment upgrade represented by the recent installation of your new 400 MHz NMR.

In light of difficulties meeting student demand for key courses, we strongly encourage your unit to continue looking for ways to deliver such classes in other than traditional on-campus modalities. We feel that online offerings, in particular, are worthy of further consideration and development so as to facilitate needed course delivery both to your own students and those you serve in other programs. Additionally, we urge you to continue working toward more regularized graduate course offerings so that graduate students in Chemistry and Biochemistry are less dependent on variable directed-reading instruction.

Congratulations on the progress you have made to date. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or require any assistance.

Sincerely,



Dr. David Gregory,  
Interim Provost and Vice-President (Academic)



Dr. D. Marcel DeCoste  
Acting Chair, Council Committee on Academic  
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cc: Dr. Nilgün Önder, Associate Vice-President (Academic)  
Dr. Douglas Farenick, Dean Faculty of Science