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Re: Verbal response to External Review

Dear Associate Professor Ghiglione,

Thank you for meeting with CCAM colleagues on October 3<sup>rd</sup> to discuss the External Reviewers' Report and provide us with your preliminary response. Your comments to the committee regarding the review was very helpful, and it is our hope the discussion will be useful as you craft your written response to the report. My apologies for a very delayed response to a very positive discussion.

The next step of the process is for the Department to prepare a response to CCAM and the Provost's Office. We ask for the following considerations in the preparation of your response.

- 1) Please comment on each of the external reviewer recommendations. This should highlight on any of the report recommendations your unit disagrees with and the rationale for the same, and include a workplan outlining the actions your unit will take to implement the report's findings.
- 2) Please comment on the areas of focus as noted in the Academic Unit Review Operations Manual (OPS-130-005). Specifically:
  - “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"

3) Please comment on how the department is aligning with the University of Regina's overarching areas of emphasis, Indigenization and Sustainability.

The committee looks forward to meeting with the unit next year to discuss the health of the unit and for an update on the Department's progress on each of the reviewer's recommendations.

In four years time it is anticipated that the unit will submit a final update to CCAM demonstrating the achievements of the unit as a result of the Academic Unit Review process.

Sincerely,



Jim Farney, Chair  
Council Committee on Academic Mission

cc: Dr. Thomas Chase, Provost and Vice-President Academic  
Ms. Rae Staseson, Dean, Faculty of Media, Art and Performance