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Office of the Vice-President (Academic)  
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Dr. David Close  
Interim Head  
Department of Political Science

Dear Dr. Close: *David*

The Planning and Budget Committee (PBC) considered the academic program review of the Department of Political Science at its December 9<sup>th</sup>, 2009 meeting and wishes to express its appreciation to the Department for its participation in this process. They wish to commend the Department on a job well done.

The primary purpose of formal Academic Program Reviews is to give units an opportunity to engage in formative self-assessment and to obtain the advantages of commentary and advice from experts from the disciplines under review. An anticipated outcome is planning that clarifies how a unit may best achieve its objectives with its available resources. From the perspective of the University, the process also provides a measure of accountability to the institution and to the public that support us.

The next step in the process is the completion of a one year update which is intended to be a progress report on the implementation of the action plan.

On behalf of PBC, I offer my support and that of the Committee as you plan for the future. We look forward to seeing your one year update in December, 2010.

Yours sincerely,

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Vice-President (Academic) and Pro Vice-Chancellor Pro Tempore

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