February 25, 2015

Chair Steven Carlip  
Faculty Executive Committee  
College of Letters and Science

RE: Cognitive Science Major Establishment Proposal

The Undergraduate Council (UGC) has reviewed the updated proposal for establishment of a Cognitive Science Major which included an email from Nina Amenta, Chair of Computer Science, addressing the concerns expressed by Undergraduate Council regarding the requirement and lack of availability of a required major course. Chair Amenta’s email expressed her confidence that students will be able to enroll in the required courses. Therefore, the BS in Cognitive Science is now approved, but with the requirement that a report be presented to UGC within 1-2 years regarding students’ ability to get into required courses. VPUE Carolyn Thomas has committed to providing this report.

By copy of this memo to Vice Provost Thomas, I confirm that the Davis Division has completed its review; thus transferring responsibility to the Vice Provost’s Office to coordinate review by the Council of Deans and Vice Chancellors if necessary.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey Williams  
Chair, Undergraduate Council

Cc: André Knoesen, Chair, Davis Division Academic Senate  
    Gina Anderson, Executive Director, Davis Division Academic Senate  
    Carolyn Thomas, Vice Provost, Undergraduate Education  
    George R. Mangun, Dean, Social Sciences