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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Executive Committee of the Academic Council

Sally Kornbluth, Provost and Jo Rae Wright University Professor FROM:

DATE: April 9, 2018

Population Health Sciences degree programs – APC resolution RE:

I am pleased to attach the Academic Programs Committee resolution on the proposal to develop a master's and a PhD degree in Population Health Sciences. The proposal underwent thorough review by the Masters Advisory Council, Executive Committee of the Graduate Faculty (three visits) and APC (two visits). Initially, there was disagreement between APC and ECGF about whether the department should start with a master's or PhD degree. The department administrators provided additional documentation and returned to APC for a second visit on April 4 to address APC's questions. In addition to the proposal and resolution, the Department of Population Health Sciences' response to APC's initial resolution is also attached.

As you will see, the resolution includes recommendations from APC, and we believe the department will be receptive to them.

We were fortunate that Andrew Janiak was in attendance for the discussion so he can provide additional details at your meeting on April 11.

Please contact me if you have any questions. Thank you.

Steffen Bass cc:

> Hayden Bosworth Lesley Curtis Jennifer Francis Paula McClain