



Dr. Christine Horne
Chair, Faculty Senate
Washington State University
Pullman campus

Spokane, 12 February 2023

Dear Christine,

Thank you for the opportunity to respond to questions about our proposed undergraduate program in Pharmaceutical and Medical Sciences.

Becky Bitter asked me to address four areas:

1. Alignment of our proposed undergraduate program with our strategic plans;
2. Effect of the proposed program on hiring plans of CPPS and ESFCOM;
3. Effect of the proposed program on enrollments of CPPS and ESFCOM; and
4. Impact of the proposed program on Pullman-based programs in SMB and CAS

I have addressed all these areas in the attached document, but I did so without the advantage of knowing anything about the concerns of the single SMB faculty member, now over two weeks since those concerns were raised. So, I made some guesses and picked eight of our courses (out of the 18 new classes we created) to differentiate our proposed classes from course offerings by SMB. I request the courtesy of having the opportunity to respond to specific concerns of the single SMB faculty member if/when those concerns materialize.

I find no overlap of our proposed program with any course or program offered by CAS. However, again, I have been given no specific information regarding concerns of CAS about our proposed program in the 2+ weeks since a concern of duplicity was raised by a faculty senator from CAS. So, I made some guesses here, as well.

Finally, I request to be present at the upcoming Faculty Senate meeting on 16 February and able to respond to any concerns brought forth about our program. I will be traveling to the East coast that day but should be at my destination in time to attend the meeting via zoom, if the airline cooperates.

Thank you for considering our proposal. Please do not hesitate to contact me for any reason.

Yours sincerely,

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