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Professor Peter Lange
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Dear Peter,

I am writing to inform you of action taken by a vote at the October 21st meeting of the Academic Program Committee (after discussion at the September 21st and October 7th meetings) regarding the proposal for a **Master of Management in Clinical Informatics** degree. The committee voted unanimously to approve the new program as described in the proposal document dated September 3, 2009, with the following requests for elaboration. The committee was convinced this new degree program would serve an important training function within the wider context of the university's goals and societal needs in a fast-changing area. However, we request that the proposers add a few sentences dealing explicitly with three issues: (1) the attention that will be paid to assuring that students who enter the program with English as a second language acquire sufficient proficiency to function within the program and as a capable graduate of it; (2) the attention that will be paid to bioethics throughout the coursework in the program; and (3) the role of technical content to which students will be exposed during their training in the management and application of this technology. After you add a brief clarification of these issues, the proposal will be referred to ECAC and Academic Council for discussion.

Thank you for the opportunity to participate in the review process.

Sincerely,



Lynn Smith-Lovin
Robert L. Wilson Professor of Sociology
Chair, Academic Programs Committee

cc: Kevin Schulman
Bill Boulding
John Simon
Sharon Peters