COMMITTEE ON EDUCATIONAL POLICY

November 14, 2022

To: Sang-Hee Lee, Chair
    Riverside Division

From: Lorenzo Mangolini, Chair
      Committee on Educational Policy

RE: Revised Proposal for Department of Society, Environment, and Health Equity (SEHE)

The Committee on Educational Policy (CEP) reviewed the revised proposal for the Department of Society, Environment, and Health Equity (SEHE) at their November 4, 2022 meeting. Five members of the Committee voted to support the proposal while four members voted against the proposal, one member abstained, and four members were not present for the vote. Members in favor of the proposal highlighted the potential of the SEHE Department to attract students. Members who voted against the proposal expressed concerns about whether dedicating new staff and faculty resources to this department in the current budgetary environment would negatively impact undergraduate education by depriving existing departments in CHASS of necessary resources. They recommended instead that the program be developed as an interdisciplinary program.