



April 23, 2026

TO: Kenneth N. Barish, Chair, Academic Senate, UCR Division

FROM: Harry Tom, Chair, Faculty Executive Committee, College of Natural and Agricultural Sciences

SUBJECT: [Campus Review] Proposal: Master of Science in Taxation (MST) - SSGPDP

Prof. Barish,

The CNAS Faculty Executive Committee has reviewed the proposal for the Geographic Information Systems and Public Policy B.S. Degree at the April 14th meeting.

The committee's only comment is that there is a general issue, in principle, with this degree being classified as a master of science, when there isn't actually a research component being completed to obtain the degree.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Harry Tom'.

Harry Tom, Ph.D
Chair, Faculty Executive Committee, College of Natural and Agricultural Sciences