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To: Randy Smith
Vice Provost, Office of Academic Affairs (OAA)

This letter expresses the College of Engineering's support for the proposed undergraduate degree in Data Analytics. This is an exciting new program that will attract quality students to the university and continue our climb to eminence. As such, we feel that this new degree fits into the university's strategic vision and discovery themes. Consequently, the College of Engineering will help lead the support request for Data Analytics as a cross-cutting element in the Discovery Themes. Two of our departments, Computer Science & Engineering and Integrated Systems Engineering, will be integral to the success of the degree program and we are committed to helping them establish themselves in this area.

We look forward to collaborating with our partners in Arts & Sciences, Business, and Medicine in this new endeavor.

Sincerely,

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