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W. Randy Smith  
Vice Provost for Academic Affairs  
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Dear Randy,

I am pleased to submit for your consideration a proposal to convert the quarter-system program, Bachelor of Science in Vision Science, to a semester-system program. This converted program retains the combination curriculum of the quarter-system program. Arts and Sciences students will complete all undergraduate major and general education courses in the first three years, and complete the fourth year of the undergraduate degree enrolled in the first year of the Doctor of Optometry (O.D.) program in the College of Optometry.

Through the continued collaboration between the Colleges of Arts and Sciences and of Optometry, the Vision Science program provides an opportunity for students to complete the O.D. program in six, rather than seven, years. I appreciate your consideration of the proposal, which I strongly endorse.

Sincerely,

David Manderscheid  
Executive Dean and Vice Provost  
College of Arts and Sciences