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Dear Dean Earley and Ms. Haltom,

Over the last several months, ASC Assistant Dean Deborah Haddad and Assistant Director of Advising Brenda Dinan (both here cc'd) have communicated with Ms. Haltom about the necessity to convert the Vision Science B.S.

On Thursday, November 19, the Natural and Mathematical Sciences (NMS) Panel of the ASC Curriculum Committee reviewed a proposal to convert this program.

Given the obvious link of this ASC major with the College of Optometry, the NMS Panel has asked that the following points be communicated to you:

- The College of Optometry should remove reference to the Vision Science B.S. from its website until this program is approved. The program does not exist at this time for new students and, thus, cannot be advertised according to the Ohio Department of Higher Education. See http://optometry.osu.edu/currentstudents/concurrent_registration.cfm
- Could the College of Optometry provide an official letter explaining the need for this undergraduate program, including a rationale for why the courses are included in the Vision Science B.S.? This letter will be added to the conversion proposal.
- Might there be a better way to transition students into the fourth year (all Vision Science graduate courses) when they are in their third year?
- Might you or another representative from the College of Optometry be available to come to one of our next NMS Panel meetings (Dec. 3 or Dec. 17, 11:30AM-1PM in 110 Denney Hall)? The Panel would welcome an in-person meeting.

I am including the faculty Chair of the NMS Panel, Professor Peter Craigmile, on this e-mail.

Please let us know if you have any questions.

Best regards,
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