Date: March 9, 2020

To: Cathy Sandeen, Chancellor

From: John Stalvey, Interim Provost

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Re: AY20 Expedited Program Review Findings – Economics BA

I have reviewed the dean’s findings, the program’s response to the dean’s findings, and the completed Expedited Program Review Template for the Economics BA.

**Recommendations**

My recommendation is to accept the decision and recommendations of the dean with the additional commentary that the program focus assignment of fulltime faculty resources to meet the sufficiency requirements for specialized accreditation, establish a course rotation to optimize fulltime faculty, reduce the number of sections taught per year, and focus on courses required for accredited business programs. An interim progress report on all recommendations is due to the dean by March 1, 2021. The dean will submit a review along with the program’s interim progress report to the provost by April 1, 2021. Unless otherwise noted at that time, the next Program Review will be included in the regular ongoing program review schedule.

**Decision**

Recommend Continuation