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Dear President Assanis, Provost Grasso, and Senior Vice Provost Ardis:

Attached is an electronic copy of a final report titled the University of Delaware Council of Graduate Schools Strategic Consultation Report. The report offers recommendations for advancing graduate education at the University of Delaware based on a comprehensive review conducted by Dr. Lisa A. Tedesco, Vice Provost for Academic Affairs and Dean of the Laney Graduate School at Emory University; and Dr. Steve Matson, Dean of the Graduate School at the University of North Carolina Chapel Hill on May 17, 18, and 19, 2017.

I extend a personal thank you to you and to your constituents including students, faculty, staff, and administrators who welcomed Deans Tedesco and Matson to your campus and shared their views and perspectives toward the goal of advancing graduate study at the University. Use this report as a pathway for continuing to make the University of Delaware the institution of choice among students who seek premier programs of graduate study aligned with your mission and goals. Contact me if I can provide additional support. It was an honor to have members of Council’s most well-respected deans engage with you to advance graduate education and research.

Sincerely,

Robert M. Augustine
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