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December 3, 2018

Dear Curriculum Committee,

I am writing in support of the proposal for a Microbiology Graduate Program that has been developed by a faculty working group representing five Colleges at the University of Delaware: Agriculture & Natural Resources, Arts & Sciences, Earth, Ocean & Environment, Engineering, and Health Sciences. The College of Arts & Sciences is pleased to offer its full support to this proposal and will commit one year of student support per year to the Microbiology Graduate Program for the program's five-year provisional period.

The proposed program represents a critical area of research in the 21st century. It builds on strengths at the University of Delaware and promises to attract excellent students who have an interest in approaching microbiology from an interdisciplinary perspective. This program will allow us to effectively leverage other investments that we are making, such as faculty growth in the Department of Biological Sciences and planning for the replacement of McKinly Lab.

The program will be an excellent interdisciplinary option for both students and faculty. Please keep me updated on the progress of this proposal to the University of Delaware Faculty Senate.

Sincerely,

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Estella Atekwana, Ph.D.
Dean



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4 December 2018

Nicole Donofrio, PhD
Associate Professor, Plant Pathology
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Dear Dr. Donofrio,

I am writing in support of the proposal for a Microbiology Graduate Program that has been developed by the faculty working group representing five Colleges at the University of Delaware: Agriculture & Natural Resources, Arts & Sciences, Earth, Ocean & Environment, Engineering, and Health Sciences. The College of Health Sciences is pleased to offer its full support to this proposal and will commit one year of student support per year to the Microbiology Graduate Program for the program's first three years of its five-year provisional period.

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Sincerely,

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Kathleen S. Matt, PhD
Dean, College of Health Sciences
ksmatt@udel.edu

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John A. Pelesko
Dean and Professor

December 3, 2018

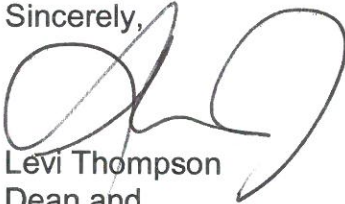
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Sincerely,

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Levi Thompson
Dean and

Elizabeth Inez Kelley Professor of Chemical Engineering



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Mark Rieger
Dean and Professor



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November 27, 2018

Dear Drs. Maresca and Donofrio,

The Department of Chemistry & Biochemistry fully supports your efforts in the development of the new Master's and Ph.D. degree programs in the area of Microbiology. We welcome students from the new programs to take courses within our department that fall within your curriculum. Specifically, students will be allowed to enroll in the CHEM 641, Biochemistry.

We are very excited to be a part of this initiative, and we look forward to seeing Microbiology students in our classroom. We wish you great success.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Brian J. Bahnson'.

Brian J. Bahnson, Ph.D.
Professor and Chair of the Department of Chemistry & Biochemistry

November 26, 2018

Dear Drs. Maresca and Donofrio,

The Department of Medical and Molecular Sciences fully supports your efforts in the development of the new interdisciplinary Master's and Ph.D. degree programs in the area of Microbiology. We welcome students from the new programs to take courses within our department that fall within your curriculum.

Specifically, students will be allowed to enroll in the following courses:

MEDT 650 *Medical Biochemistry*

MEDT 690 *Clinical and Molecular Cell Biology*

We are very excited to be a part of this initiative and we look forward to seeing Microbiology students in the classroom. We wish you great success.



Esther Biswas-Fiss, Ph.D., MB(ASCP)^{CM}
and Chair, Department of Medical and Molecular Sciences

cc: Dean, College of Health Sciences
Diana Levering, Academic Support Coordinator, MMSC
Samuel Wilson, College of Health Sciences Chief Business Officer



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FROM: Professor E. Fidelma Boyd, Interim Chair

RE: New Master's and Ph.D. degree programs in Microbiology, Letter of Support

December 4th, 2018

Dear Drs Maresca and Donofrio,

The Department of Biological Sciences fully supports your efforts in the development of the new Master's and Ph.D. degree programs in Microbiology.

We welcome students from the new programs to take courses within our department that fall within your curriculum.

Specifically, students will be allowed to enroll in the following course:

BISC850 Advanced Topics in Biology

The department looks forward to the new program's success.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "F. Boyd".

E. Fidelma Boyd
Professor and Interim Chair



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November 26, 2018

Dear Drs. Maresca and Donofrio,

The Department of Plant and Soil Sciences fully supports your efforts in the development of the new Master's and Ph.D. degree programs in the area of Microbiology. We welcome students from the new programs to take courses within our department that fall within your curriculum. Specifically, students will be allowed to enroll in the following three courses:

PLSC 619 Soil Microbiology
PLSC 611 Molecular Plant Pathology
PLSC811 Current Topics in Microbiology

We are very excited to be a part of this initiative and we look forward to seeing Microbiology students in the classroom. We wish you great success.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Erik Ervin'.

Erik Ervin, Ph.D.
Chair and Professor



Department of Chemical
& Biomolecular Engineering

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December 3, 2018

Dear Prof. Maresca and Prof. Donofrio:

The Department of Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering fully supports your efforts in the development of the new Master's and Ph.D. degree programs in the area of Microbiology. We welcome students from the new programs to take courses within our department that fall within your curriculum. Specifically, students will be allowed to enroll in the following courses:

CHEG420: Biochemical Engineering
CHEG621: Metabolic Engineering

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Sincerely,

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Eric M. Furst
Professor and Department Chair

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November 26, 2018

Dear Drs. Maresca and Donofrio,

The Department of Animal and Food Sciences fully supports your efforts in the development of the new Master's and Ph.D. degree programs in the area of Microbiology. We welcome students from the new programs to take courses within our department that fall within your curriculum. Specifically, students will be allowed to enroll in the following two courses:

ANFS 635 Animal Virology
ANFS 636 Immunology of Domestic Animals
ANFS 639 Food Microbiology
ANFS 649 Food Biotechnology
ANFS 655 Gut Microbiome
ANFS 671 Paradigms in Cell Signaling

We are very excited to be a part of this initiative and we look forward to seeing Microbiology students in the classroom. We wish you great success.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Limin Kung, Jr.", written on a light-colored background.

Limin Kung, Jr., Ph.D.
Professor and Chairperson



Department of Civil and Environmental
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Newark, Delaware 19716

November 26, 2018

Dear Drs. Maresca and Donofrio,

The Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering fully supports your efforts in the development of the new Master's and Ph.D. degree programs in the area of Microbiology. We welcome students from the new programs to take courses within our department that fall within your curriculum.

Specifically, students will be allowed to enroll in CIEG644 Microbiology of Engineered Systems.

We are very excited to be a part of this initiative and we look forward to seeing Microbiology students in the classroom. We wish you great success.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Sue McNeil".

Sue McNeil, Ph.D. Chair and Professor



College of Earth, Ocean,
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SCHOOL OF MARINE SCIENCE & POLICY

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November 26, 2018

Dear Drs. Maresca and Donofrio,

On behalf of the School of Marine Science and Policy, I fully supports your efforts in the development of the new Master's and Ph.D. degree programs in the area of Microbiology. We welcome students from the new programs to take courses within our department that fall within your curriculum.

Specifically, students will be allowed to enroll in the following courses, which support your program:

MAST625: Microbial Physiology and Diversity

MAST626: Microbial Genetics and Genomics

MAST616: Methods in Molecular Biology

MAST634: Marine Molecular Science

We are very excited to be a part of this initiative and we look forward to seeing Microbiology students in the classroom. We wish you great success.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mark A. Moline'.

Mark A. Moline
Director, School of Marine Science and Policy