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Denise Lach
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Dear Dr. Lach:

Thank you for sharing with me the plans of the College of Liberal Arts and the School of Public Policy at Oregon State University to create a new Bachelor of Science, Public Policy (BSPP) degree. Upon review this represents an exciting new program in the growing overall field of public policy and manifests substantial interdisciplinary collaboration within the program and its curriculum. Without question, the need in our society for leaders and effective practitioners in public policy has never been greater.

Portland State and our College of Public Affairs have greatly appreciated collaborative work in the overall field of public policy with OSU. In particular, we appreciated support in the development of our Master of Public Policy Degree which will soon enter its third year of enrollment.

Our College appreciates this new OSU program as another important contribution to public policy education in Oregon. I see no issues or questions of duplication here. We look forward to continued collaboration with you and are open to the potential for students in our undergraduate program in Urban and Public Affairs to consider courses offered in your new undergraduate program if that is appropriate and feasible.

Best wishes in moving forward with this new program.

Sincerely,

Stephen L. Percy
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Professor, Department of Political Science.