

April 29, 2019

## **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

Academic Senate Executive Committee

FROM:

University Graduate Committee

Chair, Marilyn Wilson MW

RE:

Approval of Proposal for Masters in Construction Management

MSC: 4/9/19. The UGC unanimously agrees to support the proposal for a new

Master's Program in Construction Management.

This program is proposed by the Lyles College of Engineering, with joint coursework from the Craig School of Business. The program is designed to develop skills for middle management positions. It would be the second campus in the CSU system to offer this degree and the only one in the Central Valley. Surveys of employers and prospective students suggested a need for a Masters in Construction Management.

The proposal appears well-thought out. The author of the proposal, Dr. Vivien Luo, and the chair of the department, Brad Hyatt, clearly explained how prerequisites for the business courses and for non-construction majors would be met. The majority of the program will be face-to-face initially. The program appears to have adequate support from administration and industry.

The attached proposal addressed minor concerns with the SOAP and changes in courses indicated by the Graduate Curriculum Committee.

CC: Robert Harper, Interim Provost
James Marshall, Dean of Research and Graduate Studies
Christopher Meyer, Dean of Science and Mathematics
Bradley Hyatt, Chair, Department of Construction Management
Vivien Luo, Proposal author