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MEMORANDUM

Date: February 24, 2020

To: Dr. Kathryn Forbes, Coordinator
Women's Studies Program

From: Dr. Michelle DenBeste, Dean
College of Social Sciences 

Dr. Yoshiko Takahashi, Interim Associate Dean
College of Social Sciences

Subject: Reclassification request from the Women's Studies program to
the Department of Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies

I am writing in support of the reclassification request from the Women's Studies program to the Department of Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies. The Women's Studies Program at Fresno State is one of the first of its kind in California, whereby it holds a rich history of exploring gender and its intersections with sexuality, race, ethnicity, class, nationality, disability, and age. I am thankful for the faculty in the program as they exemplify the program's commitment to the students and the campus community and beyond. I look for the Department to continue to thrive and draw more majors, double majors and minors.

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