

Memorandum

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To: Martin Bunch, Chair, ASCP

From: Lisa Philipps, Provost & Vice-President Academic

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Subject: response to external review of BASc Honours in Digital Technologies program

I have reviewed the report of the external reviewers for the BASc in Digital Technologies and the response of the program proponents and am satisfied that Lassonde School of Engineering has robustly addressed the comments of the reviewers. Indeed, the thorough notes of the review panel have allowed for improvements to the program which will undoubtedly serve well the interests of future students, faculty and staff in this Markham Campus program.

These resourcing clarifications address support for students, the designation of teaching-stream faculty in this program as Learning Skills Coordinators – to work in tandem with Learning Skills Tutors to ensure strong student support for the academic components of the degree – and an updated faculty and staff complement plan for Lassonde’s programs at Markham Campus. These refinements to the program proposal are appropriate in scope and further demonstrate the Dean’s commitment to the strength and viability of this new undergraduate degree offering.

I eagerly await the opening of the University’s Markham Campus and the arrival of the first cohort of students for the BASc in Digital Technologies in 2023.

