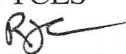


MEMO

To: Carlos Vélez-Ibáñez, Chair, TCLS
From: Robert Joe Cutter, Director 
Date: April 7, 2009
Re: PhD

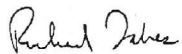
I know that this is arriving later than requested, but for various reasons it took longer to review the proposal than one might have wished. I sincerely hope that you will still find this letter useful as the degree progresses through committees. SILC is pleased to support the proposal, and I wish you every success with it.

3/18/09

Dear Carlos:

I am writing to give my support to your proposal to establish a doctoral program in Transborder Studies. The curriculum is unique, interdisciplinary, and flexible and I believe it will be attractive to some of our students. The design of the curriculum resonates with many of the new initiatives at ASU and I am sure it will bring visibility to your program. I am also certain that several of our faculty will be interested in participating in this new degree program. I will work with you and your faculty to ensure the success of your PhD.

In summary, I am strongly supportive of your effort to develop this new doctoral degree program.



Richard Fabes, Director
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