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August 3, 2012

# PROVOST AND EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT AIMÉE DORR

**Re:** Proposed Masters of Professional Accountancy (M.P.Ac.)

Dear Aimée:

I am transmitting the Academic Council's support for establishing Masters of Professional Accountancy (M.P.Ac.) as a degree title at the UC Irvine, as recommended by the Coordinating Committee on Graduate Affairs (CCGA). Senate Bylaw 125.B.7, empowers Council to approve establishment of new degrees if the Assembly of the Academic Senate is not scheduled to convene within 60 days of the Coordinating Committee on Graduate Affair's (CCGA's) recommendation.

Sincerely,

Robert M. Anderson

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Cc: President Yudof

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July 24, 2012

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#### Provost Dorr:

I concur with the faculty of the UC Irvine Paul Merage School of Business, and with our Divisional Senate leadership, that the degree title in our May 2012 proposal for an MA in Accounting be changed to an M.P.Ac. (Master of Professional Accountancy).

Sincerely,

Susan V. Bryant, Ph.D.

Interim Executive Vice Chancellor and Provost

#### Attachments

C: Robert Anderson, Chair, Academic Council, UC Academic Senate Michael Clark, Vice Provost, Academic Planning, UC Irvine Craig Martens, Chair, Academic Senate – Irvine Division Andrew Policano, Dean, Paul Merage School of Business, UC Irvine Martha Winnacker, Executive Director, UC Academic Senate

July 24, 2012

# INTERIM EXECUTIVE VICE CHANCELLOR AND PROVOST SUSAN V. BRYANT

### RE: Proposal for a Self-Supporting Program, M.P.Ac. in Accountancy

At its meeting of July 3, 2012, the Coordinating Committee of Graduate Affairs (CCGA) considered the proposal for a new Self-Supporting program, the Master of Arts in Accounting in the Paul Merage School of Business. The external review by CCGA recommended that the degree designation be changed to a Master of Professional Accountancy (M.P.Ac.).

The School faculty has agreed with the degree designation, and on behalf of the division, I agree that the degree designation determined by the Systemwide faculty is appropriate. The proposed new degree designation will be considered by the Academic Council at its meeting scheduled for Wednesday, July 25, 2012.

I would like to request a letter of support from the Administration regarding the CCGA recommendation for the new degree designation. This will support ensure that the proposal moves forward at the Academic Council meeting. The program would like to begin admission of its first cohort of students in Fall 2013. If you have any questions related to the proposal, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Craig Martens, Senate Chair

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C: Vice Provost Michael Clark Vice Chancellor Meredith Michaels Heike Rau

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Craig Martens Chair, Academic Senate Academic Senate Office 307 Aldrich Hall Irvine, CA 92697-1325

**Dear Chairperson Martens:** 

I was very pleased to hear that Coordinating Committee on Graduate Affairs (CCGA) voted to approve the "Master of Arts in Accounting (MAAc)" degree proposal submitted by The Paul Merage School of Business with only one caveat: that we change the name to "Master of Professional Accountancy (MPAc)" in accordance with that naming convention used by both UC Davis and UC Riverside. We wholeheartedly agree that this name change is in our best interest and in the interest of the publics we serve, resulting in less confusion and increased standardization across campuses.

We are excited to be moving forward and believe the degree will be tremendous value to both undergraduate students hoping to further their education and to accounting firms needing graduates with a focused and relevant educational training.

Thank you again for the Senate's support of this exciting new initiative.

Sincerely,

Dean