




PLANNING & BUDGET

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To: Dylan Rodriguez, Chair
Riverside Division

From: Christian Shelton, Chair 
Committee on Planning and Budget

RE: Revised Biophysics Proposal

P&B discussed the revised proposal for a graduate program in Biophysics and feels that the issues the committee raised last year have been addressed and resolved. The revised proposal makes it clear how this program fits into UCR's plans to increase the size of graduate programs.

Separately, P&B noted that the current difficulties of budgetary support for interdisciplinary programs remain. This is not unique to this proposal and does not stand in the way of P&B's support of the Biophysics proposal.

Yet, some of the issues raised in the last round of review were mitigated in the current proposal by the reduction of the proposal to a single college.

For the first cycle of review by Graduate Council, P&B suggests that potential problems with interdisciplinary funding be paid special attention to.