May 4, 2012

Vice Chancellor J.W. Harrington
University of Washington, Tacoma
Box 358430

Dear J.W.:

Based upon the recommendations of the Faculty Council on Academic Policy, the Faculty Assembly has recommended approval of the revised admission requirements for both the Bachelor of Arts degree and the Bachelor of Science degree in Computer Science and Systems. A copy of the change is attached.

I am writing to inform you that the Office of Academic Affairs is authorized to specify these requirements beginning autumn quarter 2012.

The new requirements should be incorporated in printed statements and in individual department websites as soon as possible. The *General Catalog* website will be updated accordingly by the Registrar's Office.

Sincerely yours,

Michael K. Young
President

Enclosure

cc: Ms. Zaide Chavez (with enclosure)
      Mr. Robert Corbett (with enclosure)
      Dr. Deborah H. Wiegand (with enclosure)
      Ms. Virjean Edwards (with enclosure TCSS-20120321)

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College/Campus UW Tacoma	**Department/Unit** Institute of Technology	**Date** June 07, 2012

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Contact Person: **Zaide Chavez**	Phone: **253 692-4659**	Email: **zaidec@uw.edu**	Box: **358426**

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From: Zaide Chavez <zaidec@u.washington.edu>
Sent: Thursday, August 16, 2012 8:55 AM
To: Jennifer A. Payne
Subject: Re: Revised Admissions Requirements for CSS degree

Katie Baird is also the Faculty Assembly Chair. Can I copy and paste that signature?
- **Katie Baird, Chair Faculty Assembly 2012-2013**

Thanks,

Zaide

----- Original Message -----

From: Jennifer A. Payne
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Zaide,

The 1503 I have is signed by the program chair, the Curriculum Committee Chair and the Vice Chancellor but not the chair of the Faculty Assembly. I will need to send this back to you for that signature.

Jennifer

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Jennifer Payne, M.Ed.
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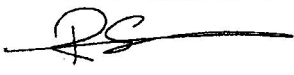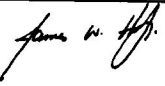* Cumulative GPA of at least a 2.5 in all college math, science, and computer science courses

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