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Dr. Richard D. Yao  
President  
California State University Channel Islands  
One University Drive  
Camarillo, California 93012

Dear President Yao:

Upon the recommendation of staff within the Division of Academic and Student Affairs, I am pleased to grant approval for California State University Channel Islands to offer the state-support Bachelor of Science degree program in Data Science, effective fall 2025. This program appears on the Academic Master Plan as approved by the California State University Board of Trustees, and you have provided information indicating there are adequate faculty, physical facilities and library holdings sufficient to establish and maintain this program currently exist or are expected to become available. Program approval is conditional on the continued existence of these resources.

If the program is not implemented by 2030, the university is required to submit to the Chancellor's Office an updated program proposal for review. In accordance with board policy, performance review of this degree program should be scheduled to occur within five years of program implementation. The program has been assigned the CSU degree-program code 17035, and the CIP code is 30.7001. The university is responsible for adding this degree program to the CSU Degrees Database prior to its implementation and to the Campus Academic Plan. A change in support mode or location would require Chancellor's Office review and approval.

Thank you for continuing to develop and adapt university programs to meet the evolving needs of our students and our state.

Sincerely,



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