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Dear [Walter,]

With this memorandum I certify that the Eller College of Management supports the construction of a University-wide Graduate Certificate in Statistics. The Certificate will attract a variety of new students to our programs who are interested in more in-depth/focused study of this modern science, and certainly is a mechanism by which the University can extend and enhance its mission to educate Arizona's citizenry. The college will offer the courses listed below on a regular basis to serve as possible electives for the Graduate Certificate in Statistics:

- ECON 517 -- Introductory Mathematical Statistics for Economists (cross-listed as AREC 517)
- ECON 518 -- Introduction to Econometrics (cross-listed as AREC 518)
- ECON 520 -- Quantitative Methods in Economics
- ECON 522A -- Econometrics
- ECON 549 -- Applied Econometric Analysis (cross-listed as AREC 549)

Please do not hesitate to contact me or my staff if you have any questions, or if we can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Paul R. Portney  
Dean  
Eller College of Management