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Dear Professor Jenkins,

We are pleased to endorse the development of the program in Environmental Humanities and are glad to see our courses represented in the proposal. The disciplines of public administration and public policy are themselves highly interdisciplinary, so we have a good understanding of the diverse range of knowledge that is required to tackle some of our most urgent public problems. Certainly over the last couple of decades environmental concerns have risen high on the roster of matters that perplex society, and that demand the full application of all areas of human knowledge. This new interdisciplinary program is an excellent venue for bringing to bear the capacities of the humanities to identify social problems, to study them in the richness of historical, philosophical, and literary analyses of human experience, and to motivate and inspire.

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