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September 15, 2021

Dr. Darryll J. Pines  
President  
University of Maryland, College Park  
1122 Main Administration Building  
College Park, MD 20742

Dear President Pines:

The Maryland Higher Education Commission has reviewed a request from University of Maryland, College Park to offer a Post-Baccalaureate Certificate (P.B.C.) in Latin American and Caribbean Studies.

I am pleased to inform you that the program proposal is approved for implementation in Fall 2021. This decision is based on an analysis of the program proposal in conjunction with the law and regulations governing academic program approval, in particular Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR) 13B.02.03. As required by COMAR, the Commission circulated the proposal to the Maryland higher education community for comment and objection; no objections were received during the 30-day circulation period. The program meets COMAR's requirements and demonstrates potential for success, an essential factor in making this decision.

For the purposes of providing enrollment and degree data to the Commission, please use the following HEGIS and CIP codes:

Program Title	Award	Credits	HEGIS	CIP	Modality
Latin American and Caribbean Studies	P.B.C.	12	0308.21	05.0134	On-campus

Should University of Maryland, College Park desire to make a substantial modification to the program in the future, review by the Commission will be necessary. I wish you continued success.

Sincerely,

Dr. James D. Fielder  
Secretary

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