ACADEMIC COUNCIL REPORT

ACTION REQUESTED:

Recommendation ☐
Decision ☐
Discussion/Direction ☐
Information ☒

DATE: 25 February 2020

FROM: Undergraduate Studies Committee

SUBJECT: Minor Program Adjustment – Bachelor of Science in Computer Science

COMMITTEE MANDATE:
In accordance with Section 1. b) of the Undergraduate Studies Committee (USC) Terms of Reference, USC has the responsibility "to approve minor program adjustments and report them to Academic Council for information."

BACKGROUND/CONTEXT & RATIONALE:
The Faculty is proposing to remove CSCI 2160U, it was listed as a core requirement in error during previous curriculum changes. They are replacing CSCI 2160U with an elective course (general elective). This will provide students more flexible course selection, and not require them to take a course which does not align completely with their area of specialization. Students will still be able to take CSCI 2160U as an elective, if they wish.

RESOURCES REQUIRED:
There are no impacts on resources.

TRANSITION PLAN:
Students who are currently in the Data Science program, and already completed CSCI 2160U will have the option to follow the current program map, or apply CSCI 2160U to their Computer Science elective requirements and take a general elective course in its place. Students who have not completed CSCI 2160U (i.e. those in first year in 2019-20) will not be required to take CSCI 2160U, and instead will follow the new program map.

CONSULTATION AND APPROVAL:
USC: January 21st, 2020
Faculty Council: December 11th, 2019
Curriculum Committee: November 29th, 2019

NEXT STEPS:
- This change will be included in the 2020-2021 Academic Calendar

SUPPORTING REFERENCE MATERIALS:

- [Minor Program Adjustment Proposal](#)