August 22, 2023

Dr. Kevin Sightler
Substantive Change Office
SACS Commission on Colleges
1866 Southern Lane
Decatur, GA 30033

Re: Notification – BS in Applied Artificial Intelligence

Dear Kevin,

Please accept this letter as notification of a new program, the Bachelor of Science in Applied Artificial Intelligence (AI), beginning August 23, 2024.

The Applied AI program aligns seamlessly with the institution's mission, particularly the commitment to applied research and community engagement. It strengthens ties with strategic partners like the Oak Ridge National Laboratory. The BS in Applied AI is a 120-credit hour program, with 27 hours being developed by College of Emerging and Collaborative Studies (CECS) faculty and 93 hours of existing coursework at the institution. Consequently, approximately 22.5% of the program's content will be new, which makes notification the proper action.

This program will be offered face-to-face on the main campus. Please contact me if you need more information.

Sincerely,

Heather Hartman
SACSCOC Liaison

Cc: John Zomchick, Provost and Senior Vice Chancellor
        Ozlem Kilic, Interim Vice Provost for Academic Affairs and Dean, CECS
        Alex Bentley, Associate Dean, CECS