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RE: IN-1 Venice Environmental Studies Program

To Whom It May Concern:

I am pleased to submit this letter of affirmation that the information presented for credit IN-1: is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. This is a forward-thinking project, an investment for the future.

In Boston University's continued effort to engage with its community in driving change toward a more sustainable future worldwide, we've developed the Venice Environmental Studies Program. Launched in June 2014 by BU Global Programs, the experience allows undergraduate students to explore a variety of critical issues related to climate change in the City of Venice, Italy, a frequently cited example in spirited debates about the impact of climate change.

Boston University's Venice Environmental Studies Program is unique because of its dual focus, allowing students to examine both the scientific underpinnings of climate change and sea level rise, and their effects on the economy and society. Developed by the Global Programs, Study Abroad team with BU faculty, students are introduced to the main processes driving change in the Venice lagoon. They also examine the challenges faced by the international community in developing and implementing policies to address its potential impacts.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Willis G. Wang", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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