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Dear Tom,

I’m writing this letter in regards to the Bachelor of Applied Science (BAS) degree at the University of Montana (UM). The BAS degree is designed for individuals who have completed an Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degree and want to pursue additional education to strengthen their career advancement opportunities. The BAS degree with an emphasis in Computer Science (CS) provides an important baccalaureate degree pathway at UM for AAS degree graduates in IT Network Administration & Security from Missoula College.

This baccalaureate degree pathway will allow students a true 2 + 2 program of study, where full-time, academically-prepared students can reasonably achieve the credential within a four-year timeframe. The pathway requires students to complete 55 credits of CS coursework, including 30 credits of upper-division CS courses. Graduates from this BAS degree pathway will possess a unique set of skills and abilities in joining the next generation workforce of Network Administrators and Information Security Experts.

It is with great enthusiasm that the Department of Computer Science welcomes these students pursuing this pathway for the BAS degree with an emphasis in CS at UM.

Sincerely,

Andrew Ware
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