

## Memorandum

To: Faculty Senate

Seton Hall University

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Provost and Executive Vice President

Re: Memo re DH Certificate

2021-FS-20

Date: September 10, 2021

The Office of the Provost is in receipt of the 2021-FS-20 memo regarding the Certificate in Digital Humanities and Data Studies, which was approved at its June 7 meeting.

In this motion, the Faculty Senate voted to approve a Certificate in Digital Humanities. The program supports an area of study that considers digital tools in conjunction with and for the advancement and development of traditionally humanities skills: critical thinking, synthesis, reading, writing, analysis, and creativity. This program represents collaborative work by a community of faculty members who have worked together to reimagine existing courses in light (1) how research is conducted and information, data, and knowledge are accessed, and (2) fostering creative approaches to complex and urgent social questions. The Certificate is in keeping with earlier campus-wide initiatives such as the establishment of the university core proficiencies and current discussions with the Core leadership about including digital fluency as one of the core proficiencies.

Therefore, I join with the Faculty Senate's recommendation to approve this program, and I look forward to seeing the innovation, creativity, and learning that will result.