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Dear Dr. Reyes:

We have received your request to modify the core curriculum at The University of Texas at Austin, dated February 24, 2009. Effective as of May 1, 2009, the approved core curriculum will be changed as follows:

- Add NSC 306J Science for the 21st Century I to the Natural Sciences (030) component area;
- Add NSC 306K Science for the 21st Century II to the Natural Sciences (030) component area; and
- Add NSC 306L Science for the 21st Century III to the Natural Sciences (030) component area.

We understand that NSC 306L will also be considered to fulfill the additional Natural Sciences (031) component area for students who have used NSC 206J and SNC 306K to fulfill their Natural Sciences (030) component area requirement. We further understand that, upon approval for inclusion in the institution's core curriculum, all three courses will be opened to all students, supplanting the current restriction that limits enrollment in the courses to "education majors" [sic].

Thank you for your continuing efforts to deliver high quality academic programs to your students.

Sincerely,

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