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**Re: Acknowledgement of Support for IAPP Certificate Program**

I am pleased to acknowledge the tremendous support and service that Alec Campbell, President, Excelsa Associates Inc., has provided on behalf of the Faculty of Extension. Mr. Campbell was instrumental in conceiving the idea of a postsecondary access and privacy program and arranging for support and funding from the Commissioner and the Government of Alberta. His efforts allowed for the establishment of what has become the *Information Access and Protection of Privacy (IAPP) Certificate Program* within Government Studies, Faculty of Extension, University of Alberta.

Mr. Campbell personally assisted the planning and development of the IAPP program by working with the Government Studies staff to establish a Curriculum Advisory Committee, designing and writing course materials and serving as an External Reviewer on new course materials.


The award-winning IAPP program celebrated its tenth anniversary in 2010. It has now has over a thousand students graduate from across Canada and internationally. The success of this nationally and internationally acclaimed program is in large part due to the support and expertise that Mr. Campbell has provided to the Faculty of Extension.

Ten years ago Mr. Campbell, as the Executive Director responsible for Alberta's *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, came to Government Studies with an idea to establish a small program that would address the academic needs of access and privacy professionals. That idea grew into today's IAPP program, which is recognized around the world as the leader in access and privacy administration and legislation education. The IAPP program is delivered online nationally and internationally and has contributed to the growth and recognition of this emerging profession.

The efforts of Mr. Campbell and success of the IAPP program are an excellent example of how academic and program growth occurs at the Faculty of Extension. Government Studies and Mr. Campbell's efforts demonstrate how the Faculty of Extension works collaboratively with community partners ensuring success through positive "Community Engagement."

The Faculty of Extension looks forward to a continuing professional working relationship with Alec Campbell.

Sincerely,



Katy Campbell, PhD  
Dean & Professor