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To **Deans, Directors, and Heads Academic Units
Department Chairs and Institute Directors**

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(Signature)
Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs

Subject **Additional Assessment as Input for the Development of an
Admission System for Freshie Intake in 2021**

Date 17 February 2021

Following the decision of the University Councils as the highest academic policy-making body of the CUs, the Office of Admissions, in collaboration with other UP System and CU offices, organized simultaneous activities towards the development of the AY 2021-2022 Admissions System. As proposed in the 26 October 2020 System Webinar's discussion of the fourth option in lieu of UPCAT, and as approved in the 28 October 2020 UP Diliman Special University Council meeting, departments and institutes may determine an additional layer of screening for their programs, **if deemed necessary**. While the development of the Admission Score model based on High School grades is currently underway, it is now time to consult the departments and institutes if they intend to propose additional screening.

In this connection, we hereby request the academic units to submit their proposed additional screening with the following considerations:

1. The additional screening is not compulsory in that the department may opt to follow the ranking of qualifiers in their degree program based solely on the derived Admission Score (UPG based on high school grades from Grades 8, 9, 10 and first semester of Grade 11) provided by the Office of Admissions.
2. Additional computations may be requested from the Office of Admissions. Examples of such computation are weighted averages in subject matter domains like mathematics, science, social science, etc. These may be provided along with the Admission Score to aid in deciding who among the applicants will make it to the final list of qualifiers.
3. The additional screening (e.g., interviews, talent determination) shall be done at the department/institute level and not by the Office of Admissions. The departments/institutes shall submit their list of qualifiers (including possible waitlisted applicants) to the Office of Admissions for integration and release.
4. Applicants who will be delisted in the qualifier list by virtue of the additional screening in a specific degree program will be put on the DPWAS (degree program with available slot) list. During the round of processing for



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the DPWAS, applicants targeting a specific degree program shall undergo applicable additional screening.

As agreed upon in the 15 February 2021 meeting of the Presidential Advisory Council, the additional screens will be approved at the CU level. Please submit the list on or before 15 March 2021.

Thank you.