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**Subject:** Re: Letter of support - PHI 2681 AI and Ethics

Bill (Trapani),

The Mathematical Sciences Department supports this proposal.

Thank you for checking with us.

Stephen C. Locke, Chair  
Math. Sci. Dept.

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**From:** Frederick Hoffman <[HOFFMAN@fau.edu](mailto:HOFFMAN@fau.edu)>  
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Good morning, Stephen,

I would favor your sending a strong letter of support for the "AI and ethics" course proposed by Susan Schneider. The material should be taught here, and she is ideally qualified to teach it. I think we should strive for a high level of cooperation in research and teaching with Dr. Schneider and her center.

Cheers,

Fred  
Sent from my iPhone

> On Apr 2, 2021, at 10:51 AM, Stephen Locke <[lockes@fau.edu](mailto:lockes@fau.edu)> wrote:

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> I will ask Fred Hoffman for an opinion also.

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> S.C.L.

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> Good morning Professor Locke,  
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> I'm writing on behalf of Philosophy as well as Arts and Letters more generally. We introduced a course recently through faculty governance (PHI 2681 AI and Ethics) that both represents an area of expertise for one of recent hires Dr. Susan Schneider but also contributes to A&L efforts in AI. At the UUPC meeting Jerry Haky recommended checking in with you/securing a letter of support/allowance so that there would be no difficulty with approval at Senate.  
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> I apologize for not reaching out prior to this - we've had many meetings on Data Science and on AI with various collectives of College reps and I should not have assumed those meetings alone would suffice.  
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> I'm hoping that you might review the attached and see your way to agreeing to Arts and Letters creating the course through Philosophy (documents attached). If, of course you have concerns I would be happy to chat with you about them and see what we might do to ensure your comfort.  
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> Thanks so much  
> Bill  
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