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ASUW Representative, to be named
GPSS Representative, to be named

Dear Colleagues,

I am writing to ask you to serve on a committee to assess the UW's current organization of colleges and schools. The committee will be co-chaired by Professors Tom Daniel and Kathleen Woodward.

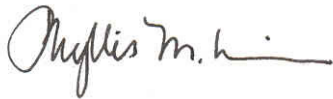
We are undertaking this exploration to learn whether the current organization of our colleges and schools best serves learning experiences for our undergraduate and graduate students and postdoctoral fellows.

We also wish to ask whether our configuration best serves the growth of interdisciplinary research collaborations and takes advantage of evolving programmatic interactions. This analysis complements the review of the undergraduate experience and the leadership, community, and values initiative (LCVI).

The committee is being formed, in consultation with the Faculty Senate, to gather information and opinions of the University community about the organization. (Note that we have requested student representation from GPSS and ASUW to be added to the committee membership.) We will ask the committee to employ multiple approaches, similar the those used in the leadership, community, and values survey.

I hope you will be able to participate in this exciting and important work! Please let me know by Tuesday (4/18) whether you are able to serve. I will meet with the newly formed committee on Wednesday, 4/19, 7:30-9:30 a.m. in 301 Gerberding. If you are able to serve, please also let me know if you can attend this initial meeting.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Phyllis M. Wise". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line extending to the right.

Phyllis M. Wise
Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs