

June 26, 2008

Ms. Kathy Seney  
State/UUP Joint Labor-Management Committees  
55 Elk Street, Suite 301-C  
Albany, NY 12210-2317

Dear Ms. Seney:

Enclosed are application materials from Dr. Lin Lin for the Dr. Nuala McGann Drescher Affirmative Action/Diversity Leave Program. I strongly endorse this proposal and certify that Dr. Lin qualifies for eligibility as a woman and has been renewed for a term appointment. I also guarantee that if Dr. Lin receives the Drescher award, SUNY Cortland will meet its commitments by providing Dr. Lin with a full-time leave during the Fall 2008 semester as well as the 40 percent required to fund her teaching replacement and her project expenses.

Dr. Lin was appointed at SUNY Cortland in 2005. Her research interests focus on the efficacy of the literature-based elementary social studies program (LESS) on students' reading comprehension. The purpose of this proposal is to support Dr. Lin's examination of the impact of the LESS program on the reading achievement of fourth grade students in the Cortland City School District.

Based on Dr. Lin's contributions to the campus to date, I am confident that her scholarship will be of the highest quality and that the work she produces will represent a significant contribution to her disciplinary field.

Thank you for considering this proposal. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



Elizabeth Davis-Russell, Ed.D., Ph.D.  
Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

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pc: President Erik Bitterbaum  
Dean Gerald Porter  
Department Chair Andrea Lachance, CEC  
Dr. Lin Lin ✓  
Mr. Glen Clarke

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**Dr. Nuala McGann Drescher Affirmative Action Leave Program  
Financial Statement  
Salary Replacement Cost**

This is to confirm the anticipated salary replacement cost for Dr. Lin Lin for her 2008 Fall semester paid leave under the Drescher Affirmative Action Leave Program.

The total salary replacement cost for the Spring semester will be:	\$12,000.00
Less – 40% absorbed by this institution	<u>4,800.00</u>
Drescher program support – net	\$ 7,200.00

  
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