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Dear Colleagues,

At System Administration, we always look to add value to what you do at your institution. Recently, we've identified a UT System function that appears to add only marginal value, and so we plan to discontinue it.

Every UT institution periodically revises its existing undergraduate and/or graduate catalogs. The catalogs contain a great deal of important information and also centralize many policies and resources that are found in various corners of your (and our) websites and official publications. They also include some passages that are required by law.

Several years ago, the Office of General Counsel prepared a checklist to guide us all in preparing catalogs that comport with state and federal law, the Regents' Rules, and UT System policy. Since then, OGC has periodically updated that checklist, especially after legislative sessions. Over time, many institutions have used the checklist and then been required to send their revised catalogs to OGC and the Offices of Academic Affairs (OAA) or Health Affairs (OHA) for review.

These reviews take time, as any careful review should. But our recent organizational assessment tells us that System Administration's review of institutional catalogs is adding only marginal value to your staff's already-excellent work.

Thus, OGC will continue to periodically update its catalog checklist for use by all institutions, but effective today we will discontinue UT System Administration's reflexive review of institutional undergraduate and graduate catalogs. OGC, OAA, and OHA will always be

available to answer any questions or concerns you might have about your catalogs or to review them in their entirety if you wish.

If you have any questions or concerns about this change, please let us know. Thank you very much.

Best wishes,

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