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To whom it may concern

I am writing to give my wholehearted support to the project of Dr. Cecilia Chan to develop generic skills in STEM majors' students and employees.

Prince of Songkla University emphasises the professional knowledge and practical skills of students, particularly for students to learn and develop holistically while preparing to enter their respective societies. With this in mind, the University looks to equip students fully, and ensure that graduates are capable and competent. For the Faculty of Engineering, the balanced development of technical skills, practical knowledge and life skills are highlighted in courses. Even more so, the Faculty pays attention in providing suitable training opportunities for students, both complementary and compulsory, to enhance their learning experience. As Assistant Professor and Associate Dean for Academic and Learning Skills Development, I am focused on providing more opportunities to further equip our students.

The collaboration is a great opportunity to build networks with other universities across Asia, and to address our needs in curriculum development and provision of learning opportunities. We aim to use the instruments developed by Dr. Cecilia Chan to collect data within our university, and make full use of the frameworks and platform developed to assess our students. Dr. Chan's work on generic competencies will greatly enhance the development of our students, and the integration of the instruments and frameworks in our university will further push the Faculty in promoting and enhancing integration of life skills in the curriculum.

For this, I would like to restate my support for Dr. Chan's work. I look forward to collaborating with her and partnering institutions of the project to construct a learning environment for our students to gain generic skills, to enhance the competitiveness of our students in the global market. Should more information be required, please contact me at jareerat.s@psu.ac.th.

Yours sincerely,

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