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Postsecondary Electronic Standards Council 1250 Connecticut Ave NW, Suite 700 Washington, D.C. 20036

ATTN: Standards Development Forum for Education

RE: Requested changes to College and High School XML Schemas

On behalf of our members and system users, the Ontario Universities' Application Centre (OUAC) supports the changes requested by the Canadian PESC Users Group.

PESC's standards are integral to the operations of our data exchange process. All post-secondary transcripts and increasingly more high school transcript data exchanged through our system are formatted using PESC's standards, and ensuring those standards reflect the specific data elements is essential. The requested changes will allow our institutions to reflect their students' academic achievements more accurately in the electronic record and provide more clarity for receivers of records.

We are proud to contribute to PESC's work to establish and adopt trusted, free, and open data standards across the education domain.

Sincerely,

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