

October 11, 2024

Dr. Xiaoxia Newton Faculty President UNC Charlotte

Dear Xiaoxia,

In accordance with the faculty policy concerning award of posthumous degrees and degrees in memoriam, I am forwarding a request from the College of Computing and Informatics to issue a degree in memoriam:

Name:Rafael S. CruzDegree:Bachelor of Arts in Memoriam

The justification for the awarding of the degree is attached. I endorse this request and ask that it be considered for approval.

Sincerely,

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Jennifer Troyer Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs

Attachment

cc: Bojan Cukic, Dean, College of Computing and Informatics Jon Reece, University Registrar Denise Balfour Simpson, Associate Vice Chancellor and Dean of Students Matt Wyse, Faculty Governance Assistant



TO:	Jennifer Troyer, Provost
FROM:	Bojan Cukic, <sup>B. Calact</sup> Dean of the College of Computing and Informatics
DATE:	October 10, 2024

RE: Recommendation to Award Degree in Memoriam

In accordance with UNC Charlotte Academic Policy, a Degree in Memoriam is a recognition provided to honor a deceased student's progress toward the degree.

Rafael Semaj Cruz (800557341), who passed away in 2023, was enrolled at the UNC Charlotte between 2007 and 2016. He changed major to Bachelor of Arts in Computer Science in 2011. Rafael earned 194 credit hours, with a with a cumulative GPA of 1.84.

On October 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024, the faculty of the College of Computing and Informatics voted to recommend awarding a degree in memoriam to Rafael S. Cruz.

I request that Rafael S. Cruz be awarded a Bachelor of Arts in Memoriam.