

## Nikou, Roshan

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**From:** Graduate.Council.Web.Site@www.uky.edu  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 03, 2008 10:18 AM  
**To:** Nikou, Roshan  
**Cc:** Price, Cleo  
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College/Department/Unit: = BST 639  
Category:\_ = New  
Date\_for\_Council\_Review: = 12/4/2008  
Recommendation\_is:\_ = Approve  
Investigator: = Kert Viele  
E-mail\_Address = [viele@uky.edu](mailto:viele@uky.edu)  
1\_\_Modifications: =  
2\_\_Considerations: =  
3\_\_Contacts: = Marta Mendiondo general discussion  
4\_\_Additional\_Information: = The prereq on the course includes "\"...and basic computer literacy\"". It is unclear to me what this is operationally (e.g. if the registrar can check it, for example). If this is a first year course, how would a deficiency in "\"basic computer literacy\"" be handled?

Basics of the course look straightforward and acceptable.

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Prefix and Number    Signature of chair of cross-listing department

5. Requested effective date (term/year): Fall / 2009

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If YES, please name:    PhD in Epidemiology and Biostatistics
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Name: Marta S. Mendiondo Phone: 257-141ext.274 Email: marta@email.uky.edu

20. Signatures to report approvals:

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## **BST/CPH 639: Computing Tools for the Biomedical Sciences**

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4. Students will learn how to implement nonparametric rank-based and permutation procedures, and elementary resampling methods
5. Students will learn how to produce publication quality graphics and tables
6. Students will learn elementary programming in each software package
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**Assessment:** Grades will be based on problem sets and lab assignments (40%), in-class exams (40%), and a final project (20%).

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<u>Grade</u>	<u>%</u>
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**LaRoche, Adrea S.**

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**From:** Brothers, Sheila C  
**Sent:** Monday, September 22, 2008 8:42 AM  
**To:** LaRoche, Adrea S.  
**Subject:** FW: HCCC Transmittal - Program Change: MS in Athletic Training  
**Attachments:** PhD Epi Bio Final Signatures.pdf; FW: important-EPI 714; FW: regarding the New Program Proposal for the PhD in Epidemiology and Biostatistics

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
**Flag Status:** Flagged

**Categories:** Curricular Items

Don't let the subject line fool you – this is for a PhD in Epidemiology. ☺  
Sheila

*Office of the Senate Council  
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**From:** Lindsay, Jim D.  
**Sent:** Friday, September 19, 2008 2:20 PM  
**To:** Nikou, Roshan; Jackson, Brian A  
**Cc:** Brothers, Sheila C; Anderson, Heidi Milia; Flanagan, Rebecca; Alexander, Linda A; Kryscio, Richard  
**Subject:** RE: HCCC Transmittal - Program Change: MS in Athletic Training

September 19th, 2008

**T R A N S M I T T A L**

**TO:** Brian Jackson, Roshan Nikou  
Graduate Council  
**FROM:** Jim Lindsay  
Health Care Colleges Council

At its August 19th 2008 meeting, the Health Care Colleges Council approved the following proposal and is now forwarding it to the Graduate Council to approve:

College of Public Health  
New Program: Ph.D. in Epidemiology

Attached are the materials to implement the requested action.

cc: Linda Alexander  
Becki Flanagan  
Richard Kryscio  
Shelia Brothers  
Heidi Anderson

Jim Lindsay  
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