

November 17, 2005

Memorandum

TO: David Watt, Associate Provost for Academic Affairs

FR: Sharon R. Stewart, Associate Dean for Academic Affairs

RE: *Transitional* Doctor of Physical Therapy Program (DPT): A Track within the Professional DPT

I am attaching the proposal for the *Transitional* Doctor of Physical Therapy Program for consideration. This program was approved by a majority of the members of the CHS Academic Affairs Committee, and I support the proposal. Based on my conversations with the Program Director and the Dean, we are confident that sufficient resources are available to offer this track.

The Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT) Program was recently approved by the Council on Post-Secondary Education and will be implemented in Fall 2006. The purpose of the present proposal for the *Transitional* Doctor of Physical Therapy Program is to offer a *post-professional* DPT track within the existing DPT degree. In other words, the professional DPT degree program will be the entry-level degree for individuals training to be physical therapists, while the *Transitional* DPT will be for individuals who *are* practicing physical therapists. The *Transitional* program would be available for currently licensed physical therapists who have already attained the equivalent of a masters level education.

The UK DPT program will be the only DPT program offered at a public institution in Kentucky. The addition of the *Transitional* DPT would give physical therapists in Kentucky and beyond access to the necessary education to progress to the clinical doctorate level. The only other physical therapy program in the state is located at a private institution in Louisville. That program currently offers training for both the professional entry-level DPT degree and the *Transitional* DPT degree. It should be noted that a variety of programs around the nation offer both the DPT also offer a *transitional* DPT.

The attached proposal provides detail about the planned program. For additional information, please contact: Anne Harrison (3-1100, ext 80596) or Terry Malone (3-1100, ext. 80600).

Text from email sent on 11/02/2005 to the Dean's office from the CHS Academic Affairs Committee.

The Academic Affairs Committee has reviewed the latest version of the Transitional-DPT proposal. While there is not unanimous approval for this proposal, there is a two-thirds majority in favor of the proposal.

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Proposal Title: *Transitional Doctor of Physical Therapy Track*

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Instruction: To facilitate the processing of this proposal please identify the groups or individuals reviewing the proposal, identify a contact person for each entry, provide the consequences of the review (specifically, approval, rejection, no decision and vote outcome, if any) and please attach a copy of any report or memorandum developed with comments on this proposal.

Reviewed by: (Chairs, Directors, Faculty Groups, Faculty Councils, Committees, etc)	Contact person Name (phone/email)	Consequences of Review:	Date of Proposal Review	Review Summary Attached? (yes or no)
Division of Physical Therapy Faculty	Dr. Terry Malone, see above	Approved	August 2005	no
Chair, Department of Rehabilitation Sciences	Dr. Judith L. Page 323-1100, x 80571 jlpage01@uky.edu	Approved	October 2005	no
College of Health Sciences Academic Affairs Committee	Dr. Linda Gorman 323-1100X80855 lsgorm0@uky.edu	Approved (majority vote)	October 2005	yes (email)
College of Health Sciences, Dean's Office	Dr. Sharon R. Stewart 323-1100, x 80570 srstew01@uky.edu	Approved	November 2005	yes (memo)
Health Care Colleges Council	Dr. David Watt 323-6589 dwatt@uky.edu	Approved	December 21 2005	yes (email memo)

Brothers, Sheila C

From: Robert B. Grossman [robert.grossman@uky.edu]
Sent: Tuesday, February 14, 2006 11:22 AM
To: Brothers, Sheila C
Subject: MS Dentistry Plan B Option and Transitional Doctor of Physical Therapy

Hi Sheila,

The Academic Program Committee votes unanimously to approve the MS Dentistry Plan B Option and the Transitional Doctor of Physical Therapy program.

These items can go on any coming Senate Council agenda.

-- Bob