

**UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY  
REQUEST FOR CHANGE IN MASTERS DEGREE PROGRAM**

0607-1013

Program: Master of Arts degree program

Department/Division: Sch. Of Library and Information Science

College: Com m.& Info. Studies Bulletin pp 14 9-150

Degree Title (Old): MA Major (New): MA

CIP Code: \_\_\_\_\_ HEGIS Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Accrediting Agency (if applicable): A merican Library Association

**I. CHANGE(S) IN PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS**

	<u>Current</u>	<u>Proposed</u>
1. Number of transfer credits allowed (Graduate School limit: 9 hours or 25% of coursework)	9	9
2. Residence requirement (if applicable)		
3. Language(s) and/or skill(s) required	Language (both A and B)	
4. Termination criteria	More than 2 C grades	More than 2 C grades
5. Plan A requirements*	36 hours Thesis (6 hours) 6 hours cognate	42 hours Thesis (6 hours) 6 hours cognate, 6 hours appropriate track content
6. Plan B requirements*	36 hours 6 hours of advanced bibliog. or technical services courses 6 hours cognate	42 hours 6 hours of advanced bibliog. or technical services courses. 6 hours cognate. 6 hours appropriate track content
7. Distribution of course levels required (At least one half must be at 600+ level & two thirds must be in organized courses)	30 hours at 600 level	36 hours at 600 level
8. Required courses (if applicable)	12 hours of core. 3 hours of advanced technology	12 hours of core. 3 hours of technology
9. Required distribution of courses within program (if applicable)	30 hours LIS. 6 hours cognate	42 hours LIS of which 12 is electives in guided specialties.
10. Final examination requirements	Plan A oral defense Plan B : final exam	Plan A: Oral defense Plan B: final exam

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11. Any other requirements not covered above

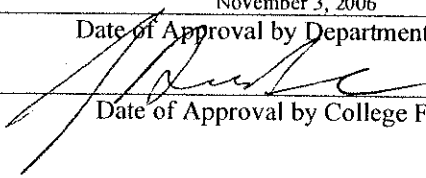
II. RATIONALE FOR CHANGE(S)

If the rationale involves accreditation requirements, please include specific references to those requirements.

Current 36 hour program length is insufficient for students who wish to do so to gain enough course work in a specialty. Thirty-six hours does not allow for a special emphasis without compromising the general professional preparation to meet accreditation standards. Language is no longer considered essential to this degree.

Those who do not wish a special emphasis or do not wish to write a thesis will continue to pursue the MSLS degree.

Signatures of Approval:

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November 3, 2006  
Date of Approval by Department Faculty  
  
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Date of Approval by College Faculty

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November 14, 2006  
Reported by Department Chair  
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Reported by College Dean

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Reported by Undergraduate Council Chair

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\*Date of Approval by Health Care Colleges Council (HCCC)

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\*Date of Approval by Senate Council

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\*If applicable, as provided by the Rules of the University Senate

ACTION OTHER THAN APPROVAL