

CHANGE MASTERS DEGREE PROGRAM FORM

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

College:	The Graduate School	Department:	The Martin School of Public Policy & Administration		
Current Major Name:	none	Proposed Major Name:	none		
Current Degree Title:	Master of Public Administration	Proposed Degree Title:	same		
Formal Option(s):		Proposed Formal Option(s):			
Specialty Fields w/in Formal Option:	several	Proposed Specialty Fields w/in Formal Options:	several		
Date of Contact with Associate Provost for Academic Administration ¹ :	N/A				
Bulletin (yr & pgs):	Graduate 2013 p. 266-269	CIP Code ¹ :	44.0401	Today's Date:	02/24/2014
Accrediting Agency (if applicable):	NASPAA Natl. Association of Schools of Public Affairs & Administration				
Requested Effective Date:	<input type="checkbox"/> Semester following approval.	OR	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Specific Date ² :	Fall 2014	
Dept. Contact Person:	Sarah L	Phone:	257-5594	Email:	solee@uky.edu

2. CHANGE(S) IN PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

		<u>Current</u>	<u>Proposed</u>
1.	Number of transfer credits allowed (Maximum is Graduate School limit of 9 hours or 25% of course work)	9-12	9-12
2.	Residence requirement (if applicable)	no	no
3.	Language(s) and/or skill(s) required	no	no
4.	Termination criteria	G.S. criteria or 3 "Cs"	no change
5.	Plan A Degree Plan requirements ³ (thesis)	no	no
6.	Plan B Degree Plan requirements ³ (non-thesis)	written and oral capstone	written and oral capstone
7.	Distribution of course levels required (At least one-half must be at 600+ level & two-thirds must be in organized courses.)	42 credits level 600 +	40 credits 600+
8.	Required courses (if applicable)	33 credits 600+	31 credits 600+
9.	Required distribution of courses within program (if applicable)	3 hrs. internship & 6 hrs. Area of Concentration	3 hrs. internship & 6 hrs. Area of Concentration
10.	Final examination requirements	yes	yes- no change

¹ Prior to filling out this form, you MUST contact the Associate Provost for Academic Administration (APAA). If you do not know the CIP code, the APAA can provide you with that during the contact.

² Program changes are typically made effective for the semester following approval. No changes will be made effective until all approvals are received.

³ If there is only one plan for the degree, plans involving a thesis (or the equivalent in studio work, etc.) should be discussed under Plan A and those not involving a thesis should be discussed under Plan B.

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11.	Explain whether the proposed changes to the program (as described in sections 1 to 10) involve courses offered by another department/program. <u>Routing Signature Log must include approval by faculty of additional department(s).</u>
	No.
12.	List any other requirements not covered above?
13.	Please explain the rationale for changes. If the rationale involves accreditation requirements, please include specific references to those requirements.
	<p>The Martin School proposes to remove the course PA 624, Government Information Systems, from the requirements for the MPA degree. This two credit hour course, once required for accreditation purposes, concerns information technology and information systems in the not for profit and government sectors. The course provides essential information for students to administer large data sets. Recently, the NASPAA accreditation standards were modified and no longer require this course as part of the core curriculum. Furthermore, the fundamental concepts of information management are already covered in other core courses. Issues concerning privacy or data protection are covered in ethics -PA681. Use of data is now adequately covered in statistics PA621 and other courses. Thus, PA 624 is redundant and obsolete to the MPA degree. This change acknowledges advances in data management through the internet and cloud databases. The MPA continues to require an appropriate forty hours of credit, and this reduction will permit some reorganization of the curriculum sequencing with practical benefit to students. The curriculum change was proposed by the MPA curriculum committee and approved unanimously by the Martin School faculty.</p>

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Signature Routing Log

General Information:


Proposal Name: PA 624 removal from MPA program

Proposal Contact Person Name: Dwight Denison Phone: 257-5742 Email: Dwight.Denison@uky.edu

INSTRUCTIONS:

Identify the groups or individuals reviewing the proposal; note the date of approval; offer a contact person for each entry; and obtain signature of person authorized to report approval.

Internal College Approvals and Course Cross-listing Approvals:

Reviewing Group	Date Approved	Contact Person (name/phone/email)	Signature
Martin School Faculty	10/25/13	Merl Hackbart / 257-1627 / M.Hackbart@uky.edu	
Graduate Council		/ /	
Dean's Signature		/ /	Jeannine Blackwell
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External-to-College Approvals:

Council	Date Approved	Signature	Approval of Revision ⁴
Undergraduate Council			
Graduate Council	3/6/14	<i>Roshan Nikou</i>	
Health Care Colleges Council			
Senate Council Approval		University Senate Approval	

Comments:

⁴ Councils use this space to indicate approval of revisions made subsequent to that council's approval, if deemed necessary by the revising council.