

REQUEST FOR CHANGE IN MASTERS DEGREE PROGRAM

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

College:	The Graduate School	Department:	Martin School of Public Policy and Administration
Current Major Name:		Proposed Major Name:	FEB 6 2015
Current Degree Title:	MPP- Master of Public Policy	Proposed Degree Title:	MPP - Master of Public Policy
Formal Option(s):		Proposed Formal Option(s):	
Specialty Fields w/in Formal Option:		Proposed Specialty Fields w/in Formal Options:	
Date of Contact with Associate Provost for Academic Administration ¹ :			
Bulletin (yr & pgs):	2013-14 p. 329	CIP Code ¹ :	44.0401
		Today's Date:	11/25/2014
Accrediting Agency (if applicable):	NASPAA National Association of Schools of Public Policy and Administration		
Requested Effective Date:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Semester following approval.	OR	<input type="checkbox"/> Specific Date ² :
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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	9
2.	Residence requirement (if applicable)	no	<i>no</i>
3.	Language(s) and/or skill(s) required	no	<i>no</i>
4.	Termination criteria	1. Receiving a grade of "C" for any 9 credits or 3 classes 2. Receiving a grade of "E" for any 3 credit hours. 3. Twice failing the final examination.	<i>No change</i>
5.	Plan A Degree Plan requirements ³ (thesis)		
6.	Plan B Degree Plan requirements ³ (non-thesis)	Final Capstone Project - written and oral presentation.	<i>No change</i>
7.	Distribution of course levels required	all required classes are 600+, two area of specialization may be 400G or 500 level. One internship	<i>no change</i>

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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		required	
(At least one-half must be at 600+ level & two-thirds must be in organized courses.)			
8.	Required courses (if applicable)	PA 621 (3) PA 795 (Math review for Policy Analysis (1) PA 622 (3) PA 631 (3) PA 642 (3) PA 651 (3) PA 652 (3) PA/ECO 680 (3) PA 681 (3) PA 690 (3) PA 692 (3) PA 711 (3) Two policy specialization classes (6)	PA 624 (3) PA 795 (Math review for Policy Analysis (1) PA 622 (3) PA 631 (3) PA 642 (3) PA 651 (3) PA 652 (3) PA 683 (3) PA 681 (3) PA 690 (3) PA 692 (3) PA 711 (3) One policy elective class (3)
9.	Required distribution of courses within program (if applicable)	ECO 201 (or equivalent) is a pre-requisite for the program.	<i>ECO 401 Intermediate microeconomics (or its equivalent) will be a pre-requisite for the program. PA 621, the basic statistics course will be dropped as a required course and added as a pre-requisite. Many incoming students will have met this course with an advanced undergraduate course in statistics. MA 123 or its equivalent (Basic college calculus) will be added as a pre-requisite. PA 624 Government Information Systems will be added. see the course change proposal. PA 683 Tax Policy is being added PA 680 Benefit-cost Analysis is being dropped</i>
10.	Final examination requirements	Oral presentation of Capstone project serves as final master's exam.	<i>no change.</i>
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>		
	PA 680 /ECO 654, Benefit Cost Analysis, which is being dropped, is a class staffed by the Dept. of Economics.		
12.	List any other requirements not covered above?		

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13.	Please explain the rationale for changes. If the rationale involves accreditation requirements, please include specific references to those requirements.
	<p>Currently, elite universities such as the University of Chicago, the University of California at Berkeley, and the University of Michigan are the major competitors for the MPP degree.</p> <p>The Martin School's MPP Committee responded to feedback from former students and the past year's external review committee of the Martin School by examining the MPP curriculum of competing institutions. As part of the review, we learned that the curriculum for the MPP was weaker than other programs in the areas of economics and data analysis. We are addressing this by increasing the prerequisites for the program (intermediate micro economics rather than simply principles of economics, basic statistics, and calculus) as well as adding two required courses that are now electives in our curriculum. These courses are PA 624 (focus on government information systems and big data management) and PA 683 (tax policy which is the reputational focus of the Martin School). The tax policy course will replace cost-benefit analysis which becomes an elective. This change aligns with the career paths of many of our graduates who become budget analysts in a variety of public and nonprofit settings. These changes strengthen our position vis-à-vis elite universities and position the Martin School to offer a "Best Value" MPP degree.</p> <p>Process: The suggestions of the committee were presented to the faculty via e-mail and discussed at a faculty meeting. Approval of the faculty was unanimous.</p>

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Signature Routing Log

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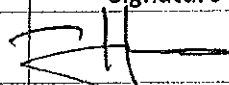
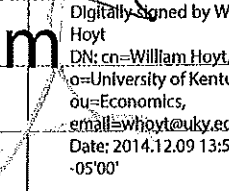
Proposal Name: Master of Public Policy Revisions

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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	11/24/2014	Merl Hackbart / 257-1627 / m.hackbart@uky.edu	
Department of Economics		William Hoyt, chair /	 Digitally signed by William Hoyt DN: cn=William Hoyt, o=University of Kentucky, ou=Economics, email=whoyt@uky.edu, c=US Date: 2014.12.09 13:58:16 -05'00'
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External-to-College Approvals:

Council	Date Approved	Signature	Approval of Revision ⁴
Undergraduate Council	NA		
Graduate Council		<i>Roshan Nikou</i>	
Health Care Colleges Council	NA		
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.

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Attachments: MPP-signed.pdf; MSPAS Proposal-signed.pdf

TO: Andrew Hippisley, Chair and Sheila Brothers, Coordinator
Senate Council

FROM: Brian Jackson, Chair and Roshan Nikou, Coordinator
Graduate Council

Graduate Council approved the following proposals and is now forwarding them to the Senate Council to approve.

Programs

Master of Public Policy
MS in Physician Assistant Studies

Courses

VS 597 Special Topics in Veterinary Science
AAD 695 Independent Study in Arts Administration
CHE 554 Biological Chemistry Laboratory
EDP 557 Gathering, Analyzing, and Using Educational Data
EXP 500 Introduction to Service - Learning

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