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October 5, 2006

TO: Kavch Tagavi  
Senate Council  
201 Main Bldg.  
CAMPUS 0032

Dear Dr. Tagavi,

At its meeting on October 5, 2006 the Graduate Council voted to approve the proposal for University Scholars Agreement with Kentucky State University. The Council submits this recommendation for the consideration of the Senate.

Thank you for your attention to this request.

Sincerely Yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jeannine Blackwell".

Jeannine Blackwell, Dean  
The Graduate School

Cc: Sheila Brothers

## Nikou, Roshan

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**From:** Graduate.Council.Web.Site@www.uky.edu  
**Sent:** Friday, September 29, 2006 2:50 PM  
**To:** Nikou, Roshan  
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**Subject:** Investigator Report

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College/Department/Unit: = enabilitation Counseling Program  
Category: = New  
Date\_for\_Council\_Review: = Oct.5, 2006  
Recommendation\_is: = Approve  
Investigator: = Tim Sineath/ SS committee  
E-mail\_Address = tsineath@uky.edu  
1\_\_Modifications: = None  
2\_\_Considerations: = Successfully responded to Graduate Council questions raised during the initial review. Primarily for clarification purposes.  
3\_\_Contacts: = Social Science Sub Committee was polled. No issues were raised.  
4\_\_Additional\_Information: =

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To: Graduate Council

From: Eric M. Anderman, Associate Dean for Research and Graduate Studies

Date: September 6, 2006

Re: University Scholars Agreement with Kentucky State University in  
Rehabilitation Counseling

Attached please find the College of Education's agreement for a joint University Scholars Program with Kentucky State University in Rehabilitation Counseling. The proposal for consideration addresses questions the Graduate Council had regarding the original program submission of June 1, 2002. This proposal had been unanimously approved by the Courses and Curricula committee in the College of Education during its meeting on December 5, 2005.

Courses and Curricula Committee Meeting  
December 5, 2005  
122 Taylor Education Building  
1:30-2:30

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Meeting called to order at 1:35 p.m. Members present were Tricia Ferrigno (EDL), Kim Miller (KHP), Joan Mazur (EDC), Jane Jensen (EPE), Lee Ann Jung (EDSRC), Keisha Love (EDP) and Associate Deans Rosetta Sandidge and Eric Anderman (ex-officio). Administrative Associate Jason Horger took notes.

New Business:

... (other business items omitted)

- **University Scholars Agreement with Kentucky State University--Rehabilitation Counseling (RC)**

Dean Anderman explained that this proposal for a joint Master's program was before the committee in anticipation of questions from the CPE, and subsequent review from the Graduate Council.

Proposal PASSED unanimously by the committee.

... (other business items omitted)

Meeting adjourned at 1:40 pm.

NEXT MEETING: March 29, 2006, 1:30 PM @ DH 109.

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November 9, 2005

To: College of Education Courses and Curricula Committee  
From: Deborah Bott Slaton, Department Chair, EDSRC  
Subject: University Scholars Agreement with Kentucky State University

The Rehabilitation Counseling Program in our department is pursuing a University Scholars agreement with Kentucky State University. We were asked by UK's Graduate Council to address a series of questions about the agreement including whether the program has approval from the College of Education's Council.

Attached please see the document in which Dr. Ralph Crystal responded to the questions from Graduate Council. At our November 1, 2005 department faculty meeting, we considered this document and the University Scholars agreement with KSU. Faculty in Special Education and Rehabilitation Counseling unanimously supported this initiative.

I am forwarding this material for your consideration. Please feel free to contact Dr. Crystal or me if additional information is required. Thank you.

October 20, 2005

TO: Chair Deborah Slaton  
 FROM: Ralph M. Crystal  
 RE: University Scholars Program

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The following is my response to the clarification request from the Graduate School for the proposed University Scholars program for the rehabilitation counseling program (RC) with Kentucky State University (KSU). The original program description for this program dated 06/01/02 and signed by Dr. Juanita Fleming for KSU and Dr. Deborah Slaton for UK is referenced as a part of this document and clarification:

1. *A Sample Program of Study is Needed*

This program is designed for KSU seniors who plan to enroll in the master of rehabilitation counseling program at the University of Kentucky. The University Scholars program will allow such individuals to be joint KSU undergraduates and UK graduate students. As a part of their senior year curriculum individuals admitted to this program would take the following 500 level UK rehabilitation counseling courses:

**Fall**

RC 515, Medical and Psychological  
Aspects of Disability I

RC 520, Principles of Rehabilitation

**Spring**

RC 510, Orientation to  
Rehabilitation

RC 516, Medical and Psychological  
Aspects of Disability

The other classes each student would take depend on that student's individual program of study at KSU. Upon graduation from KSU students in this program would then enroll in the campus rehabilitation counseling program. Such individuals would be able to complete their MRC degree in one semester less or would have the option of taking additional elective classes.

2. *The Program needs to be Approved by the College Council*

By the time this proposal comes to the Graduate Council it will have been reviewed and approved by the Department of Special Education and Rehabilitation Counseling, the College of Education Courses and Curricula Committee, and the College of Education faculty.

3. *Any Tuition Waiver Will Need to be Approved by the Provost*

No special tuition waiver is anticipated. Since students who enroll in this program will be receiving graduate credit it will be expected that they will be billed at the Graduate School rate for these classes.

4. *Why is the Patterson School Mentioned in the Proposal*

The Patterson School is mentioned because when Ralph Crystal initially spoke with the Graduate School about developing this program the Patterson School was mentioned as a model for this program since they have a similar agreement in place with Georgetown College.

## **MASTER OF REHABILITATION COUNSELING UNIVERSITY SCHOLARS PROGRAM**

### **PROGRAM DESCRIPTION**

The rehabilitation counseling program at the University of Kentucky (UK-RCP) is in the Department of Special Education and Rehabilitation Counseling (UK-EDSRC). The program educates persons at the master's degree level to work with persons with physical, emotional, and learning disabilities in terms of vocational assessment, vocational and personal and adjustment counseling, job training, and job placement. Rehabilitation counseling is an expanding profession. The counselor needs to be familiar with medical and psychological aspects of disabilities, assessment procedures, counseling techniques, adaptive and assistive technology, and be knowledgeable with employment and hiring practices as well as labor market trends.

Rehabilitation counselors are employed in a variety of public and private agencies and facilities. This includes the public rehabilitation programs, community rehabilitation facilities, hospitals, schools, as well as private practice rehabilitation programs. Rehabilitation counselors also serve in various capacities as advisors to government agencies and private employers regarding employability matters as these pertain to employment and job modifications to facilitate the placement of persons with disabilities into the labor market.

The total number of hours for the proposed University Scholars program may be up to 12 fewer hours than the total required for earning a master's degree separately. Undergraduates must meet all the requirements for the bachelor's degree specified by their respective degree programs, as well as requirements of the Graduate School and the UK-RCP. Their undergraduate department chair and the UK-RCP admissions Committee before entering into this curriculum must approve students who are admitted into this program.



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## PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

An application to the program should be submitted at the end of the student's junior year. Applicants should have completed at least 90 credit hours of work toward the bachelor's degree, or be eligible for senior standing in the semester they are admitted to the program. The student's undergraduate grade point average must be at least a 3.5 in the applicant's major field and a 3.2 cumulative. At the time of admission, admitted students would become joint KSU undergraduates, and UK graduate students.

Applicants to this University Scholars program must submit the standard UK Graduate School application form at or before the end of the junior year. Application forms are available in the Graduate School Admissions Office or on-line at [www.rgs.uky.edu/gs/gsappliation.html](http://www.rgs.uky.edu/gs/gsappliation.html). Students applying to the program are expected to submit all materials required of the Graduate School and the UK-RCP, including:

1. Two official transcripts in sealed envelopes sent to the Graduate School directly from the Registrar of Kentucky State University (KSU), as well as transcripts from any other institutions attended.
2. Official score on the Graduate Record Exam (GRE).
3. Three letters of recommendation, two academic and at least one from a KSU faculty member.
4. A UK-RCP application as well as a personal statement as outlined in the program's admissions packet. The UK-RCP program faculty will interview all applicants.

The Dean of the Graduate School, or the Director of Graduate Studies for the UK-RCP program as his nominee, will make admissions decision in consultation with the program admissions committee. Students must register in the UK Graduate School for all graduate work taken following admission to the MRC program. Students while completing their undergraduate degrees will have both an undergraduate and a graduate advisor.

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**PROGRAM STRUCTURE**

The UK-RCP requires 55-60 hours of course work, including three hours of practicum and nine hours of internship. A copy of the Patterson School's current information flyer is attached. The UK-RCP and KSU already have an Endorsement Curriculum in place. This program has been operational for approximately five years. A copy of the brochure, which describes this program, is attached.

In essence the UK-RCP offers 12 credit hours of basic courses at KSU, with two classes being offered in the fall and two in the spring semesters. Endorsement Curriculum (EC) students take these classes in their senior year and receive a certificate upon completion of this program. These classes will count towards the student's undergraduate degree. Upon completing their undergraduate degrees, EC completers will enter into the master's degree rehabilitation counseling program. They will then be able to receive their MRC degree in a shorter time frame than would otherwise be allowed. The UK-RCP is authorized for a minimum of 45 credits. The 12 EC credits would not required of the students in this program and thus would allow such students to only be required to complete 45-48 hours for their MRC degrees.

**TUITION**

During the 4<sup>th</sup> year of undergraduate study while taking the EC classes offered at KSU, students will pay tuition and fees to KSU. After completing the undergraduate degree, students would enter the rehabilitation counseling program full time and pay tuition and fees to the University of Kentucky. If federal grants become available in the future those funds would be allocated when the student enters into the University Scholars program and would be used for tuition and fees while the student is at KSU and when the student enter UK after completing his/her undergraduate degree.

Approved:

For the UK Graduate School:

For KSU: *Juanita W. Fleming*  
9/8/04

For the UK-EDSRC:

*Robert Bott*  
4/28/05

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From: Robert B. Grossman [robert.grossman@uky.edu]

Sent: Friday, November 10, 2006 2:49 PM

To: Brothers, Sheila C

Cc: Steltenkamp MD, Carol; Deem, Jodelle F; Kim, Yoonbai; Petrone, Karen; VanDyke, Eileen M; Heath, James R; Bhatt, Ramesh S; Richard B Greissman

Subject: programs approved

Hi Sheila,

The Academic Programs Committee approves the following new programs with no opposition and a positive recommendation:

University Scholars Agreement with Kentucky State Univ. in Rehabilitation Counseling

PhD in Educational Science

Dual BS/MS Engineering

We are still awaiting some answers on the Clinical Nurse Leader Track in MS Nursing before making a decision on it.

-- Bob

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**PROVOST BUDGET OFFICE**

November 27, 2006

Kaveh Tagavi, Chair  
University Senate Council  
201 Main Building  
CAMPUS 0032

Dear Dr. Tagavi:

RE: Rehabilitation Counseling University Scholars program

I am writing, on behalf of the Provost, concerning the feasibility of establishing a University Scholars program in the College of Education, Rehabilitation Counseling program. I understand the proposal has been approved by the Graduate Council which will forward its recommendation to the Academic Programs Committee of the Faculty Senate.

In the mid 1990's, the U.S. Department of Education, Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA) established a cultural diversity initiative in order to increase the number of qualified individuals from diverse backgrounds to provide vocational rehabilitation services to individuals with disabilities. The two state vocational rehabilitation agencies in Kentucky in concert with our master's level rehabilitation counseling program approached Kentucky State University (KSU) regarding establishing an educational collaboration. The resulting Endorsement Curriculum was established in 1997 and has been offered continuously since that time.

Through this program our rehabilitation counseling program currently offers a four course sequence of 500 level classes over each academic year (two classes in the fall and two in the spring) for qualified KSU seniors. Students who complete this sequence receive a certificate. They can then either seek employment with a rehabilitation agency or enter our master's rehabilitation counseling program and not have to take those four courses. These classes are part of each student's undergraduate curriculum.

The rehabilitation counseling program currently has a federal personnel preparation grant which allocates funds for tuition and a stipend for eligible students. Students in the Endorsement Curriculum, however, are not presently eligible to receive these funds. RSA has informed us that if the KSU students were also UK students they would then be eligible for grant support. Thus, the concept of the University Scholars program was proposed in which qualified KSU students in the senior year will be joint UK graduate students. The students enrolled in the University Scholars program will complete the master's degree after graduating from KSU. The four courses that students take in the University Scholars program will count toward the undergraduate degree as well as the master's degree in rehabilitation counseling. There

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is no intention of replacing the Endorsement Curriculum with the University Scholars program. Both the certificate based Endorsement Curriculum (currently in place) and the degree based University Scholars program will be available for KSU students.

The Rehabilitation Counseling program has offered the Endorsement Curriculum for nine years, and the University Scholars program will require no additional faculty or financial resources. The courses that are currently offered as a part of the Endorsement Curriculum will continue to be offered as part of the University Scholars program and taught as distance education offerings via interactive video and web based instruction.

The University Scholars program will solidify the rehabilitation counseling program's relationship with KSU and address diversity issues with regard to having a well qualified and diverse rehabilitation counseling work force. It will also continue to keep us competitive for federal personnel preparation and related grants. Although the University Scholars program will not be dependent on grant support, the current federal grant that the rehabilitation counseling program has is \$750,000.

This proposal has been reviewed by the rehabilitation counseling program faculty, Department of Special Education and Rehabilitation Counseling, the College of Education, and the Graduate Council. It builds on an existing program and requires no additional financial or faculty resources. I am certifying this program as administratively feasible.

Sincerely,



Karen T. Combs  
Vice Provost for Budget and Administrative Services

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Heidi Anderson  
Jeannine Blackwell  
Connie Ray  
Phil Kraemer