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From: Schroeder, Margaret <m.mohr@uky.edu>
Sent: Thursday, April 30, 2015 12:08 PM
To: Hippisley, Andrew R; Brothers, Sheila C
Subject: Proposed new 3+3 Program: "UK BLUE"

Attachments: 3+3 _UK BLUE Revised.pdf

Proposed New 3+3 Program: "UK BLUE" - BA History, Political Science, or English and JD Law

This is a recommendation that the University Senate approve the establishment of a new 3+3 Program: BA History, Political Science, or English and JD Law within the College of Arts & Sciences and the College of Law

Please find the revised proposal attached.

Best-

Margaret

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Memo

From: UK BLUE Committee, College of Arts and Sciences and College of Law

David Brennen, Dean, College of Law

Mary Davis, Stites and Harbison Professor of Law

Jeff Clymer, Chair, department of English Karen Petrone, Chair, department of History

Ernie Yanarella, Chair, department of Political Science

Anna Bosch, A&S Associate Dean for Undergraduate Programs

To: Senate Academic Programs Committee

Re: Responses to questions posed by the Senate Academic Programs Committee

Date: April 28, 2015

1) What is the need for the program?

The purpose of this program is to attract and retain the best and brightest students who are already interested in a legal education, highly motivated, and who are often going to other Universities and law schools for their education. The combination of a reduced number of years to a law degree with the resulting reduction in tuition will keep some of these stellar students at UK, as an undergraduate and at the College of Law. The program will benefit students by allowing them to complete their education in an accelerated manner. It will benefit the departments by allowing the recruitment of especially strong and motivated undergraduates; and it will benefit the university by providing an exciting and innovative program to prospective applicants who – without this program - may well have chosen another university other than UK. It will benefit the UK College of Law by allowing Law School faculty to participate in the mentoring of select, highly motivated undergraduates during the students' undergraduate careers, thus increasing the preparedness of top candidates to the College of Law. This program will enable highachieving and strongly motivated students to earn the BA and JD in six years, thus reducing by one year the customary time to complete both degrees. It provides both an expedited career path and significant financial savings to motivated students.

2) What is the anticipated number of students each year in the program? What extra resources are needed to implement? (We see that A&S has already hired a special advisor but that doesn't have bearing on this committee and its decisions).

We expect no more than 10-12 students will be accepted into this program annually, using the existing BS/MD program as our model. The BS/MD program emphasizes the selectivity of the program and advertises an entering class of no more than 5-10 students per year (https://meded.med.uky.edu/admission-process). We also take into consideration the declared majors of entering students: over the past 10 years, we see approximately 30 entering English majors annually; 30 freshmen entering as History majors, and 90-100 entering Political Science majors. Applicants to the BLUE program presumably would come from these cohorts.

No extra resources from the College of Arts and Sciences are needed for this program. The advisor recently hired by A&S would be serving A&S students in any case, and will continue to do so through this program. Students will complete the UK Core, College, and Major requirements for their majors as usual, but in an accelerated timeline. If

anything, the program could be seen to result in a conservation of resources as students will complete 30 credit hours of the undergraduate degree through UK Law courses, rather than in A&S courses. Some A&S resources will be reassigned to co-curricular programming for these students but that amount is minimal within the college budget as a whole.

No additional resources are required by the College of Law, since students admitted into UK Law will follow the usual and prescribed curriculum.

3) There is already a path for pre-law at UK; how is this different and why is this needed?

There is not really a pre-Law curriculum at UK; as the Undergraduate Studies pre-Law website indicates, "there is no specified undergraduate degree program required for entry into Law school." The BLUE program encompasses the three undergraduate majors that currently send the largest number of well-qualified students to UK Law, according to our UK Law colleagues. The program is beneficial to students as it allows students to accelerate the completion of their BA/JD by one full year, by permitting 30 credit hours to serve as credit toward both the undergraduate professional degrees. In this it can be compared to the BS/MD program offered through Biology and the College of Medicine, or any of the University Scholars Programs already available on campus.

Like the Honors Program and these other selective programs, the BLUE program holds the potential of significantly influencing the decisions of top prospective students to attend UK rather than a competitor university.

4) What is the rationale for just choosing history, political science, and English?

We see this as a pilot program which may eventually be expanded. These three departments were selected to pilot the 3+3 program for two reasons. First, these are the three degree programs that currently send the most well-qualified students to the University of Kentucky's law school. In order to make that determination, they reviewed five years' worth of admission data, and it was determined that history, political science, and English were the top majors for UK undergraduate students applying to and admitted to the UK College of Law. Second, upon close examination, the undergraduate requirements for these three majors had enough flexibility that all requirements for the BA could be completed within 3 years, with the exception of the total required 120 credit hours. The committee found we were able to create a BLUE track within each major without compromising major or university requirements in any way. If the program proves successful after 5 years the College will consider whether to support additional tracks in the BLUE program.

5) Is there a shortage of lawyers for which this program responds to?

The legal market is not driving this proposal in anyway. Rather, the College of Law is interested in attracting the best and brightest students from UK. Every year we lose some excellent UK undergraduates and we seek to keep those students in our own fine program of legal education.

6) Are there other institutions, especially peer institutions that have similar programs?

Yes. Approximately 60 schools have some kind of a dual BA/JD program all across the ranking spectrum: Columbia, Penn, Chicago, and Fordham are examples of private universities of high repute with such programs. UK "Benchmark" Schools with such programs include Kansas University, Missouri-Columbia, Pittsburgh, South Carolina, and Nebraska. These programs are increasingly popular as the law school applicant pool has shrunk over the past five years and public universities in particular seek to retain an advantage among the most highly credentialed applicants.

7) What is the retention of law students in the college from year 1 to year 3? (The rationale for this question stems from the concern that students who finish Year 1 of Law school and may decide it's not for them will have to revert back to a "regular track" BA program).

The College of Law retention rate is typically 100%. We on occasion lose one or two students in the first year for the reason mentioned. We rarely lose students after the first year for "I don't like law school" reasons. We also rarely lose law students for academic reasons.

There is no reason a student who finishes the first year of law school in the BLUE program would have to revert back to a "regular track" BA program. The first year of law school is the final year of the four-year BA degree and, assuming the student finishes with a grade point average that permits graduation under the University's academic regulations, that student will graduate with a Bachelor's degree after the first year of law school.

8) Is there a better way to facilitate the students who decide not to finish law school (after Year 1 for example)? If they finish year 1 but do not start year 2 or decide not to continue, will they still automatically get the BA in their major or will they have to go back and complete the extra 30 hours? It is clear from the current proposal that students who do not get into Law school or opt out BEFORE starting year 4 will revert back to the "regular track" and finish out their 4th year with the last 30 hours of their program. It is not clear what happens if they quit after year 1 of law school/year 4, although the proposal states that at the end of year 4, the bachelor's degree will be awarded.

We believe we have accommodated every eventuality, in the student's favor. We don't foresee any negative consequences for a student who starts out in the BLUE track of their chosen major. A student in the BLUE program always has the option of changing to the 'traditional track' within their major, and opting out of pursing Law school. The student will simply complete the fourth year of the BA degree by taking elective credits as required by the College and the Major.

In addition, a student who is accepted to UK Law and successfully completes the first year of law school will graduate with a BA degree in their chosen major (History, English, and Political Science). At the end of the 4th year (first year of UK Law) the student will have completed all requirements for the BA degree and may elect to step out of Law school at that time with no penalty. The successful completion of 30 credit hours of UK Law classes will complete the 120 credits required for the BA degree.

The student who fails one or more UK Law classes in the first year will need to successfully complete 120 credit hours to earn his or her BA degree; any additional (make-up) credit hours could come from any undergraduate class at UK if the student elects not to continue in Law School.

9) The only support letters provided are from the 2 deans and the UK PR office. Please provide support letters from the three departments.

Please see attached.

10) Please provide meeting minutes where these programs were voted on and passed at the (a) departmental levels (indicating the faculty are aware that they are program faculty in this new program option); and (b) at the college levels (this is provided by the College of Law however it indicates there will be another approval and the evidence of that is not provided).

The College of Law faculty met on December 16, 2014 and voted unanimously to approve the UK-BLUE program by amending our Admissions policy to permit consideration of BLUE students for law school admission. The faculty meeting minutes reflecting this vote are attached.

The A&S Educational Policy Committee reviewed and approved this program December 2, 2014. Please see attached.

Memo #2

From: UK BLUE Committee, College of Arts and Sciences and College of Law

David Brennen, Dean, College of Law

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Jeff Clymer, Chair, department of English Karen Petrone, Chair, department of History

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To: Senate Academic Programs Committee

Re: Responses to questions posed by the Senate Academic Programs Committee

Date: April 29, 2015

1. How many BLUE students are likely to be rejected each year by the UK Law School? What percent of BLUE students does the UK Law School expect to admit to the law school? Does anyone know what these same statistics are for the similar 3+3 med school program?

With the academic success these students have shown throughout high school, we have no reason to doubt their success in their undergraduate studies. With the advising and mentoring pieces, it is believed that these students will perform well academically and be competitive for admission to law school. We anticipate that very few BLUE students will be rejected because the students we are trying to attract already have strong indicators of academic success. However, all law school applicants must have strong credentials and these BLUE students will be subject to the College of Law admissions process along with all other College of Law applicants. We expect these students to exceed our LSAT/GPA medians and they will therefore likely be admitted. It is impossible to predict how many will be admitted, but we anticipate between 80-100%. We do not have access to admissions data from other law schools or the UK medical school, but informal communication with Dr. Phil Bonner (BSMD) suggests that "very few – can't be more than about 2" were not admitted to Med school over the past 6 or 7 years of admission cycles.

2. Are BLUE students that are not admitted to UK Law School in their junior years kicked out of the BLUE program?

While it is no one's intention that these students will not be successful in gaining admission to law school, these students could theoretically be denied admission and would then complete the remaining credits required for the standard BA degree. At the point they are applying to law school, they would still be in the BLUE program and if unsuccessful, they would return to the traditional BA program for their senior year (not during their junior year). These students would still be on track to graduate in 4 years. In their senior year, on track to complete the traditional BA degree, they could apply to law school elsewhere if they remain committed to a legal career.

3. How will undergraduate versus JD GPA calculations be made for BLUE students?

UK College of Law grades are calculated on the same basis as other UK grades. The first year grades will be calculated as 4th year grades for the undergraduate degree and with the remaining law school grades for the law degree.

4. Could a BLUE student complete year 1 at UK Law School (aka "year 4") and then transfer to another law school?

Theoretically, it would be possible for a student to transfer after completing the first year of law school. This would be entirely up to the other law school. However, a BLUE student will have a UK undergraduate degree after the first year of law school, assuming adequate academic performance, so it is likely transfer would be possible if desired. Law school transfer admissions policies vary widely, so it's impossible to know how students wishing to transfer out of UK Law would fare in the transfer process. UK Law has a low percentage of students that transfer during their second year. We have no reason to believe the BLUE students would not continue to follow that trend. Secondly, the ability to apply for scholarships as a transfer student are not always prevalent, so the cost factor becomes especially important when considering transfer options.

5. Would a BLUE student be eligible to participate in the joint JD and MBA, MPA, or MA (Patterson School) programs?

While we believe it would be possible for BLUE students to pursue the existing dual degree programs offered by the College of Law, the respective Colleges would ultimately decide the admission for their students. However, we would consider the BLUE students eligible to apply for the existing dual degree programs when they submit their application to the UK College of Law.

6. Suppose someone complete 30 college credits in HS and enters UK as a sophomore. Would this student, if a BLUE student, be allowed to apply to UK Law School in his/her second year at UK?

UK annually admits a number of highly accomplished students who may have 30 or more credits towards a bachelors' degree; students arriving from the Gatton Academy (WKU residential High School program) may have as many as 60 credits upon enrollment at UK. If admitted into BLUE, these students would be advised on a case by case basis. They already take various paths toward graduation: some of them may choose to graduate in 2-3 years of undergraduate work at UK; some of them pursue double majors or additional certificate programs; and some elect to pursue a University Scholars Program for an advanced degree. Even students who enter UK having satisfied all their UK core requirements would need a minimum of 2 years as A&S undergraduates in order to fulfill the specific requirements of the major degree (HIS, PS, or ENG), plus the A&S foreign language requirement, for example. Professional and faculty advisors will work with these students to ensure they understand the options available to them.

To: Dr. Margaret Schroeder, Chair, Academic Programs Committee

Dr. Andrew Hippisley, Chair, Senate Council

From: Karen Badger, Chair, Undergraduate Council

Re: Bachelor to Law Undergraduate Education (UK Blue 3 + 3 Law) Program Proposal

Date: April 1, 2015

The Bachelor to Law Undergraduate Education (UK Blue 3 + 3 Law) was approved by UGC on March 31st, 2015, with the plan to pass on that the UGC review process included addressing concerns related to the advising component in the pilot program.

The pilot program includes the provision of advising for students enrolled in the program, which was initially described as provided by an "A&S Pre-law Advisor." Pre-law advising is an assigned responsibility in a campus unit (Undergraduate Studies), which raised the question regarding potential duplication and confusion among students and other Colleges/units. Dr. Phil Kraemer, chair of the University Senate Advising Committee, was asked for his review and he advised that if the advising targeted students in a specific program it was not seen as presenting a conflict.

Since the advisor description was more general, the College was asked to change the language used in order to clarify the scope of these advising activities. After discussions occurred in UGC and between the Associate Provost of Undergraduate Education and the College's Dean and Associate Dean, the issue was resolved for this proposal by a change of wording from "A&S Pre-Law Advisor" to "A&S Advisor assigned to this program." This change was sufficient enough to resolve this issue in UGC for the purposes of the pilot program. It may or may not be a concern in subsequent reviews that involve resources and specialized advising needs should the program become permanent or involve participation of majors across colleges.



December 8, 2014

To whom it may concern:

I am writing in strongest support of the collaboration project between the College of Arts and Sciences and the College of Law, UK BLUE. This accelerated degree option, UK BLUE (Bachelor-to-Law Undergraduate Education), informally known as a "3+3" program, will enable high-achieving and strongly motivated students to earn the BA and JD in six years, thus reducing the customary time to complete both degrees by one year.

Students in the program will benefit from experiencing a particularly rigorous, challenging and rewarding academic career. Participating students will have a natural cohort of academically motivated peers during their undergraduate years. Over the course of their initial three years, students will also be offered enrichment activities in the College of Law that acquaint them with the legal, clinical, community service, and career opportunities that a law degree makes possible.

Many benefits will also accrue to the University of Kentucky. Similar programs at other institutions have proven to be successful tools for recruiting top-tier students. While admission to the program will be selective and limited, the program will also have a ripple effect throughout the pre-law student community: UK BLUE can become a hub for a more coherent and wider array of courses, activities, and intellectual programming for other students who are considering attending law school after graduation. We thus expect the program to enhance undergraduate engagement and retention.

The College of Arts and Sciences is fully equipped with faculty, advisors and staff for this program. We look forward to a successful collaboration with the College of Law.

Sincerely,

Mark Lawrence Kornbluh

Dean



University of Kentucky Legal Education Accelerated Program – UK BLUE

Proposal submitted by the departments of English, History, and Political Science; and the College of Arts and Sciences, In collaboration with the College of Law, University of Kentucky

November 20, 2014

INTRODUCTION AND JUSTIFICATION

The College of Arts & Sciences and the College of Law propose to offer an accelerated Bachelor of Arts/Juris Doctor degree option. The two colleges have collaborated on this joint effort, and faculties of both colleges are supportive. This accelerated degree option, UK BLUE (Bachelor-to-Law Undergraduate Education), informally known as a "3+3" program, will enable high-achieving and strongly motivated students to earn the BA and JD in six years, thus reducing by one year the customary time to complete both degrees. Because this degree option will enable students to complete all academic requirements for the BA and JD within an accelerated time-frame, admission to the program will be limited to incoming freshmen. Students will have to apply to the UK College of Law in their junior year, for admission into UK Law in their fourth year at UK. The student will earn the Bachelor's degree upon completion of 120 credit hours, and completion of all requirements for the BA in the specific major.

Students will earn their BA degrees within already established majors. Initially, the program will offer admitted students the opportunity to major in English, History, or Political Science, the three degree programs that currently send the most well-qualified students to the University of Kentucky's law school. Because the program will be rigorous and focused, a minimum ACT or SAT score and a minimum high school GPA will be necessary for admission. There will be a selective admissions process for students applying to UK BLUE; students must select English, History, or Political Science as their major, at least initially.

While the Bachelor to Law program is restricted to majors in English, History, and Political Science in this preliminary phase, we plan to assess our program within five years and make further recommendations for expanding the BLUE degree options at that time.

This program will appeal strongly to talented, mature students who know early in their academic career that they ultimately wish to pursue a law degree. These students are often ambitious and possess a level of commitment to academic study that distinguishes them from their peers. The Colleges of Arts & Sciences and Law very much want to draw these students to the University of Kentucky, and, even more, provide them with academic programming that matches their level of skill and dedication.

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ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

STEERING COMMITTEE

The BLUE steering committee will consist of the Director of Undergraduate Studies of each affiliated department (English, History, and Political Science), plus an A&S advisor assigned to this program, plus a designated faculty member from the UK College of Law admissions committee. The steering committee will be charged with overseeing the admission of freshmen, assessing the program annually, and proposing any needed changes or modifications to the curriculum or management of the program over time.

FACULTY OF RECORD

The BLUE Faculty of Record will consist of all faculty in English, History, and Political Science, as well as faculty teaching the first-year Law School curriculum (1L). No regular meetings will be scheduled as a group, but information will be shared among the Faculty of Record as needed by email and through members of the steering committee.

ASSESSMENT OF PROGRAM

Each department (English, History, Political Science) will assess students' attainment of student learning outcomes as a part of the programmatic assessment plan for the particular major. The BLUE curriculum, though condensed, retains all the specific course requirements of the major curriculum in each department.

At the end of each student's 4th year (first year at UK law), A&S will request a summary report on the progress of BLUE students completing their first year in Law. Since BLUE students enrolled in UK LAW will need to complete first-year Law classes satisfactorily to receive the final credit hours towards the Bachelor's degree, this follow-up on successful course completion will be necessary and automatic. BLUE students will retain contact with the A&S advisor assigned to this program until their receipt of the Bachelor's degree in May of Year Four.

In addition, A&S administrative staff will keep records of the following student data:

- a. Numbers and demographics of High School seniors applying, accepted, and enrolled in BLUE;
- b. Progress to degree (BA) of enrolled candidates;
- c. Numbers and demographics of BLUE student applications, acceptances, and enrollments in UK Law;
- d. Progress to degree (JD) of admitted UK Law candidates;

- e. Additional information on career trajectories of students who do not apply/ are not accepted/ do not enroll in UK Law;
- f. Follow-up student satisfaction surveys at regular intervals;
- g. Robust information about BLUE alumni, etc.

PROCEDURE FOR APPLICATION AND ADMISSION TO PROGRAM

ADMISSIONS PROCESS:

Admission to UK BLUE is selective and competitive; students are expected to maintain a rigorous schedule in order to complete 90 hours and all required courses for the undergraduate major in three years (6 semesters). This is a dual-credit degree program in that the first year of Law school courses (30 credit hours) will count towards the total 120 credit hours required for the Bachelor's degree.

Admission to UK BLUE does not guarantee admission to the UK Law School; students will have to apply separately to UK Law in the fall of their third year at UK. These students will be considered by the Law Admissions Committee in the regular course of the Admissions process with all other applicants in that year. However, meeting the minimum program expectations, performing well on the LSAT, and demonstrating a commitment to academic success will result in a very competitive application for admission to UK Law School. Students will receive personalized advising from an A&S advisor assigned to this prgoram throughout their academic career in UK BLUE.

Each student will need to apply separately to UK Law by January 31 of their junior (third) year at UK. The student's application will be reviewed in the pool of all applications received by UK Law. However, a student with a strong academic record and competitive LSAT score will be a strong candidate for admission to UK Law.

CRITERIA FOR ADMISSIONS CONSIDERATION

High school grade-point average: a minimum of 3.5 unweighted GPA

• ACT score: 29 and above

SAT score: 1290 and above M+CRUK BLUE admission application

Additional admission factors to be considered:

- Extracurricular involvement
- AP or IB credit
- Good interpersonal skills

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

1. UK Admission and Scholarships: Submit your UK Undergraduate Admission and competitive Academic Scholarship application online at www.applyuk.com, or through the Common application at commonapp. You must declare English, History, or Political Science as your major.

- UK BLUE Admission Application: Submit your UK BLUE Admission Application online at
 <u>TBD</u>. Along with the application, the personal essay and letter of recommendation also
 are submitted in this manner.
- 3. Applications to UK BLUE will be reviewed by a committee consisting of faculty members from English, History, and Political Science, and a member of the UK Law School Admissions committee.

INFORMATION FOR PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS

APPLICATION CYCLE

The Application cycle is August 1, 2015 through December 1, 2015, for enrollment as a UK BLUE freshman majoring in English, History, or Political Science the following August.

TUITION AND FEES

Students are responsible for payment of all tuition and fees for the BLUE accelerated course of study. Specifically, students will pay the undergraduate tuition rate (Resident or Non-Resident) for the first three years of study, and (pending acceptance to UK College of Law) thereafter they will be assessed at the College of Law rate.

Both need-based and merit-based financial assistance programs are available to all undergraduate students. Students are encouraged to learn more about <u>financial aid and scholarship programs</u> at the University of Kentucky. There are no scholarships specifically designated for UK BLUE applicants.

ONCE ENROLLED AT UK

Once accepted into the UK BLUE accelerated program, students are expected to follow the recommended curriculum, participate in recommended extra-curricular activities, and maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.5 (B+). With satisfactory progress in the program by the end of the fourth semester, students should plan to take the LSAT during June/July between Sophomore and Junior year. Students will apply to UK Law between September 1 and January 31 of their 3rd (Junior) year, for enrollment in UK College of Law (if accepted) in August of their 4th (Senior) year.

Students who receive AP or IB credit prior to enrolling at UK will be able to devote more time to elective course work as undergraduates, despite the rigorous and compact BLUE curriculum. Similarly, it is highly recommended that students enroll in two or more years of foreign or world language while in high school, with the intention of placing into the required language classes at the 200-level or above when planning their UK schedule as a first year undergraduate.

If a student follows the required curriculum, and applies and is admitted to the UK College of Law, the successful student will graduate with a Bachelor of Arts degree in May of his or her 4th year, and with a UK Law degree in May of his or her 6th year.

SCHOLARSHIP AND FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION

Competitive and automatic renewable scholarships awarded by the Office of Academic Scholarships to incoming UK Freshmen will continue over the first eight semesters of a student's enrollment at UK. Scholarship awards that are designated to cover undergraduate tuition and fees may be applied to UK Law School tuition, at the student's undergraduate tuition and fee rate, during the 4th year, once a student has been accepted, and enrolled, into UK Law.

EXAMPLE OF 3+3 CURRICULUM AND TIMELINE

Please note, this is an example only; details vary depending on the chosen undergraduate major.

Year One: Undergraduate courses, including UK Core (30 credit hours).

Year Two: Undergraduate courses, including UK Core, pre-major, and major courses (30 credit hours). Student takes LSAT exams during the summer after Year Two.

Year Three: Undergraduate courses, including courses to satisfy Major requirements (30 credit hours). Student applies to UK Law in fall of Year Three. Student receives notification of acceptance to UK Law in March of Year Three.

Year Four: (pending admission to UK Law): Law School curriculum (30 credit hours)
May: graduation; Bachelor's degree awarded upon successful completion of UK BLUE curriculum.

Year Five: UK Law courses

Year Six: UK Law courses

May of Year Six: graduation; JD degree awarded upon successful completion of Law School Curriculum.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

WHAT IF...?

What if the student decides by year 3 that she or he is no longer interested in applying to law school? If you elect not to apply to law school, there is no penalty, since you are already on track to graduate with a Bachelor's degree in a particular field. If you elect not to attend law school, you will simply complete year 4 with 30 credit hours of coursework to satisfy the usual requirements of your major. Academic advisors and a faculty mentor will work with you to ensure that you complete your degree in four years, and to provide career and graduate or professional school advice in a timely manner.

What if the student wants to change majors? You may not remain in UK BLUE if you wish to change your major, given the rigorous and specific curriculum you must follow to complete the bachelor's degree requirements of your chosen major within three years. If you prefer to change your major, you may still be able to graduate within four years, depending on the requirements of the new major, and of course even in this case you may be able to apply to Law School during your senior year, as most Law School applicants do. The main difference will be that you will not be able to take the first year of UK Law

courses to count toward the credit hour requirements of your bachelor's degree, if you elect to change your major.

What if the student enrolls in Law school but is unhappy or unsuccessful in that curriculum? We have every expectation that students admitted into the UK College of Law will be able to succeed in the Law school curriculum. However, if you perform poorly, or if for any reason you wish to withdraw from UK Law School, you will be able to reenroll as an undergraduate to complete the UK B.A. degree in your chosen major (English, History, Political Science). You will simply need to complete the 120 required credit hours to earn your bachelor's degree. Your academic advisor and faculty mentor will help you find the information you need to make an informed decision about your coursework and your future plans.

What if the student wants to attend Law school, but not at UK? If you wish to attend Law school elsewhere, you will first need to complete your bachelor's degree requirements at UK, including all requirements for the major, and the 120 credit hours required for receipt of the BA. Depending on your AP credits and other types of credit for prior learning, it is likely that you will need to complete four years of coursework as an undergraduate at UK. Credits earned at another Law School cannot be considered toward your UK Bachelor's degree. Your academic advisor and faculty mentor will help you find the information you need to make an informed decision about your coursework and your future plans. Your advisor and faculty mentors will assist you no matter what employment, professional or graduate program you choose to pursue.

Additional Material in support of degree program:

Email from Professor David Brennen, Dean of the UK College of Law, in support of the program:

From: Brennen, David A

Sent: Sunday, November 16, 2014 9:24 PM

To: Bosch, Anna

Cc: Kornbluh, Mark; Davis, Mary J

Subject: 6 year BA-to-JD Program Proposal

Dear Dr. Bosch:

The College of Law Faculty is in support of a proposed 6 year BA-to-JD program being developed by the College of Arts and Sciences. The College of Law faculty met on September 24, 2014, and gave unanimous support for the general contours of a 6 year BA-to-JD program consistent with the discussions you have had with Director of Admissions Toni Robinson and Prof. Mary Davis, chair of the Law Admissions Committee. The College of Law Faculty and I are enthusiastic about such a program.

Our next step in this process involve deliberation of the Admissions Committee of the specific proposal which is now being prepared under your direction, a copy of which we have seen and reviewed. The Admissions Committee will report to the law faculty and the law faculty will be asked to formally approve the proposal and amend our College of Law admissions policy to reflect it. That meeting should take place before the end of calendar year 2014.

Thank you again for your leadership of this effort. Please let Director Robinson or Prof. Davis know if you have any additional questions or needs in this process.

Sincerely,

David A. Brennen,

Dean and Professor of Law

David A. Brennen
Dean and Professor of Law
University of Kentucky College of Law

First email (9/26/2014) from Mia Alexander-Snow, Director of Planning and Institutional Effectiveness, regarding the proposal of a new tracks within an existing degree program:

From: Alexander-Snow, Mia

Sent: Friday, September 26, 2014 12:42 PM

To: Bosch, Anna

Subject: RE: option within a major

Anna,

No, the option does not need to have CPE approval; it just needs approval by University senate councils (as applicable). Just a note: options at the undergraduate level are now called 'tracks', at master's level 'concentration' and doctoral level 'specialty.'

Thanks, Mia

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Second email (11/18/2014) from Mia Alexander-Snow, Director of Planning and Institutional Effectiveness, regarding CIP codes and tracks within an existing degree program:

From: Alexander-Snow, Mia

Sent: Tuesday, November 18, 2014 8:45 PM

To: Bosch, Anna

Subject: RE: CIP codes for ENG, HIS, PoliSci

Dear Anna,

[...]

You are correct, there is no need to have separate CIP codes for the tracks. You only need the CIP codes for the 3 disciplines:

- English (16.0102)
- History (54.0101)
- Political Science (45.1001)

Also, because these are "tracks" and the proposed program modifications do not reflect a 'significant departure' from current practices, utilize existing resources, faculty and library resources, and is repackaging of already existing courses, I do not anticipate the program modifications as constituting substantive change.

Please let me know if you need additional information.

Thanks, Mia

Mia Alexander-Snow, PhD Phone: 859-257-2873 Fax: 859-323-8688

Email from Jay Blanton, Director of UK Public Relations, in support of BLUE – "Bachelor to Law Undergraduate Education"

From: Blanton, Jay

Sent: Thursday, November 20, 2014 10:56 AM

To: Bosch, Anna

Cc: Davis, Mary J; Witt, Don

Subject: Re: new degree program - your advice requested

Hi Dr. Bosch, thanks for reaching out. Tina (our marketing counterpart in law) and I had a brief exchange about this issue. I mentioned to her that I thought the name BLUE was and is great for a new program. We are very comfortable with that and very appreciative you asked for our input. The only thing I added is that we would want to stay away from the development of a secondary logo for the program that would compete with UK or the college logos. I realize there are other things in between (graphic treatments for the name of the program) that would need to be fleshed out and we are happy to work with you all on that process.

But I really like the name. Let us know how we can help in promoting. I know we will be working with Don to incorporate into materials.

Let me know if all that helps or adds confusion:)

Thanks so much and hope you are well.

1. General Information

College: Arts & Sciences		Dej	Department: Political Science		<u>nce</u>
Current Major Name: Political Science			Proposed Major Name:		no change
Current Degree Title:	<u>B.A.</u>		Proposed D	egree Title:	no change
Formal Option(s): _		Pro	pposed Formo	al Option(s):	Political Science BLUE ("Bachelor to Law Undergraduate Education" - 6 year program toward both a BA in Political Science and a JD from UK Law School
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Specialty Field w/in Formal Option:		Proposed Specia w/in Formal Opt		•	
Date of Contact with	Associate Provost for Acade	emic Adm	inistration ¹ :		(email exchange between Mia Snow and Anna Bosch)
Bulletin (yr & pgs): $\frac{'14-'15 \text{ pp}}{178-179}$ CIP Code ¹ : $\frac{45.1001}{1000}$ Today's Date: $\frac{28 \text{ Oct. } 2000}{1000}$			Today's Date: 28 Oct. 2014		
Accrediting Agency (if applicable):					
Requested Effective Date: Semester following approval. OR Specific Date ² :					
Dept. Contact Person: Stephen Voss Phone: 333-0423 Email: dsvoss@uky.edu					

2. General Education Curriculum for this Program:

The new General Education curriculum is comprised of the equivalent of 30 credit hours of course work. There are, however, some courses that exceed 3 credits & this would result in more than 30 credits in some majors.

- There is no foreign language requirement for the new Gen Ed curriculum.
- There is no General Education Electives requirement.

Please list the courses/credit hours currently used to fulfill the University Studies/General Education curriculum: No change. So see the "suggested" list below.

Intellectual Inquiry (one course in each area)		
. Intellectual Inquiry (one course in each area)		
Arts and Creativity	<u>any</u>	<u>3</u>
Humanities	any	<u>3</u>
Social Sciences	<u>PS 235</u>	<u>3</u>
Natural/Physical/Mathematical	any	<u>3</u>

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Composition and Communication II	CIS or WRD 111	3	
III. Quantitative Reasoning (one course in each area)			
Quantitative Foundations ³	any	<u>3</u>	
Statistical Inferential Reasoning	<u>any</u>	<u>3</u>	
IV. Citizenship (one course in each area)			
Community, Culture and Citizenship in the USA	<u>PS 101</u>	<u>3</u>	
Global Dynamics	<u>PS 210</u>	<u>3</u>	
Total General Education Hours 30 (no change			

3. Explain whether the proposed changes to the program (as described in sections 4 to 12) involve courses offered by another department/program. Routing Signature Log must include approval by faculty of additional department(s).

For the current Political Science B.A. degree, nine additional hours at the 200+ level outside of Political Science are required Under this proposed plan these nine hours would be satisfied by classes in the first year law school curriculum (LAW). Further, additional hours to reach 120 total credit hours will be fulfilled by LAW courses.

4. Explain how satisfaction of the University Graduation Writing Requirement will be changed.

Current	Proposed	
Standard University course offering. List:	Standard University course offering. List:	
Specific course – list: WRD 304	Specific course) – list: WRD 304 (no change)	

5. List any changes to college-level requirements that must be satisfied.

Current		Proposed		
Standard college requirement.		Standard college requirement.		
List:		List:		
Specific required course – list:	PS 372, which satisfies the A&S Lab/Field Work requirement, is now required	Specific course – list:	PS 372, which satisfies the A&S Lab/Field Work requirement, is now required (no change).	

6. List pre-major or pre-professional course requirements that will change, including credit hours.

Current	Proposed
<u>PS 101</u>	<u>PS 101</u>
<u>PS 210</u>	<u>PS 210</u>
PS 2359	<i>PS 2359</i>
	(no change)

7. List the major's course requirements that will change, including credit hours.

³ Note that MA 109 is NOT approved as a Quantitative Foundations course. Students in a major requiring calculus will use a calculus course (MA 113, 123, 137 or 138) while students not requiring calculus should take MA 111, PHI 120 or another approved course.

Current

Major/Core Requirements

After being introduced to each undergraduate field, Political Science majors must take an additional 42 hours of course work that combines both (1) courses within the discipline and (2) courses covering topics related to the discipline but offered by other programs. These 42 hours, of which 27 must be at the 300+ level, are divided as follows.

Disciplinary Courses

Proposed

Major/Core Requirements

After being introduced to each undergraduate field, Political Science majors must take an additional 42 hours of course work that combines both (1) courses within the discipline and (2) courses covering topics related to the discipline but offered by other programs. These 42 hours, of which 27 must be at the 300+ level, are divided as follows.

Disciplinary Courses

<u>Introduction to Political Methodology</u> PS 3723

Students must take 30 additional credit hours of Political Science course work, of which at least 15 hours must be at the 400+ level......30

Coursework Outside the Discipline

Graduation Composition and Communication Requirement (GCCR)
WRD 304 (advanced writing requirement)

Plus choose nine credit hours of course work that is offered outside the major department but contributes to a better understanding of political and social science. Specifically, students may select any course offered at the 200-level or above by the following programs: AAS, ANT, ECO, GEO, GWS, HIS, HON, PCE, PHI, PSY, SOC, and STA. Specific courses from other programs related to the concentration may be substituted, subject to the approval of the Director

Coursework Outside the Discipline

<u>Graduation Composition and</u>
<u>Communication Requirement (GCCR)</u>
WRD 304 (advanced writing requirement)

Plus nine credit hours of course work outside the major that contributes to a better understanding of Political Science and the legal system. In the BLUE track these nine hours are satisfied by first year classes in the law school rather than in the allied disciplines, once a studetn applies and is accepted to UK Law school..

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of Undergraduate Studies9			
Major/Core hours: 42	Major/Ca	ore hours:	42
Does the pgm require a minor AND does the proposed change of "Yes," indicate current courses and proposed changes be		e required minor?	N/A ☐ Yes ☐ I
Current	Proposed	1	
Does the proposed change affect any option(s)?			□ N/A □ Yes □
If "Yes," indicate current courses and proposed changes be subspecialties, if any.	low, includi	ng credit hours, ar	
Current	Proposed	1	
There is no current option for students in Political			ıld create an option for
Science who plan to attend law school.	The current proposal would create an option qualified students who want to complete all the specific coursework for their BA in three years, finish the hours necessary to complete it was attending their first year of law school. It would them the option of earning a four year degree BA) and a three year degree (the JD) in a total (rather than 7) years.		
in a related field? If so, indicate current courses and proposed changes below. Current	Proposed		∑ Yes ☐
We require nine credit hours from on of the following		-	<u>k, those nine hours would</u>
programs AAS, ANT, ECO, GEO, GWS, HIS, HON, PCE, PHI, PSY, SOC, and STA.	_	<u>ea by first year o</u> an in the allied disc	classes in the law school ciplines.
Does the change affect pgm requirements for technical of the so, indicate current courses and proposed changes below	-	nal support electi	ves?
Current	Proposed		
Does the change affect a minimum number of free credit If "Yes," indicate current courses and proposed changes be		upport electives?	☐ Yes ⊠
Current	Proposed	1	
Summary of changes in required credit hours:			
		Current	Proposed
a. Credit Hours of Premajor or Preprofessional Course	es:	9	9 (no change)
b. Credit Hours of Major's Requirements:		<u>42</u>	42 (no change)
c. Credit Hours for Required Minor:		<u>n/a</u>	<u>n/a</u>
d. Credit Hours Needed for a Specific Option:		(option does not	22 (min) hours of
a. C. Cart . Cart . Coded for a opening option		exist yet	<u>classes at the law</u>

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e. Credit Hours Outside of Major Subject in Related Field:			9	9 (all from LAW)
f. Credit Hours in Technical or Professional Support Electives:		<u>n/a</u>	<u>n/a</u>	
g. Minimum Credit Hours of Free/Supportive Electives:			no change	
h.	Total Credit Hours Required by Level:	100:	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>
		200:	<u>6-24</u>	<u>6-21</u>
		300:	0-42	<u>3-24</u>
		400-500:	<u>0-39</u>	<u>15-36</u>
i.	Total Credit Hours Required for Gradua	tion:	<u>120</u>	<u>120 (no change)</u>

14. Rationale for Change(s) – if rationale involves accreditation requirements, please include specific references to that.

The College of Arts & Sciences and the College of Law propose to offer an accelerated Bachelor of Arts/Juris Doctor degree option. This accelerated degree option, also termed a "3+3" program, will enable high-achieving and strongly motivated students to earn the BA and JD in six years, thus reducing by one year the customary time to complete both degrees. Because this degree option will enable students to complete all academic requirements for the BA and JD within six years, admission to the program will be limited to incoming freshmen. Students will be required to apply to UK Law school in their junior year, for admission into Law school for their 4th year. The student will receive the Bachelor's degree upon completing 120 credit hours.

Students will earn their BA degrees within already established majors. Initially, the program will offer admitted students the opportunity to major in English, History, or Political Science, the three degree programs that currently send the most students to the University of Kentucky's law school. Because the program will be rigorous and focused, a minimum ACT or SAT score and a minimum high school GPA will be necessary for admission.

This program will appeal strongly to talented, mature students who know early in their academic career that they ultimately wish to pursue a law degree. These students are often ambitious and possess a level of commitment to academic study that distinguishes them from their peers. The Colleges of Arts & Sciences and Law very much want to draw these students to the University of Kentucky, and, even more, provide them with academic programming that matches their level of skill and dedication.

Students in the program will benefit from experiencing a particularly rigorous, challenging and rewarding academic career. Participating students will have a natural cohort of academically motivated peers during their undergraduate years. Over the course of their initial three years, students will also be offered enrichment activities in the College of Law that acquaint them with the legal, clinical, community service, and career opportunities that a law degree makes possible.

Many benefits will also accrue to the University of Kentucky. Similar programs at other institutions have proven to be successful tools for recruiting top-tier students. While admission to the program will be selective and limited, the program will also have a ripple effect throughout the pre-law student community: the "3+3" program can become a hub for a more coherent and wider array of courses, activities, and intellectual programming for other students who are considering attending law school after graduation. We thus expect the program to enhance undergraduate engagement and retention.

15. List below the typical semester by semester program for the major. If multiple options are available, attach a separate sheet for each option.

YEAR 1 – FALL:	UK Core ACR (3)	YEAR 1 – SPRING:	<u>UK Core SIR (3)</u>

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(e.g. "BIO 103; 3 credits")	UK Core CC1 (3)		<u>UK Core CC2 (3)</u>
	Foreign Language 1 (4)		Foreign Language 2 (4)
	UK Core CCC (PS 101) (3)		<i>UK Core GDY (PS 210) (3)</i>
	UK Core HUM (3)		UK Core QFO (3)
YEAR 2 - FALL :	Foreign Language 3 (3)	YEAR 2 – SPRING:	Foreign Language 4 (3)
	<u>A&S NS (3)</u>		A&S Lab (PS 372) (3)
	UK Core SSC (PS 235) (3)		GCCR (WRD 304) (3)
	<u>A&S HUM (3)</u>		<u>UK Core NPM (3)</u>
	PS 300 + (3)		<u>A&S HUM (3)</u>
	Elective (3)		<u>A&S NS (3)</u>
YEAR 3 - FALL:	PS 300 + (3)	YEAR 3 - SPRING:	<u>PS 400+ (3)</u>
	PS 300 + (3)		<u>PS 400+ (3)</u>
	PS 300 + (3)		<u>PS 400+ (3)</u>
	PS 400+ (3)		<u>PS 400+ (3)</u>
	PS Elective (3)		Elective (3)
YEAR 4 - FALL:	<u>Law 800+ (3)</u>	YEAR 4 - SPRING:	<i>Law</i> 800+ (3)
	<u>Law 800+ (3)</u>		<u>Law 800+ (3)</u>
	Law 800+ (3)		<i>Law</i> 800+ (3)
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Signature Routing Log

General Information:

Current Degree Title and Major Name: B.A., Political Science

Proposal Contact Person Name: <u>Stephen Voss</u> Phone: <u>333-0423</u> Email: <u>dsvoss@uky.edu</u>

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
PS Undergraduate Policy Committee	10/1/14	Daniel S. Morey / 7-4234 / dsmore2@uky.edu	
Education Policy Committee	12/2/14	Anna Bosch / 7-6689 / anna.bosch@uky.edu	
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External-to-College Approvals:

Council	Date Approved	Signature	Approval of Revision ⁴
Undergraduate Council			
Graduate Council			
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.

1. General Information

College: Arts & Sciences	Department: English			
Current Major Name: English	Proposed Major Name: <u>no change</u>			
Current Degree Title: <u>BA</u>	Proposed Degree Title: <u>no change</u>			
Formal Option(s):	Proposed Formal Option(s): English BLUE ("Bachelor to Law Undergraduate Education" - 6 year program toward both a BA in English and a JD from UK Law School)			
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Specialty Field w/in Formal Option:	Proposed Specialty Field w/in Formal Options: ———			
Date of Contact with Associate Provost for Academic Administration ¹ : 9/26/2014 (email exchange between Mia Alexander Snow and Anna Bosch)				
Bulletin (yr & pgs): $\frac{2014-15, p.}{140-1}$ CIP Code ¹ : $\frac{23.0101}{140-1}$ Today's Date: $\frac{10/30/14}{140-1}$				
Accrediting Agency (if applicable): N/A (no accrediting agency for BA degree)				
Requested Effective Date: Semester following approval. OR Specific Date ² :				
Dept. Contact Person: Pearl James Phone: 257-6978 Email: pearl.james@uky.edu				

2. General Education Curriculum for this Program:

The new General Education curriculum is comprised of the equivalent of 30 credit hours of course work. There are, however, some courses that exceed 3 credits & this would result in more than 30 credits in some majors.

- There is no foreign language requirement for the new Gen Ed curriculum.
- There is no General Education Electives requirement.

Please list the courses/credit hours currently used to fulfill the University Studies/General Education curriculum:

Currently students have a great deal of flexibility in how they satisfy the US/GenEd/UK Core classes; they can, but do not have to, satisfy them by taking ENG classes. In the proposed Option, we recommend that the student satisfy one or even two of their UK Core Requirements in ENG: satisfy Arts & Creativity requirement with ENG 107; or satisfy the Humantities requirement with ENG 209 or 230. Doing either of these would satisfy the English major prerequisite at the same time. We also recommend they satisfy their Social Science requirement with Psychology 100 with the lab component, because that will satisfy A&S requirements that might otherwise take more time.

Please identify below the suggested courses/credit hours to fulfill the General Education curriculum.				
Gei	neral Education Area		Course	Credit Hrs
1. 1	ntellectual Inquiry (one course in each area)		·	
	Arts and Creativity		<i>ENG 107</i>	<u>3</u>
	Humanities		ENG 209 or 230	<u>3</u>

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Social Sciences	<i>PSY 100 + Lab</i>	<u>4</u>
Natural/Physical/Mathematical	any	<u>3</u>
II. Composition and Communication		
Composition and Communication I	CIS or WRD 110	3
Composition and Communication II	CIS or WRD 111	3
III. Quantitative Reasoning (one course in each area)		
Quantitative Foundations ³	any	<u>3</u>
Statistical Inferential Reasoning	any	<u>3</u>
IV. Citizenship (one course in each area)		
Community, Culture and Citizenship in the USA	any	<u>3</u>
Global Dynamics	any	<u>3</u>
To	tal General Education Hours	30 (no change)

3. Explain whether the proposed changes to the program (as described in sections 4 to 12) involve courses offered by another department/program. Routing Signature Log must include approval by faculty of additional department(s).

For the current English B.A. degree, nine additional hours at the 200+ level outside English are required in allied departments and programs in Arts, Humanities, Social Sciences, and Education. Applicable departments and programs include (by prefix): A&S, AAS, AIS, ANT, APP, CHI, CLA, EDC, EDU, EPE, GER, GWS, HJS, HIS, HMN, HON, IAS, ITA, JOU, JPN, LAS, LIN, MAS, MCL, PHI, PS, RS, SPA, ST,WRD. In the herein proposed double degree, those nine hours would be satisfied by classes in the first year law school curriculum, once a student has been accepted into UK Law, rather than in the afore-named allied disciplines.

4.	Explain how satisfaction	of the Universit	y Graduation Writing	g Red	quirement will be changed.	
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Current	Proposed	
Standard University course offering.	Standard University course offering.	
List:	List:	
N	N	
\boxtimes Specific course – list: $\underline{ENG 330}$	\boxtimes Specific course) – list: $ENG 330$ (no change)	
	and infinite	

5. List any changes to college-level requirements that must be satisfied.

Current	Proposed
Standard college requirement.	Standard college requirement.
List:	List: <u>no change</u>
Specific required course – list:	Specific course – list:

6. List pre-major or pre-professional course requirements that will change, including credit hours.

Current	Proposed
	<u>no change</u>

7. List the major's course requirements that will change, including credit hours.

Current <i>Proposed</i>		
	Current	Proposed

³ Note that MA 109 is NOT approved as a Quantitative Foundations course. Students in a major requiring calculus will use a calculus course (MA 113, 123, 137 or 138) while students not requiring calculus should take MA 111, PHI 120 or another approved course.

	<u>no change</u>
es the pgm <u>require</u> a minor AND does the proposed <u>chang</u> es," indicate current courses and proposed changes belo	
Current	Proposed
es the proposed change affect any option(s)? Yes," indicate current courses and proposed changes below specialties, if any.	☐ N/A ☑ Yes ☐ ow, including credit hours, and also specialties and
Current	Proposed
Right now there is no particular option for English majors who plan to attend law school.	The current proposal would create an option for qualified students who want to complete all their specific coursework for their BA in three years, and finish the hours necessary to complete it while attending their first year of law school, after acceptance into UK Law. It would give them the option of earning a four year degree (the BA) and
pes the change affect pgm requirements for number of a related field?	three year degree (the JD) in a total of 6 (rather that 7) years. credit hrs outside the major subject
a related field? o, indicate current courses and proposed changes below.	7) years. credit hrs outside the major subject Yes
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Current	Proposed
Currently students choose electives and other courses	In the proposed option, students would reach the
to lead to the minimum total of 120 hours reuired for	minimum total of 120 hours reuired for graduation by
graduation. Arts and Sciences requires six hours of	taking classes in the law school. However they would
free electives.	still have a total of 11 hours of free electives, which is
	more than the minimum 6 hours Arts and Sciences
	<u>requires.</u>

13. Summary of changes in required credit hours:

			Current	Proposed
a.	a. Credit Hours of Premajor or Preprofessional Courses:		<u>3</u>	<u>3 (no change)</u>
b.	b. Credit Hours of Major's Requirements:		<u>30</u>	<u>30 (no change)</u>
C.	Credit Hours for Required Minor:		<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A (no change)</u>
a. Credit Hours Needed for a Specific Option:		(option does not exist yet)	30 hours of classes at UK law school	
e.	Credit Hours Outside of Major Subject i	in Related Field:	<u>9</u>	9 (no change)
f.	f. Credit Hours in Technical or Professional Support Electives:		<u>N/A</u>	N/A (no change)
g.	Minimum Credit Hours of Free/Support	tive Electives:	<u>N/A</u>	N/A (no change)
h.	Total Credit Hours Required by Level:	100:		
		200:		
		300:	<u>min. 21</u>	<u>min. 21 (no change)</u>
		400-500:	<u>min. 6</u>	min. 6 (no change)
i.	Total Credit Hours Required for Gradua	tion:	<u>120</u>	<u>120 (no change)</u>

14. Rationale for Change(s) – if rationale involves accreditation requirements, please include specific references to that.

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15. List below the typical semester by semester program for the major. If multiple options are available, attach a separate sheet for each option.

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YEAR 1 – FALL: (e.g. "BIO 103; 3 credits")	UK Core CC1; 3 credits Foreign Lang. 201; 3 credits UK Core QFO; 3 credits UK Core ACR (ENG 107-ENG	YEAR 1 – SPRING:	UK Core CC2; 3 credits Foreign Lang. 202; 3 credits UK Core HUM (ENG 209 or 230-ENG PreMajor); 3 credits
	pre-Major); 3 credits UK Core GDY; 3 credits		UK Core SIR; 3 credits UK Core NPM; 3 credits
YEAR 2 - FALL :	ENG 241 or 251/Hist Surv & Early Period; 3 credits UK Core CCC; 3 credits A&S NS; 3 credits UK Core SSC and A&S Lab (PSY 100+Lab recommended); 4 credits Elective; 2 credits	YEAR 2 – SPRING:	ENG 330: Text & Context/ GCCR; 3 credits ENG 2xx/ Hist. Survey; 3 credits ENG course 300-500 level; 3 credits A&S SS; 3 credits Elective; 3 credits
YEAR 3 - FALL:	ENG course 300-500 Level; 3 credits ENG course 300-500 Level; 3 credits A&S NS; 3 credits Elective; 3 credits Elective; 3 credits	YEAR 3 - SPRING:	ENG course 300-500 Level; 3 credits ENG course 300-500 Level; 3 credits ENG course at the 400-level; 3 credits ENG course above the 407 level A&S SS
YEAR 4 - FALL:	Law 1 Law 2 Law 3 Law 4 Law 5	YEAR 4 - SPRING:	<u>Law 6</u> <u>Law 7</u> <u>Law 8</u> <u>Law 9</u> <u>Law 10</u>

Signature Routing Log

General Information:

Current Degree Title and Major Name: <u>BA in English</u>

Proposal Contact Person Name: Pearl James Phone: 257-6978 Email: pearl.james@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
Jeff Clymer, Chair	11/30/14	Jeff Clymer / 7-1292 / Jeff.clymer@uky.edu	
Education Policy Committee	12/2/14	Anna Bosch / 7-6689 / anna.bosch@uky.edu	
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External-to-College Approvals:

Council	Date Approved	Signature	Approval of Revision ⁴
Undergraduate Council			
Graduate Council			
Health Care Colleges Council			
Senate Council Approval		University Senate Approval	

Comments:	

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1. General Information

College: Arts & Sciences	Department: <u>History</u>
Current Major Name: <u>History</u>	Proposed Major Name: <u>no change</u>
Current Degree Title: <u>BA</u>	Proposed Degree Title: <u>no change</u>
Formal Option(s):	Proposed Formal Option(s): History BLUE ("Bachelor to Law Undergraduate Education" - 6 year program toward both a BA in HIstory and a JD from UK Law School)
Specialty Field w/in Formal Option:	Proposed Specialty Field w/in Formal Options:
Date of Contact with Associate Provost for Academ	nic Administration ¹ : $\frac{9/26/2014 \text{ (email exchange between Mia}}{\text{Alexander Snow and Anna Bosch)}}$
Bulletin (yr & pgs): $\frac{2014-15, p.}{152-53}$ CIP Code ¹ :	: <u>54.0101</u> Today's Date: <u>11/10/14</u>
Accrediting Agency (if applicable): N/A (no accre	editing agency for BA degree)
Requested Effective Date: Semester following	ng approval. OR Specific Date ² :
Dept. Contact Person: <u>Karen Petrone</u>	Phone: <u>257-4345</u> Email: <u>petrone@uky.edu</u>

2. General Education Curriculum for this Program:

The new General Education curriculum is comprised of the equivalent of 30 credit hours of course work. There are, however, some courses that exceed 3 credits & this would result in more than 30 credits in some majors.

- There is no foreign language requirement for the new Gen Ed curriculum.
- There is no General Education Electives requirement.

Please list the courses/credit hours currently used to fulfill the University Studies/General Education curriculum:

Currently students have a great deal of flexibility in how they satisfy the US/GenEd/UK Core classes; they can, but do not have to, satisfy them by taking HIS classes. In the proposed Option, we recommend that the student satisfy three UK Core Requirements in HIS. Doing these would satisfy the History pre-major requirement and 3 hours toward the major. We also recommend they satisfy their Social Science requirement with Psychology 100 with the lab component, because that will satisfy A&S requirements that might otherwise take more time.

Please identify below the suggested courses/credit	hours to fulfill the General Education	curriculum.
General Education Area	Course	Credit Hrs
I. Intellectual Inquiry (one course in each area)		
Arts and Creativity	any	<u>3</u>
	<u>HIS</u>	<u>3</u>
Humanities	<u>202,203,229,230</u>	

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 program will be made effective until all approvals are received.

Social Sciences	<u>PSY 100 + Lab</u>	<u>4</u>
Natural/Physical/Mathematical	any	<u>3</u>
II. Composition and Communication		
Composition and Communication I	CIS or WRD 110	3
Composition and Communication II	CIS or WRD 111	3
III. Quantitative Reasoning (one course in each area)		
Quantitative Foundations ³	any	<u>3</u>
Statistical Inferential Reasoning	any	<u>3</u>
IV. Citizenship (one course in each area)		
Community, Culture and Citizenship in the USA	HIS 108,109, 112, 261	<u>3</u>
Global Dynamics	HIS 105, 121,122	<u>3</u>
Tot	al General Education Hours	31

3. Explain whether the proposed changes to the program (as described in sections 4 to 12) involve courses offered by another department/program. Routing Signature Log must include approval by faculty of additional department(s).

For the current History B.A. degree, 15 additional hours at the 300+ level outside History are required in allied departments and programs. In the herein proposed degree track, those fifteen hours would be satisfied by classes in the first-year law school curriculum rather than in the afore-named allied disciplines, once the student has been accepted into UK Law.

4. Explain how satisfaction of the University Graduation Writing Requirement will be changed.

Current	Proposed
Standard University course offering.	Standard University course offering.
List:	List:
Specific course – list: HIS 499	Specific course) – list: <u>HIS 499 (no change)</u>

5. List any changes to college-level requirements that must be satisfied.

Current	Proposed
Standard college requirement.	Standard college requirement.
List:	List: <u>no change</u>
Specific required course – list:	Specific course – list:

6. List pre-major or pre-professional course requirements that will change, including credit hours.

Current	Proposed
	<u>no change</u>

7. List the major's course requirements that will change, including credit hours.

Current	Proposed
	<u>no change</u>

³ Note that MA 109 is NOT approved as a Quantitative Foundations course. Students in a major requiring calculus will use a calculus course (MA 113, 123, 137 or 138) while students not requiring calculus should take MA 111, PHI 120 or another approved course.

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c.	Credit Hours for Required Minor:		<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A (no change)</u>
d.	Credit Hours Needed for a Specific Option:		(option does not exist yet)	30 hours of classes at the law school
e.	Credit Hours Outside of Major Subject in Related Field:		<u>15</u>	<u>15 (no change)</u>
f.	Credit Hours in Technical or Professional Support Electives:		<u>N/A</u>	N/A (no change)
g.	Minimum Credit Hours of Free/Supportive Electives:		<u>N/A</u>	N/A (no change)
h.	Total Credit Hours Required by Level:	100:		
		200:		
		300:	min. 39	<u>min. 39 (no change)</u>
		400-500:		
i.	Total Credit Hours Required for Graduation:		<u>120</u>	<u>120 (no change)</u>

14. Rationale for Change(s) – if rationale involves accreditation requirements, please include specific references to that.

This degree option will enable high-achieving and strongly motivated students to earn the BA and JD in six years, thus reducing by one year the customary time to complete both degrees. Because this degree option will enable students to complete all academic requirements for the BA and JD within six years, admission to the program will be limited to incoming freshmen. Students will be required to apply to UK Law in their junior year, for admission to Law school in their fourth year at UK. Students will receive the Bachelor's degree upon completing 120 credit hours.

This program will appeal strongly to talented, mature students who know early in their academic career that they ultimately wish to pursue a law degree. These students are often ambitious and possess a level of commitment to academic study that distinguishes them from their peers. The History Department very much wants to draw these students to the University of Kentucky, and, even more, provide them with academic programming that matches their level of skill and dedication.

Students in the program will benefit from experiencing a particularly rigorous, challenging and rewarding academic career. Participating students will have a natural cohort of academically motivated peers during their undergraduate years.

Many benefits will also accrue to the University of Kentucky. Similar programs at other institutions have proven to be successful tools for recruiting top-tier students. While admission to the program will be selective and limited, the program will also have a ripple effect throughout the pre-law student community: the "3+3" program can become a hub for a more coherent and wider array of courses, activities, and intellectual programming for other students who are considering attending law school after graduation. We thus expect the program to enhance undergraduate engagement and retention.

15. List below the typical semester by semester program for the major. If multiple options are available, attach a separate sheet for each option.

YEAR 1 – FALL:	UK Core CC1; 3 credits	YEAR 1 – SPRING:	UK Core CC2; 3 credits
(e.g. "BIO 103; 3 credits")	Foreign Lang. 101; 4 credits		Foreign Lang. 102; 4 credits
	UK Core QFO; 3 credits		<u>UK Core CCC (HIS 108, 109, </u>
	UK Core ACR; 3 credits		112, 261 HIS pre-major); 3
	<u>UK Core GDY (HIS 105, 121, </u>		<u>credits</u>
	122, HIS pre-major); 3 credits		UK Core SIR; 3 credits
			UK Core NPM; 3 credits

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YEAR 2 - FALL :	UK Core HUM (HIS 202, 203, 229, 230); 3 credits A&S NS; 3 credits UK Core SSC and A&S Lab (PSY 100+Lab); 4 credits Foreign Language 201; 3 credits	YEAR 2 – SPRING:	Foreign Language 202; 3 credits A&S SS; 3 credits A&S HUM (HIS 200+); 3 credits A&S HUM (His 200+); 3 credits HIS 301; 3 credits
YEAR 3 - FALL:	HIS 300+; 3 credits HIS 300+; 3 credits His 300+; 3 credits A&S SS; 3 credits Elective; 3 credits	YEAR 3 - SPRING:	His 300+; 3 credits His 300+ 3 credits GCCR (HIS 499); 3 credits Elective; 3 credits A&S NS
YEAR 4 - FALL:	Law 1 Law 2 Law 3 Law 4 Law 5	YEAR 4 - SPRING:	<u>Law 6</u> <u>Law 7</u> <u>Law 8</u> <u>Law 9</u> <u>Law 10</u>

CHANGE UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAM FORM

Signature Routing Log

General Information:

Current Degree Title and Major Name: <u>BA in History</u>

Proposal Contact Person Name: Karen Petrone Phone: 257-4345 Email: petrone@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
Department of History	10/29/14	Karen Petrone / 257-4345 / petrone@uky.edu	
Karen Petrone		1 1	
Education Policy Committee	12/2/14	Anna Bosch / 7-6689 / anna.bosch@uky.edu	
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External-to-College Approvals:

Council	Date Approved	Signature	Approval of Revision ⁴
Undergraduate Council			
Graduate Council			
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.

A&S Education Policy Committee Tuesday, December 2, 2014 12:30-1:50pm 318 POT

MINUTES

The education Policy Committee convened on Tuesday, December 2, 2014 at 12:35pm in 318 POT Patterson Office Tower. Sadia Zoubir-Shaw presided.

Present: Sadia Zoubir-Shaw, Janet Eldred, Jack Selegue, Stephen Testa, Christia Brown, Susan Gardner, Ernie Yanarella, Carmen Moreno-Nuno, Tony Stallins; Ruth Beattie, Associate Dean for Advising and Anna Bosch, Associate Dean for Undergraduate Studies

The committee discussed the BLUE proposal. Jeff Clymer, Karen Petrone, Mary Davis, ad Toni Robinson were all available to answer questions.

Janet Eldred Motioned to approve

Ernie Yanarella seconded her motion

The committee unanimously approved the program proposal.

The Tuesday, November 18, 2014 minutes were approved.

Old business: (Reference Sheet Attached)

1 course proposal was approved

7 courses are pending

4 courses were approved conditionally

New Business: (Reference Sheet Attached)

5 new course proposals were assigned

Ernie Yanarella nominated Phil Kraemer to be the chair of the EPC in spring 2015.

Stephen Testa seconded his motion

The committee unanimously approved Phil Kraemer as the chair of EPC for spring 2015.

Phil was not present at this meeting. Sadia will email Phil to see if he is willing/accepts his appointment as chair for spring 2015.

Meeting Adjourned at 1:45pm.

Submitted by,

Camille Harmon, Recording Secretary

University of Kentucky

College of Law

Minutes of Faculty Meeting

December 17, 2014

Attending: Dean Brennen; Associate Deans Michael and Steele; Assistant Dean Murhpy; Professors Ausness, Brooks, Bird-Pollan (via video), Campbell, Clay, Connelly, Davis, Donovan, Douglas, Frost, Frye, Grise, Hazelwood, Healy, Henke, Huberfeld, Kightlinger, Kraft, Lollar, Moore, Nuckolls, Price, Runge, Schueler, Schwemm, Steenken, Underwood, Valentin, and Welling; Director of Admissions Robinson and Director of Information Technology Groves; student Kevin Havelda.

- 1. The Dean called the meeting to order at 2:02 pm.
- 2. Dean's Report:
 - a. Update on new building and report on job descriptions of staff.
- 3. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings:
 - a. Professor Davis moved to approve the faculty meeting minutes from November 20, 2014. Professor Huberfeld seconded the motion. FACULTY VOTE: Motion passes. The faculty voted to approve the minutes.
- 4. Committee Reports
 - a. Faculty Executive Committee Proposal:
 - i. The Faculty Executive Committee has proposed an amendment to faculty Rule XIV.G.1.a. The amendment that they recommended for adoption is as follows:

Within the College of Law, Law Library faculty may participate fully on issues of faculty governance within the Law Library. (Procedures related to Law Library faculty appointment, retention, promotion, and tenure are set out separately at G. 5-7. below.) Law Library faculty will not participate in College of Law faculty governance, with the exception of voting attendance at College of Law faculty meetings on matters directly pertaining to the law library, legal research teaching or law library personnel, and participation on faculty committees as assigned by the Dean. In preparing the agenda for faculty meetings, the Dean, on recommendation of the Law Library Director, shall designate, in her/his discretion, those agenda items on which such library faculty may vote.

- ii. Discussion of recommended amendment.
- iii. FACULTY VOTE: Motion passes. The faculty voted to approve the amendment

b. Admissions Committee:

i. Professor Davis presented an update on proposed BA/JD 3+3 Degree Program (titled Bachelor to Law Undergraduate Education program, or "BLUE") and a proposal from the College of Arts & Sciences that was reviewed and recommended for adoption by the Admissions Committee. Discussion of the proposal (see attached). FACULTY VOTE: Motion passes. The faculty voted to approve the proposed BA/JD 3+3 Degree (BLUE) program.

c. Appointments Committee:

- i. Professor Price presented the report of the Appointments Committee following the campus visits of several potential hiring candidates. The Committee recommended the faculty advise the Dean to make an offer to Albertina Antognini for an entry-level position on the University of Kentucky College of Law faculty. If she declines, the Committee recommends the faculty advise the Dean to make an offer to Zack Bray. If he declines, the Committee recommends the faculty advise the Dean to make an offer to Natalie Banta.
- Kevin Havelda, student representative to the Appointments Committee, was present to answer questions. Questions and discussion followed. Mr. Havelda was then excused.
- iii. Discussion of the Committee's recommendation followed.
- iv. FACULTY VOTE: Motion passes. The faculty voted, 9-7, to recommend the Dean make an offer of hire first to Ms. Antognini; if Ms. Antognini declines the offer of employment, the faculty recommends the Dean make an offer of hire to Mr. Bray; if Mr. Bray declines the offer of employment, the faculty recommends the Dean make an offer to Ms. Banta.
- v. Professor Frost made a motion to reverse the order of the top two candidates, and then have the faculty vote again on the recommendation. Professor Frost proposed that the faculty vote to advise the Dean to make an offer to Zack Bray for an entry-level position on the University of Kentucky College of Law faculty. If he declines, the faculty would advise the Dean to make an offer to Albertina Antognini. If she declines, the faculty would advise the Dean to make an offer to Natalie Banta. Professor Welling seconded the motion.
- vi. Discussion of Professor Frost's proposal followed.
- vii. **FACULTY VOTE**: The motion did not pass. The faculty vote was tied, 8-8, on Professor Frost's proposal amending the Appointments Committee's recommendation.

- 5. Recommendation to Allow Increased Enrollment
 - a. Professor Schueler requested, in response to faculty Rule III.B, that the enrollment cap for Administrative Law be raised from 70 to 84 in the spring semester, 2015, in order to accommodate students currently on the waitlist (given that there is only one section of Administrative Law offered in this spring).
 - b. Professor Healy moved to increase the enrollment cap for Administrative Law in the Spring 2015 semester. Professor Kightlinger seconded the motion.
 - c. Discussion.
 - d. FACULTY VOTE: Motion passed. Enrollment cap for Administrative Law raised for Spring 2015 semester to 84.
- 6. The meeting was adjourned at 3:48 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cortney E. Lollar

Memorandum

To: Admissions Committee

From: Mary J. Davis, Admissions Committee Chair

CC: Dean David A. Brennen, Associate Dean Doug Michael

Date: December 10, 2014

Re: Recommendation for amendment to UK Law Admissions policy to reflect 6 year BA/JD

Dear Admissions Committee Members:

The College of Arts and Sciences (A&S) has finalized its proposal to endorse a 6 year BA to JD degree program (also referred to as a 3+3 program). The Educational Policy Committee of A&S (the equivalent to our Curriculum Committee) voted unanimously to approve this degree program on December 2, 2014. The proposal is attached for your review. Toni and I worked with those at A&S responsible for putting this degree program together and are happy to answer any questions you may have about it. Our next step is to approve a change to our College of Law Admissions policies to reflect our willingness to consider applicants from this program.

As I explained to the faculty at our September meeting, A&S decided to pursue this degree program option with English, History, and Political Science majors. The Chairs of those departments, along with the Associate Dean of Undergraduate Studies, Anna Bosch, and Dean Kornbluh, thoroughly explored all issues surrounding this proposed degree plan. I highlight a few of the program's details for you below:

- The degree program will be named the BLUE program (Bachelor to Law Undergraduate Education). This name was chosen after many names were vetted. We were asked to consider this name, along with others, and BLUE met with the greatest support. An undergraduate applicant will apply to the History BLUE, Political Science BLUE, or English BLUE degree program during their senior year of high school.
- Everyone at A&S understands that acceptance into the BLUE program does not guarantee admission to UK Law and that each BLUE program participant must seek separate admission to UK Law during their junior year.
- A separate A&S Admissions Committee will select applicants for admission to the BLUE program, including a representative from the law school.
- The minimum requirements to apply to the BLUE program will be 29 ACT and 3.5 (unweighted) GPA. As a point of reference, the Honors Program's baseline requirements for admission are 28 ACT and 3.5 (unweighted) GPA and the minimums for competitive freshman scholarships (including Singletary, Presidential, and Commonwealth) are 31 ACT and 3.5 (unweighted) GPA.

A newly hired pre-law advisor will work with the BLUE program students on curricular choices.
 In addition, the advisor will ensure, as much as possible, the applicants are prepared for law school when the time comes to help address any concerns with maturity.

Based upon this information and the EPC's approval of the BLUE degree program proposal, I propose we amend our Admissions policies to reflect this new degree program by accepting students who have successfully completed three (3) years of undergraduate study, but who will not have a bachelor's degree at the time of admission to UK Law. These students will receive an undergraduate degree from UK at the successful completion of their first year of law school. Below is my formal recommendation:

Statement of Admissions Policy for Applicants for an Entering Class will be amended as follows (underlining reflects new material):

1. The applicant must have a bachelor's degree from an accredited Institution. If the applicant is a student at the University of Kentucky and is enrolled in an approved Bachelor to Law Undergraduate Program (BLUE) program, the applicant will be considered for admission without having a bachelor's degree at the time of enrollment.

Amendment of the UK College of Law Admissions policies will become effective upon final approval by all appropriate University governing bodies of the underlying Bachelor's to Law Undergraduate Education (BLUE) degree programs.

Please let Toni or me know if you have any questions about the BLUE program or the suggested amendment to our Admissions policy. If you would like to meet on this issue, I am happy to schedule an Admissions Committee meeting for that purpose. If you approve this policy amendment, I would like to submit it to the faculty for approval at the December faculty meeting.

Thanks,

Mary



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April 28, 2015

Dr. Andrew Hippisley Chair, Senate Council University of Kentucky

Dear Dr. Hippisley:

I write to indicate the English Department's broad and enthusiastic support, as well as my own strong endorsement, of the proposed Bachelors to Law Undergraduate Education (BLUE) program. The Department discussed and voted unanimously at our October 1, 2014 meeting to participate in the program (minutes attached to this letter).

With its focus on skills of writing, inference, and analysis, the English major offers especially excellent preparation for law school, and many of our graduates do go on to legal training. We in English especially support the BLUE proposal because we are actively seeking ways to recruit highly motivated and exceptionally qualified students to the University of Kentucky and directly into the English major *from the beginning of their collegiate career*. While we don't envision this program involving a large number of students, we expect that it will appeal to the segment of students who are interested in the Humanities and in ultimately pursuing a law degree. Mature, academically driven students are exactly whom we wish to recruit into English, Arts & Sciences, and the University, and we very much believe BLUE will help us do that. Moreover, for students with the requisite qualifications and desires, BLUE is poised to offer a particularly clear and rigorous educational experience during their college years. We believe it will provide an enriching and academically valuable education for students who participate in the program.

Sincerely,

Jeffory A. Clymer

Professor and Chairperson

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English Department Faculty Meeting Minutes 10/1/2014

Attendees: Andrew Ewell, Manuel Gonzales, Ellen Rosenman, Jeff Clymer, Mike Genovese, Matt Godbey, Armando Prats, Marion Rust, Rynetta Davis, Jill Rappoport-Genovese, Gurney Norman, Joyce MacDonald, Andy Doolen, Janet Eldred, Andrew Byrd, Alyssa MacLean, Michael Trask, Julia Johnson, Hannah Pittard, Jonathan Allison, Fabiola Henri, Peter Kalliney, Rusty Barrett, Greg Stump, Erik Reece, DaMaris Hill, Anna Bosch, Andrew Hippisley, Matt Giancarlo

Dean Kornbluh's update:

- -- Undergraduate Education
 - -modified RCM will come out October 27th
 - -# of students who successfully take a course
 - -will require midterm grades for CORE classes
 - -strongly suggest regular use of academic alerts to catch issues early
- -- Graduate Education
 - -how do we improve the quality of our graduate programs?
 - -benchmark study
 - -workload conversations across the college
 - -Dean's office will facilitate a conversation between ENG and WRD about the 20+ hr workload for TAs teaching in WRD
 - -need creative ideas for how to teach more undergrads (\$) while reducing TA load to manageable levels
 - -UG learning assistants?
 - -professional masters programs, certificates, etc.?
- -- Update on Campus Building Projects
- --Blackboard
 - -will be moving to Canvas in three stages (now, February, summer 2015)

Chair's update:

- --New DMS, Kristen Pickett, starting October 20th
- --ENG 130 submitted for review by college on Oct 7th
- --CW minor submitted for review by college on Oct 7th
- --Barbara and Joe Cowles have agreed to bequeath \$100,000 to the department
- --University Press will offer 2 internships per year for ENG majors (competitive), unpaid but creditbearing
- --KY Young Writers Summer Camp for high school students
- -- Gaines Center Call for Papers

3+3 English/Law School Degree Track within the ENG Major

- --3 years BA + 3 years law school
- --all ENG and A&S requirements fulfilled in first 3 years; law courses in 4th year would fill BA electives
- --students would have to apply separately to the Law School, but would be considered competitive
- --Motion to accept the proposal Matt Giancarlo; Ellen Rosenman 2nd; vote unanimous in favor

Study Abroad

- --Oct 21st Oct 30th, study abroad representatives will be visiting ENG classes to talk to students about study abroad opportunities
- --Wed., Oct 29th, 3pm, 357 student center, Education Abroad will host a party/presentation specifically for English students to learn more about study abroad opportunities
- --Study Abroad is focusing on finding opportunities abroad that will enhance the English curriculum here at UK
- --Study Abroad is interested in developing opportunities for faculty to take students abroad



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Dr. Andrew Hippisley Chair, Senate Council University of Kentucky

Dear Professor Hippisley,

I am writing to indicate the History Department's strong support for the proposed Bachelors to Law Undergraduate Education Program (BLUE). The History Department faculty voted via email in October and unanimously endorsed the plan. Though the faculty had some remaining questions about how the program would impact students when we met in person in December (see attached minutes), History faculty are eager to work with the high caliber of students this program would attract.

The History major is ideal training for law school, with its focus on finding and interpreting evidence, building arguments through written and oral communication, and critical thinking. We already consider ourselves one of the most effective pre-law majors, and this program would enable us to attract students who were even stronger. Because of the savings in time and cost, we hope to be able to recruit strong History majors who would have otherwise gone to other universities.

The admissions process would have to be rigorous as completing the History major in three years can only be accomplished by a focused individual. We would only admit the few students with strong credentials, but this program enables us to offer them a demanding and rewarding program leading to a law degree in six years.

Thank you so much for your consideration of the above.

Very truly yours,

Karen Petrone

Professor and Chair



History Department faculty meeting December 8, 2014

Present: Karen Petrone, Erik Myrup, Hang Nguyen, Tracy Campbell, Joanne Melish, Jeremy Popkin, Francis Musoni, Gerald Smith, Bruce Holle, Paul Chamberlin, Dan Gargola, Melanie Beals Goan, Amy Taylor, Tammy Whitlock, Jane Calvert, Scott Taylor, Anastasia Curwood, Phil Harling, Mark Summers, Gretchen Starr-LeBeau

Meeting began at 3:35pm.

The History Department voted on the 3+3 Program via email, with the voting concluded on October 29th, 2014.

The vote tally was 15 votes in favor and 0 opposed. Faculty had additional questions and concerns about the program:

- I. Law program 3+3: Potential concerns
 - a. Financial concerns: they will lose undergraduate tuition and undergraduate financial aid in the fourth year/first year of law school.
 - i. Response: this is true, but they will be able to receive law school financial aid.
 - b. First year of law school is intense; this could be hard for undergrads.
 - i. Response: they will be in their fourth year of undergraduate schooling have the first year of law school, which is a set curriculum. In effect, they will have completed their undergraduate schooling in three years.
 - ii. The curriculum is no different, just compressed.
 - c. They do need to apply for, and be accepted to, law school at UK for this to work. If they don't have sufficient LSAT scores, they won't get in. In fact, there are many ways to opt out of the program, even after taking a semester of law school (those will count for their undergrad credit)
 - d. Thirty credits will count twice—for undergrad and law school.
- II. Alumni advisory board follow-up
 - a. A recent conference call went well (Karen, Erik, and Melanie all participated). We're working well with alumni particularly in internships and recruitment.
 - b. Our spring alumni event will be May 15-16, 2015 with Todd Estes, who is publishing a collection of Lance Banning's essays.
- III. Many events coming up in the Spring
 - a. Year of the Middle East (dates are on the calendar; fewer for History. Juan Cole will be here at the end of March).
 - b. Jeremy has organized a conference Feb. 27 on WWII Jewish refugees in Shanghai, China in conjunction with an exhibit at WT Young Library
 - c. March 5-7 Conference on Women in Slavic Studies; Southern Regional conference in Slavic Studies
 - d. Francis and Carlos de la Torre are bringing in a speaker on Feb. 19.

- e. The International Studies program is having a conference on memory, probably in March (no one remembers when)
- f. Filmmaker coming Feb. 23, Sami Shetrit (sp?) on Black Panthers in Israel
- g. Bale-Boone conference, legacy of the Civil War: Coleman Hutchison, Ed Ayers, David Blight
- h. Works in progress seminar. Monica Diaz in January 26; Danielle Dodson Feb. 23, Joanne Melish April 27, Ben Blanford (recent Geography PhD) in March.
- i. This Friday, David Hamilton will present a work in progress paper on Friday
- j. March 25 speaker giving the Pritchett lecture

IV. Job search update

a. We got 29 applications for a specialized search. Some excellent candidates in the pool. Skype interviewing the top eight this week, narrowing it down to three finalists before the break.

V. Other updates:

- a. Ellen Furlough would welcome some contact, as would Frank. Drop a line, send a note, call.
- b. No updates on Steve Davis

VI. DGS Update

- a. Expect grad student evaluation sheets to appear shortly.
- b. Expect student applications to start coming through soon.
- c. The Dean has created two semester-long History Department Bryan dissertation fellowships, which we should have access to shortly. Those will be allocated to students who are close to finishing to finish up (or get close).

VII. DUS Update

- a. Congratulations to Tammy and Melanie for being admitted to the AHA Tuning Project. A chance to think about what competencies we want students to have when they graduate, so that we are all in tune. After they return from the AHA they will work with Erik on curricular reform/update; and then report back to the AHA.
- b. College retention is a major concern. Looking demographically at students who might drop out, and trying to address it. Might be some correlation with the length of the "ACT tail." This is a major concern of the President right now, and any course with a DEW rate of 20% or more will come in for increased monitoring. The chair does not want us to lower our standards to increase our retention rates; however, you might intervene sooner when students begin to disappear.
- c. Course enrollment issues. Low enrollment this spring; try promoting your course if enrollment is low. Also, we need to decrease our dependence on the 350-series of numbers (350-355).
- d. Promoting courses more generally: Erik is happy to be a resource in helping you post flyers, promote to advisors, etc.

e. Erik thinks that we should put these new 200- and 300-levels into the UK Core when we submit these as new courses, which should help with enrollment.

Meeting adjourned at 4:44pm.



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Dear Senate Council Members:

As chair of the UK Department of Political Science, I write to express my strong endorsement of the BLUE program. I and my fellow and sister faculty members thoroughly reviewed the details of a past Department meeting and voted unanimously to offer our support for the rationale and particulars of this curriculum proposal. It was previously vetted as well through the Department's Executive Core committee (Chair, Associate Chair, DUS, and DGS.)

Though initiated at the request of the UK School of Law to the College of Arts and Sciences, I fully participated in developing architecture of this program and my departmental director of undergraduate studies worked with our undergraduate program committee to assure that its features aligned with our undergraduate curriculum and major requirements without unduly burdening prospective political science majors who might sign up for it. While we do not anticipate a large number of such majors enrolling in the program, my faculty is confident that the program will suit the needs of a percentage of our majors who will find the opportunity to cut the costs and saving a year for earning a bachelor's degree and completing law school. The only negative that arose in faculty discussions was that BLUE might slightly lower the number of senior political science/pre-law students seeking honors in political science. In the end, it was broadly felt that BLUE's benefits outweighed such an impact. In any event, this ramification has prompted us to seek other ways of increasing the numbers of graduating seniors (usually 8-14 of which half are general pre-law students) pursuing honors.

In sum, my support and that of my faculty is wide and deep and we can only express our hope that the program will be passed by the Senate Council and University Senate with little, if any, dissent.

Sincerely yours,

Ernest J. Yanarella Professor and Chair-