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Subject: NEW 3+3: BS Human Health Sciences and DPT Physical Therapy **Attachments:** BHS-DPT dual degree program narrative final-edits 3-8-19-clean.pdf

Proposed New 3+3 Program: BS Human Health Sciences and DPT Physical Therapy

This is a recommendation that the University Senate approve the establishment of a new 3+3 Program: BS Human Health Sciences and DPT Physical Therapy within the College of Health Sciences.

Rationale: The proposed accelerated degree program resulting in the awarding of BS and DPT degrees is a combined effort between the Division of Health Sciences, Education, and Research and the Division of Physical Therapy. The program would allow high-achieving and strongly motivated students to earn both degrees in six years, reducing the customary time to completion by one year. Human Health Sciences students apply for admission to the Physical Therapy program in their third year, and admitted students would begin DPT coursework in their fourth year. The BS requirements and DPT admission standards are unchanged, but acceptance to the DPT program could be confirmed sooner, improving retention of highly qualified students.

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Health Care Colleges Council

From: Carl Mattacola, Ph.D.

Associate Dean of Academic and Faculty Affairs

Date: October 4, 2018

HHS/DPT 3 + 3 Accelerated Pathway

Attached is a request for a formalization of a 3 + 3 Accelerated Pathway for students in the Human Health Sciences major to apply to the Doctorate in Physical Therapy Program (D)PT. The proposal provides a guided path for maximum efficiency. The proposal was the result of collaboration of faculty in HHS and PT to develop an accelerated pathway for students who wish to maximize their time and save money. The intent is that the pathway will be utilized by a small cohort of students who will be consulted and advised by both the office of student affairs and the department of PT to assure students are properly advised and have the necessary coursework to be successful.

The proposal was reviewed and approved by the Department of Rehabilitation Sciences, the Academic Affairs Committee of the College of Health Sciences and is being forwarded to HCCC for review.



University of Kentucky Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT) Accelerated Degree Program – UK DPT 3+3

Proposal submitted by the Divisions of Physical Therapy and Health Sciences, Education, and Research in the College of Health Sciences, University of Kentucky

Date: March 8, 2019

INTRODUCTION AND JUSTIFICATION

The College of Health Sciences is proposing an accelerated degree program resulting in the awarding of Bachelor of Science in Human Health Sciences (HHS) and Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT) degrees as a combined effort between the Division of Health Sciences, Education, and Research and the Division of Physical Therapy. The two divisions have collaborated on this joint proposal and faculty members of both divisions are supportive. Admitted students benefit from a rigorous, challenging and rewarding academic career, all while participating in enrichment activities that acquaint them with the clinical, administrative, community service, and career opportunities that a physical therapy degree makes possible.

This accelerated degree program will enable high-achieving and strongly motivated students to earn a bachelor's degree in HHS and a DPT degree in six years, thus reducing the customary time to complete both degrees by one year (Table 1). HHS students in the accelerated program will be eligible to apply for admission to the DPT program in their junior (third) year, and admitted students would initiate DPT coursework during their fourth year at UK. Admitted students will earn an HHS bachelor's degree upon completion of all major requirements. Students must maintain a rigorous schedule in order to complete 103-106 credit hours and all required courses for the undergraduate major in three years (six semesters). Once the students complete the first semester of the DPT program, 17 credit hours from the DPT curriculum will be applied to the undergraduate degree to complete the 120 hours needed for the undergraduate degree. This should result in the student completing 120-123 credit

hours. Upon successful completion of the degree requirements and the first semester of the DPT program (17 credit hours); the Bachelor of Science in Human Health Sciences will be awarded.

During their undergraduate coursework in the first three years of the HHS major program, students must meet the pre-requisites for admission into the DPT program. This proposal documents the collaborative effort between the HHS Bachelor of Science degree program and the DPT program. This partnership does not exclude future collaborations (such as a 3+3 program with exercise science). Specific to the HHS major, students must meet a rigorous holistic admission process for HHS, and then select the Physical Therapy pre-professional preparation track (pre-PT track). This track is structured to provide students interested in pursuing a career in Physical Therapy the pre-requisite courses to be competitive for admission into doctoral programs in Physical Therapy throughout the country, in addition to the program here at UK. Therefore, a student at UK interested in Physical Therapy can take advantage of the UK BS/DPT accelerated degree plan, or can choose to complete their bachelor degree in a traditional 4-year plan, and upon graduation, subsequently have completed the foundation coursework to explore a professional Doctor of Physical Therapy degree at UK or other institutions.

This 3+3 accelerated program proposal supplements the existing Pre-PT track within the HHS degree program that was originally approved by the Senate in 2013. While we anticipate undergraduate students outside of UK interested in Physical Therapy will apply for admission into our DPT degree program, the accelerated degree program will provide UK students a portal to obtain the pre-requisites, and then receive consideration for admission into the UK DPT program. The accelerated degree BS/DPT program will provide an academic and financial advantage to UK students by reducing the number of academic years necessary to complete both degrees, and subsequently sit for the National Physical Therapy Exam for licensure as a physical therapist. With the cost of university considered, this option is positive for the students who come into UK already planning to enter a DPT program. A savings of one year of tuition and living expenses

provides an acknowledgement for the well-prepared and focused student via financial benefit.

The BS/DPT accelerated degree program is responsive to the needs of the people of Kentucky and the nation by helping make DPT education more affordable and expediting training so the students enter the workforce earlier. There continues to be a need for physical therapy practitioners in Kentucky, and especially in rural, medically underserved areas of the Commonwealth. Facilitating an expedited training program also allows graduates the potential to join the workforce earlier with less financial debt. This accelerated degree program will offer advanced preparation for students from a program at UK ranked in the top 20 nationally. We expect to attract students from Kentucky, but also from surrounding states, to the university with this program.

Our admission standards for the DPT degree and the HHS degree will be unchanged and will continue to be selective and limited, but with Physical Therapy identified as one of the fastest growing professions and with a high need throughout Kentucky, the BS/DPT accelerated degree partnership will be able to service the Commonwealth in new and exciting ways. We will be able to confirm acceptance to the DPT program sooner than students would traditionally submit for the application cycle, thus retaining highly qualified students to develop exceptional physical therapy providers.

ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

STEERING COMMITTEE

The BS/DPT accelerated degree program steering committee will consist of the Division of Physical Therapy Director (and admissions committee chair) and representatives (i.e. Department Chair, Division Director, Program Faculty, Academic Advisor) from the partnering Human Health Sciences bachelor's degree program. Additional representation will include the Associate Dean for Student Affairs from the College of Health Sciences as a representative of the office that manages admissions processes for both the undergraduate and professional programs. The steering committee will be charged with 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 BS/DPT accelerated degree program faculty of record will consist of all faculty in the Division of Physical Therapy and all faculty in the Division of HSER in the College of Health Sciences. Annual meetings will occur in which information will be shared among the faculty of record. Throughout the year, information will be shared as needed via email and through members of the steering committee.

ASSESSMENT OF THE PROGRAM

Each contributing degree program (HHS, DPT) will assess students' success and attainment of student learning outcomes as part of the programmatic assessment plan for the particular degree program. In addition, student-learning outcomes are assessed every year in the College in response to SACSCOC requirements. The BHS/DPT accelerated degree program, while condensed, retains all the specific course requirements of the curricula from each contributing degree program.

At the end of the fall semester of the fourth year (first year of the DPT program), the HHS bachelor's program, in coordination with the Office of Student Affairs (OSA), will assess the progress of accelerated BS/DPT students completing their first semester of the DPT program. Following successful completion, C or better in each course, of the first semester of the DPT coursework, the 17 credit hours will be applied to the undergraduate bachelor's degree to fulfill the 120 hour bachelor's degree requirements. Should a student not successfully complete their first semester in the DPT program the DPT Standards and Progression Committee will review the student's potential for a recycle plan and make a determination for the student's ability to move forward. If the student is not permitted or chooses not to continue in the DPT program, the student can return to their undergraduate standing and complete the remaining credit hours needed to complete the bachelor's degree in HHS. This may include the use of some of the coursework successfully completed in the DPT program to the bachelor's in science in

HHS. BS/DPT students will retain contact with their undergraduate advisor, in addition to their DPT advisor, until receipt of their bachelor's degree in December of year four. After conferral of the students' bachelor's degree, the DPT advisor will have sole responsibility for advising the students.

In addition, the OSA staff will keep records of the following student data:

- a. Numbers and demographics of high school seniors applying, accepted, and enrolled in the BS/DPT accelerated degree program;
- b. Progress to completion of bachelor's degree of enrolled candidates;
- Numbers and demographics of accelerated degree student applications, acceptances, and
- d. enrollments in the DPT degree program;
- e. Progress toward completion of the DPT degree of admitted candidates
- f. Additional information on career trajectories of students who do not apply or who are not accepted, or do not matriculate into the DPT degree program;
- g. Pass/fail rates on the national licensing exam (NPTE) for Physical Therapy students compared to other students completing the DPT degree program on a traditional path.
- h. Follow-up student satisfaction surveys at regular intervals and a formal assessment of students who matriculate into the DPT program on the 3+3 accelerated pathway as required by the Commission on Accreditation of Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE) to maintain accreditation.

PROCEDURE FOR APPLICATION AND ADMISSION TO PROGRAM

ADMISSIONS PROCESS:

Admission to BS/DPT accelerated program is selective and competitive, and is a twostep process. Students are expected to maintain a rigorous schedule in order to complete 103-106 credit hours and all required courses for the undergraduate major in three years (six semesters). This is an accelerated degree program in that the first semester of DPT courses (17 credit hours) will count towards the total 120 credit hours required for the HHS bachelor's degree. Admission to the HHS degree program and selection of the pre-professional Physical Therapy track does not guarantee admission to the DPT degree program nor the subsequent utilization of the BS/DPT plan. Students in the HHS degree program that have identified interest in the BS/DPT program with the requisite number of credit hours, (minimum of 103 undergraduate hours), and achievement of pre-requisites for the DPT program may apply to the DPT degree program in the fall of their third year at UK. Students desiring admission to the 3+3 accelerated program will be considered by the DPT Admissions Committee in the regular course of the DPT admissions process with all other applicants in that year. Upon receiving successful admission to the DPT program, these students will be designated officially as BS/DPT accelerated students.

The academic advisor in the CHS-OSA designated to work with HHS major students in the pre-PT track will provide personalized attention to students who identify interest in the BS/DPT accelerated program upon admission into the HHS bachelor's program and placement into the pre-professional Physical Therapy track. The advisor will continue to work with these students through the completion of the bachelor's degree. If they are admitted into the DPT program, students will be advised by both their undergraduate and professional advisors until completion of the bachelor's degree. Students who opt not to enter the BS/DPT program, or do not receive admission into the DPT program, will be advised only through completion of their bachelor's degree by their undergraduate advisor.

The curriculum has been organized such that students who are not accepted in the DPT program will graduate within 4 years with a bachelor's in HHS and are eligible to reapply to the DPT program at UK, if desired, or to any other DPT program.

CRITERIA FOR ADMISSIONS CONSIDERATION

Students that wish to utilize the BS/DPT accelerated program must be admitted into the HHS bachelor's degree program and then, during their junior year, into the DPT degree program. When applying to the DPT program during their junior year, students will also

designate their eligibility for the BS/DPT accelerated program through the online application. The following admissions criteria for both the HHS and DPT programs are unchanged from those already approved for admission into the respective programs.

Bachelor's Degree Admissions (HHS)

Admission into the Human Health Sciences program is holistic in nature. Consideration is given to academic rigor and achievement, leadership and community involvement, health care focus and experience, and cultural understanding and experiences. There will be an admissions cap of approximately 120 students for each yearly cohort of HHS students. Cohorts consist of several tracks (i.e., pre-PT, pre-PA, pre-AT, pre-pharmacy, pre-dentistry, pre-OT, etc.). The pre-PT accelerated track size will be limited in scope due to the nature of the accelerated science and math curriculum. Admissions processes for the Human Health Sciences program are described below for both current high school and college transfer students, as well as current UK students. Interested students submit an application, including an essay, related to their interest in the HHS program. Student applications are reviewed by the HHS Director of Undergraduate Studies as well as an Office of Student Affairs representative.

While holistic in scope, admission into HHS is a highly competitive process. The following factors are taken into consideration as part of the currently established admissions process:

New Students (college freshmen):

- Completion of program application process;
- High school GPA (preference given to those with an unweighted high school grade-point average
- of 3.5 or higher);
- ACT or SAT scores (preference given to those with a 28 ACT composite or SAT equivalent or higher).

Current UK students and transfers:

• Completion of program application process;

- Cumulative college GPA of 3.2 or higher (student must also exhibit a 3.0 semester GPA or higher during term of application) is preferred;
- No more than 60 earned hours is preferred;
- Satisfactory completion (maintain a 3.5 GPA or higher in these courses) of CHE 105 and 111, PSY 100, and MA 137.

Doctor of Physical Therapy Admission Requirements (unchanged from currently approved requirements)

All applicants must meet the minimum academic standards of a college GPA of 2.75 or above and minimum GRE scores of 140 (verbal), 140 (quantitative) and 2.5 (analytical writing). In order to be competitive, the GPA should be 3.2 or above, and GRE scores on both the verbal and qualitative should be above the 45th percentile, and a 4 on the analytical section are recommended.

Additionally, applicants must also present with the following requirements:

- Completion of a minimum of 103 credit hours of the following coursework at the undergraduate or graduate level with a minimum grade equivalent of a "C" in all prerequisite coursework, with a minimum overall GPA ≥ 2.75 (out of a 4.0):
- Prerequisite coursework:
 - Chemistry (8-10 credits including lab)
 - Biology (8-10 credits including lab)
 - Physics (8-10 credits including lab)
 - Psychology (3 credits of introductory psychology and 3 credits of developmental or another advanced psychology)
 - Statistics (3 credits)
 - Oral communication
 - Medical Terminology (2-3 credits)
 - Human Anatomy and physiology with labs can be substituted for one of the biology courses(8-10 credits)

Experience/Observation Hours:

Students applying to the DPT program are required to complete and document

- o 50 hours of observation under the supervision of a Physical Therapist. At
- least half (25 hours) must be completed in each of two different settings.

Graduate Record Examination

- Students must submit an official and original GRE score report. The scores must be from within the last five years. Use DPT program school code and submit through the national centralized application service (PTCAS): 7753
- Application through PTCAS.org will include transcript submission, GRE score submission and items such as:

Personal Statement

 A 1-page essay that summarizes the applicant's interest in becoming physical therapist

Professional references

 A list of three professional references (one PT, one college academic reference and a second of either of these)

Once admitted to the program the following additional requirements are expected:

First-Aid Certification

- Applicants must hold current first-aid and CPR, and Basic Life Support
- certifications through either the American Heart Association or the American Red
- Cross.

Undergraduate Institution Academic Transcript

 UK undergraduate students must demonstrate ability to satisfy completion of UK Bachelor's degree requirements or selection of the UK-BS/DPT 3 + 3 accelerated program

INFORMATION FOR PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS

APPLICATION CYCLE

The application cycle begins in August of applicant's senior year of high school for enrollment as a freshman majoring in Human Health Sciences and matriculating the following August. Admissions is operated on a rolling basis for current UK undergraduate or prospective transfer students. The application remains open throughout the year and successful applicants will matriculate into the undergraduate

program of study for the term immediately following their admission offer. The application cycle is July 1 through December 1 for enrollment into the Doctor of Physical Therapy program for matriculation the following August.

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Once accepted as an undergraduate student, students select the pre-professional track of interest. The HHS Director of Undergraduate Studies (or designated HHS faculty member), the Director of the Physical Therapy program (or designated DPT faculty member), and an Office of Student Affairs advisor will meet with students who select the pre-Physical Therapy track during the freshmen summer advising sessions prior to the start of their freshmen year. These students will be notified of the 3+3 BS/DPT accelerated program option. Students interested in the accelerated option will be notified of the rigor of the program, program expectations, and so on. Students who choose the 3+3 BS/DPT accelerated program option will continue to be advised by the HHS Director of Undergraduate Studies, the Director of the Physical Therapy program, and the OSA advisor to ensure students are successfully progressing through the accelerated program. To become competitive for the BS/DPT accelerated program, students are expected to follow the recommended curriculum and maintain a cumulative GPA of at least 3.5. If satisfactory progress is achieved by the end of the second year at UK, students should plan to take the GRE sometime between the summer and fall before their third year. Students will apply to the DPT program between July 1 and December 1 during their third year for enrollment in the DPT program in the fall of their fourth year. If a student follows the combined required curricula of the bachelor's and DPT degrees as designated in the BS/DPT accelerated program and is admitted to both programs via the 3+3 option, the student will graduate with a bachelor's degree in December of the fourth year, and with a DPT degree in August of the sixth year.

EXAMPLE OF A 3+3 CURRICULUM AND TIMELINE

A representative sequence that combines the pre PT track in the HHS bachelor's degree with the proposed DPT degree program is provided in the Table 1. The DPT degree curriculum and sequence is the same for all enrolled students in that program,

including the BS/DPT accelerated students. Therefore, three years of the undergraduate degree and the first two semesters of the DPT program can be seen in Table 1. Students would start the DPT in August at the start of the fourth year at UK.

Traditional HHS Student Schedule

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Physical Therapy HHS Student Schedule

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UK Core Courses		
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Pre-Professional Requirements		
Free Electives/Pre-Professional		
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All course listed in]	

MEMO 10/2/18

TO: Carl Mattacola, Professor and Associate Dean of Academic Affairs

FROM: Debbie Kelly – Chair of Academic Affairs **RE:** Academic Affairs review of HHS/DPT 3 + 3

Dear Dr. Mattacola,

Debouah gkelly

The Academic Affairs (AA) Committee has thoroughly reviewed the proposal submitted by Tony English for the HHS/DPT 3 + 3 program. The Academic Affairs committee recommends approval of this accelerated program proposal. Thanks for the opportunity to review this proposal. Please let me know if I can help clarify anything regarding this recommendation.

Sincerely,

Deborah G. Kelly PT, MSED, DPT, Chair – CHS Academic Affairs Committee (2018-2019)



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September 27, 2018

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Dear. Dr. Mattacola:

Attached is a proposal to establish an accelerated degree program in collaboration with the Human Health Sciences degree program in the College of Health Sciences. This 3+3 program will give qualified students an opportunity to obtain both the bachelor's degree in Human Health Sciences and the DPT degree in six rather than seven years. The savings of one year of tuition and starting their physical therapy career a year earlier will be a great asset for them and will be an attractive tool for recruiting bright focused students to the college.

Thank you for considering this proposal. Please let me know if there is any other information you need.

Sincerely,

Robert A. (Tony) English, PT, PhD Physical Therapy Division Director September 28, 2018

Dear Dr. English,

The Human Health Sciences (HHS) program faculty support the HHS/DPT 3+3 Accelerated Program. Our faculty voted on this program proposal during our regular faculty meeting on Friday, September 21, 2018. All faculty voted in favor of supporting the HHS/DPT 3+3 Accelerated Program.

Please let me know if you are in need of any additional information or verification of support.

Sincerely,

Jami Warren, PhD Director of Undergraduate Studies in Human Health Sciences



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Cc: English, Robert; Sandidge, Rosetta; Abel, Mark G.

Subject: KHP support of HHS 3+3 DPT proposal

Hello, Dr. Cramer,

Representatives from KHP have met with representatives from the HHS – DPT accelerated dual degree program and are aware of their proposal. We are working together with the College of Health Sciences and the DPT program on another proposal that includes a 3 + 3 for KHP undergraduate majors.

We are supportive of the HHS 3+3 proposal with the understanding that HHS faculty will continue to involve KHP in the process, including consistent marketing for both UG programs, and the ongoing consideration of KHP undergraduate majors as DPT students.

Best, Heather

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