April 9, 2004

MEMORANDUM

TO: David S. Watt, Ph.D., Chair, Medical Center Academic Council
    Deans, Department Chairs, and Members of the University Senate

FR: Lori S. Gonzalez, Ph.D.
    Associate Dean for Academic Affairs

RE: Request for Change in the Rehabilitation Sciences Doctoral Program

The College of Health Sciences recommends approval of the proposed change in the Rehabilitation Sciences Doctoral Program in the Department of Rehabilitation Sciences.

Proposed Change:

- Research Methodology Requirements
  - **Current Requirement:** 10 credits with STAT 671 and STAT 672 (both two credits) required. The remaining 6 credits are selected by the student with approval from the Doctoral Advisory Committee.
  - **Proposed Requirement:** Continue the requirement of 10 credits in research methodology, but require only one advanced statistics course. All courses in the research methodology core requires approval of the students’ Doctoral Advisory Committees.
  - **Rationale:** Allowing various options for advanced statistics courses from throughout the university provides more flexibility in meeting the research objectives of students’ research agendas. The final decision must be made by the Advisory Committee which provides for oversight of the rigor of the academic component of the program.

CONTACT PERSON: Susan Effgen, Ph.D., Director of the Rehabilitation Sciences Doctoral Program., 323-1100, ext. 80579.
REQUEST FOR CHANGE IN DOCTORAL DEGREE PROGRAM

Program: Rehabilitation Sciences Doctoral Program

Department/Division: Rehabilitation Sciences

College: College of Health Sciences Bulletin pp

Degree Title (Old): Degree Title (New)

CIP Code: 51.2399

Accrediting Agency (if applicable):

1. PROPOSED CHANGE(S) IN PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

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NOTE: To the extent that changes in 6 or 8 above involve additional courses to other programs, please include documentation from the program(s) pertaining to the availability of such courses.
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Signatures of Approval:

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3/15/04
Date

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Dean of the College
4/19/04
Date

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Academic Council for the Medical Center

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ACTION OTHER THAN APPROVAL

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