REQUEST FOR CHANGE IN MASTERS DEGREE PROGRAM

Program: Master's in Public Health: Biostatistics concentration

Department/Division: Biostatistics

College: Public Health

Degree Title (Old): ____________________________ Major (New): ____________________________

CIP Code: ____________ HEGIS Code: ____________

Accrediting Agency (if applicable):

I. CHANGE(S) IN PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

1. Number of transfer credits allowed
   (Graduate School limit: 9 hours or 25% of coursework)

2. Residence requirement (if applicable)

3. Language(s) and/or skill(s) required

4. Termination criteria

5. Plan A requirements*

6. Plan B requirements*

7. Distribution of course levels required
   (At least one half must be at 600+ level & two thirds must be in organized courses)

8. Required courses (if applicable)

   SPH 630 and 3 of: SPH 664, SPH 631, CPH 664, CPH 631, CPH 632, SPH 535

9. Required distribution of courses within program (if applicable)

10. Final examination requirements

* If there is only one plan for the degree, plans involving a thesis (or the equivalent in studio work, etc.) should be discussed under Plan A and those not involving a thesis should be discussed under Plan B.

NOTE: To the extent that proposed changes in 5, 6 or 8 above involve the addition of courses in other programs, please submit correspondence from the other program(s) pertaining to the availability of such courses to your students.
II. RATIONALE FOR CHANGE(S)

If the rationale involves accreditation requirements, please include specific references to those requirements. CPH 636 (Data Mining in Public Health) is a new course suitable for public health students with an interest in exploring large public health data sets. We envisage that this course will be particularly valuable for Biostatistics concentrators. Accordingly, we propose that CPH 636 be one of the options for completing three CPH Biostatistics courses beyond CPH 630 (see item 8 above) and that CPH 636 be one of the options for completing the elective (see item 11 above).

Signatures of Approval:

Richard J. Kugler  
Department Chair

Stephen W. Wyant  
Dean of the College

*Undergraduate Council

*University Studies

*Graduate Council

J. Blackwell  
Academic Council for the Medical Center

Senate Council

Date

16-20-04

Date of Notice to the Faculty

12-20-04

Date

3-24-05

Date

Date

*If applicable, as provided by the Rules of the University Senate

ACTION OTHER THAN APPROVAL

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