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College/Department/Unit: M. A. in Piano Performance, Emphasis in Instrumental Accompanying
Category:_ = New
Date_for_Council_Review: = Oct. 19, 2006
Recommendation_is:_ = Approve
Investigator: = Robert Jensen
E-mail_Address = Robert.Jensen@uky.edu

1_Modifications: = I asked the School of Music to revise their proposal because they asked for six more credit hours for these two new emphases in Piano Performance than they required in their existing degree program. They have subsequently made these revisions, which I am passing on to the Graduate Council on their behalf.
2_Considerations: =
3_Contacts: = Ben Arnold, chair of School of Music. See #1 above.
4_Additional_Information: =

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# UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY

## REQUEST FOR CHANGE IN MASTERS DEGREE PROGRAM

**Program:** Master of Music in Piano Performance - addition of Emphasis in Vocal and/or Instrumental Accompanying

**Department/Division:** School of Music

**College:** Fine Arts

**Degree Title (Old):** M.M.  
**Major (New):** M.M. (no change)

**CIP Code:** M50.0903  
**HEGIS Code:**

**Accrediting Agency (if applicable):** NACM

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## I. CHANGE(S) IN PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

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<td>1. Number of transfer credits allowed (Graduate School limit: 9 hours or 25% of coursework)</td>
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<td>N/A</td>
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<td>3. Language(s) and/or skill(s) required</td>
<td>As described in the current Graduate School Bulletin (page 22)</td>
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<td>7. Distribution of course levels required (At least one half must be at 600+ level &amp; two thirds must be in organized courses)</td>
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<td>8. Required courses (if applicable)</td>
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<td>10. Final examination requirements</td>
<td>A final comprehensive examination and a public recital acceptable to the faculty</td>
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* 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.
11. Any other requirements not covered above
N/A

II. RATIONALE FOR CHANGE(S)
If the rationale involves accreditation requirements, please include specific references to those requirements.

Accompanying requires different and specialized skills which our present M.M. in Piano Performance does not address. This particular draft is an attempt to address such skills for students who would like to pursue accompanying as their career: there is a growing demand for professional accompanists in the music field. Practically all UK benchmark Universities have a graduate degree in Accompanying, and in addition, such a degree is offered in a vast variety of institutions in the USA (U of Michigan, Eastman School of Music, U of Florida, U of North Carolina, U of Arizona, U of Miami - to name a few). In order to be competitive and to continue to advance towards the top 20 status, UK School of Music has an absolute need for an Emphasis in Vocal and/or Instrumental Accompanying to the present M.M. degree program. Moreover, our growing UK Opera program (along with other departments of the School) will benefit enormously if such an Emphasis is offered: the M.M. in Piano Performance with an Emphasis in Vocal and/or Instrumental Accompanying will facilitate learning and performing processes at the School of Music, and will certainly attract more qualified students to the University of Kentucky.

Signatures of Approval:

[Signatures and dates]

*Undergraduate Council

*University Studies

*Graduate Council

Academic Council for the Medical Center

[Signatures and dates]
Senate Council

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

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ACTION OTHER THAN APPROVAL

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### Proposed Curriculum for

**Master of Music Degree in Piano Performance with Emphasis in Vocal Accompanying**:

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**TOTAL: 36 credit hours**

6 hours of Piano Performance
6 hours of Music History and/or Literature
6 hours of Music Theory
6 hours of Vocal Coaching
3 hours of Vocal Literature
3 hours of Electives

*Electives (MUP 503, Organ or MUP 520, Harpsichord are highly recommended. Other courses in consultation with advisor)*
Proposed Curriculum for
Master of Music Degree in Piano Performance with Emphasis in Instrumental
Accompanying:

**Semester I:**

- Studio Piano, MUP 501 3 credit hours
- Music History Course 3 credit hours
- Advanced Chamber Music Ensemble, 1 credit hour
- MUC 570
- Electives* 1 credit hour

**Semester II:**

- Studio Piano, MUP 501 3 credit hours
- Music History or Literature 3 credit hours
- Advanced Chamber Music Ensemble, 1 credit hour
- MUC 570
- Electives* 2 credit hours

**Semester III:**

- Studio Piano, MUP 601 3 credit hours
- Music Theory Course 3 credit hours
- Advanced Chamber Music Ensemble, 1 credit hour
- MUC 570
- Electives 2 credit hours

**Semester IV:**

- Studio Piano, MUP 601 3 credit hours
- Advanced Chamber Music Ensemble, 1 credit hour
- MUC 570
- Chamber Music Literature 3 credit hours
- Music Theory Course 3 credit hours
- Recital 0

**TOTAL:** 36 credit hours

- 4 hours of Advanced Chamber Ensemble
- 12 hours of Piano Performance
- 6 hours of Music History and/or Literature
- 6 hours of Music Theory
- 3 hours of Chamber Music Literature
- 5 hours of Electives

*Electives (MUP 503, Organ, or MUP 520, Harpsichord are highly recommended. Other courses in consultation with advisor)
TO: Bob Shay, Dean
College of Fine Arts

FROM: Ben Arnold, Director
School of Music

RE: Accompanying Proposal

DATE: 6 September 2005

Attached is a “Request for Change in Masters Degree Program.” We are requesting to add a new emphasis in Vocal and/or Instrumental Accompanying to our Master of Music in Piano Performance within the School of Music. We feel this is an important addition to our Master of Music in Piano Performance and will help us to be more competitive with our benchmark institutions.

If you have any questions, please let me know.