

April 30, 2012

To: Dr. Connie Webster, Faculty Senate President

From: 
Beverly Hartline, Dean of Graduate Studies

Subject: Program Revision Proposal for Master's of Public Administration

At its meeting on April 26, 2012, the Graduate Council discussed and voted unanimously to recommend approval of the attached proposal to revise the Master's degree program in Public Administration (MPA). This proposal updates and aligns the curriculum with the standards of the National Association of Schools of Public Affairs and Administration (NASPAA), the professional accrediting agency for public administration programs. It adds two concentrations, aligned with demand: one in non-profit management and one in procurement and public contracting. It modifies the admissions and degree requirements. It is accompanied by syllabi for several new courses.

I will be unable to attend the Senate meeting on May 8, 2012. Professor Pearson will be presenting the proposal to the Senate, accompanied by representatives of the MPA program.

Cc: Secretary to the Faculty Senate (Dr. Musgrove); Graduate Council; Dean Bebee (SBPA), Dr. Antonia Nowell (MPA), Dr. Sylvia Benatti (MPA), Dr. Hany Makhoulf (Department Chairperson)