

May 22, 2009

Elliot E. Slotnick
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Dear Elliot:

The College of Public Health would like to formalize the graduate specialization in Clinical Investigations. We have enclosed a description of this specialization, along with a brief justification. We have also included letters of support from Medicine and Pharmacy, indicating their willingness to participate.

Thanks very much for your assistance. Please let me know if you need any more information for your review.

Sincerely,

Amy K. Ferketich, PhD
Graduate Studies Committee Chair
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PROPOSAL TO CREATE GRADUATE SPECIALIZATIONS IN THE SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH

May 22, 2009

The Ohio State University School of Public Health was created by the Board of Trustees in 1995, and the degrees have been accredited by the Council on Education for Public Health continuously since that time (some degrees predated the creation of the School and have been accredited for a longer period). In 2007 the College of Public Health was formed. Currently the College offers a Master's of Public Health in six specialized areas that have been formally approved by the Graduate School and the Office of Academic Affairs: epidemiology, environmental health sciences, health behavior and health promotion, health services management and policy, public health biostatistics, and veterinary public health.

Our newest specialization in clinical investigations is particularly exciting to us, as it represents an important collaborative opportunity. The health sciences colleges at OSU have all worked with the College of Public Health for quite some time, and some faculty are jointly appointed in both units. With the newly formed Center for Clinical and Translational Science (CCTS) we anticipate an increased demand for the MPH in Clinical Investigations degree. The CCTS TL1 program began with the Clinical and Translational Science Award to OSU in spring of 2008. OSU joined 37 other academic medical research institutions that form the National Consortium of CTSA's. Philip F. Binkley, MD MPH is the Program Director of the Research, Education, and Career Development core of the CCTS, which oversees the activities of the TL1. He is also the co-director of the MPH in Clinical Investigations specialization in the College of Public Health (Dr. Randall Harris is the other co-director). The goal of the CCTS TL1 program is to train and support future clinical and translational leaders. The training program builds on strong programs that already exist in the Colleges of Medicine, Nursing, Pharmacy, Optometry, Public Health, Veterinary Medicine, and Dentistry. The MPH in Clinical Investigations will fit very nicely with the TL1 program and it will provide an additional option for clinical training among those affiliated with the CCTS. We expect the creation of this specialization to benefit not only the students who are actually in the specialization, but also many others in both areas who will find the courses attractive as electives.

The attached information describes the Clinical Investigations specialization in more detail. We should note that this specialization will be contained within the Division of Epidemiology. There are currently 19 students who are enrolled in coursework in the Specialization, mainly dual degree MD/MPH students, pursuing an MPH in this area.

GRADUATE SPECIALIZATION IN CLINICAL INVESTIGATIONS**Course Work:****Core Courses (20 credit hours)**

PUBH-BIO 701	Design and Analysis of Studies in the Health Sciences I	04 cr. hrs.
PUBH-EHS 731	Principles of Environmental Health	04 cr. hrs.
PUBH-EPI 710	Principles of Epidemiology	04 cr. hrs.
PUBH-HBP 720	Preventing Dis. & Promoting Hlth. through Behav. Sci.	04 cr. hrs.
HSMP 800	Health Care Organization I	04 cr. hrs.

Specialization Courses (25 hours)

PUBH-EPI 715	Principles & Procedures of Human Clinical Trials	04 cr. hrs.
PUBH-EPI 711	Epidemiology I	04 cr. hrs.
PUBH-EPI 712	Epidemiology II	04 cr. hrs.
PUBH-BIO 702	Design and Analysis of Studies in the Health Sciences II	04 cr. hrs.
PUBH-BIO 703	A Problem-Oriented Approach to Biostatistics	04 cr. hrs.
PUB HLTH 795	Seminar in Clinical Investigation	05 cr. hrs.

Elective Course (Minimum of 7 credit hours)**Practice Placement (4 credit hours)**

PUBH 685	Field Experience in Public Health	04 cr. hrs.
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Culminating Project (4 credit hours)

PUBH 785	Culminating Project in Public Health	04 cr. hrs.
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May 15, 2009

Dr. Amy Ferketich
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Dear Dr. Ferketich,

This letter is to indicate our support for the inclusion of Clinical Investigations as one of the specialization areas within the Master of Public Health degree. We agree that the faculty in our department will support the administration of this MPH specialization. In addition, we will be responsible for providing research practicum and culminating project opportunities that will be required for this specialization area. We also expect to serve as advisors to students in this specialization. We appreciate the opportunity to collaborate with the College of Public Health in offering this important graduate training opportunity to students. We look forward to additional mutually beneficial teaching arrangements in the future.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Philip F. Binkley, MD, MPH'.

Philip Binkley, MD, MPH
Professor
CI Program Director

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Michael Grever, MD'.

Michael Grever, MD
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May 18, 2009

Dr. Amy Ferketich
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Dear Dr. Ferketich:

I am writing in support of the Clinical Investigations specialization in the College of Public Health. The clinical research focus to this specialization does not significantly overlap with the graduate programs offered in the College of Pharmacy. This specialization will provide a new opportunity for our students in the Translational Sciences emphasis in our program as well.

Over the years, we have had several students pursue an MPH while enrolled in one of our doctoral programs. This particular specialization may be appealing to these students and complement our own graduate and professional education efforts. In fact, I am aware that Philip Binkley, MD, MPH, the co-director of the MPH in Clinical Investigation, and Cynthia Carnes, PharmD, PhD, have collaborated in a number of programs for the training of students from a variety of backgrounds. This emphasis area provides them an ideal opportunity to continue this collaboration.

We look forward to this exciting new specialization in Public Health.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Robert W. Brueggemeier".

Robert W. Brueggemeier, Ph.D.
Dean, College of Pharmacy
Professor, Medicinal Chemistry

**Graduate Council
June 1, 2009
226 University Hall
Meeting Minutes**

Graduate Council Members Present:

Ana Azevedo, Jim Bartholomew, Teresa Early, Michael Lairmore, Walter Lempert, Jason Marion, Anne McCoy, Ruth Peterson, James Phelan, Harald Vaessin, Ingrid Werner

Graduate School Staff Present: Patrick Osmer, Ann Salimbene, Elliot Slotnick, Susan Reeser (recorder)

A. Approval of Minutes

- The minutes from the April 20, 2009, Graduate Council meeting were approved as submitted.

B. Announcements – Dean Pat Osmer

- The Graduate School hosted the annual CIC Graduate Deans meeting at Ohio State on May 21-22, 2009, showcasing the campus facilities and graduate student performers in the School of Music.
- Reported that the NRC methodology report is planned to be released later this month.
- The task forces on life sciences and environmental sciences are beginning to work on the final reports.

C. Graduate Council Curriculum Committee Reports and Actions

– Theresa Early, Liaison

1. Proposal to update curriculum to the graduate minor in Environment and Natural Resources Graduate Program (ENRGP)
2. Proposal from the College of Education and Human Ecology to offer 4th/5th grade endorsements as an add-on to the PreK-3 License
3. Proposal to include courses as curriculum options for the Graduate Interdisciplinary Specialization in Global Health
4. Proposal to discontinue graduate program in Comprehensive Vocational Education (CVE)
5. Proposal to create a new “Clinical Investigation” Graduate Specialization in the School of Public Health
6. Request for change in minimum credit hour requirement for Doctor of Nursing Practice Degree (DNP)
7. Proposal for the creations of a Graduate Specialization in Museum Education and Administration in the Art Education program
 - **Professor Early explained each of the proposals, in the order presented above, and indicated that they had been vetted and approved by the Curriculum Committee. The proposals were approved by Graduate Council and will be forwarded to the Council on Academic Affairs for final processing.**

D. Business

1. Policy changes with switch from quarters to semesters
 - Council members discussed the pros and cons about the change from quarters to semesters and the proposed academic semester calendars for Ohio State. They