Proposal to the Senate Educational Policy Committee

Please replace all text in italic with appropriate information before submitting your proposal.
Your entries should be in regular (not italic) font.

PROPOSAL TITLE: Terminate the Ed.D. degree in Music Education

SPONSOR: Louis Bergonzi, Professor of Music (Music Education), 244-6654, bergonzi@illinois.edu

COLLEGE CONTACT: Joyce Griggs, Associate Director, School of Music, 244-2671, griggs@illinois.edu

BRIEF DESCRIPTION: The School of Music, on the recommendation of the Graduate College, wishes to terminate the Ed.D. degree in music education.

JUSTIFICATION: In spring 2012, a sub-group of the Music Education faculty met weekly to consider improvements to the graduate program that would make it more attractive. The group examined websites of doctoral programs at ten peer institutions and compared our program to theirs in ten categories, including application requirements, mentoring, types of degrees offered, qualifying exam, and several others. One crucial point emerged immediately: in the field of music education, the doctoral program of choice is the Ph.D., and that no other programs offered the Ed.D. Current Ed.D. students will have the option of completing their degrees as planned or transferring into the Ph.D. The entire Music Education faculty wishes to strengthen the Ph.D. program, making it the signature degree at Illinois, and to revise and update application expectations and requirements.

BUDGETARY AND STAFF IMPLICATIONS: (Please respond to each of the following questions. Place your response right after each item. See Appendix A for questions required of new degree program proposals as well additional notes regarding budgetary and staff implications.)

a. Additional staff and dollars needed NONE
b. Internal reallocations (e.g., change in class size, teaching loads, student-faculty ratio, etc.) NONE
c. Effect on course enrollment in other units and explanations of discussions with representatives of those departments NONE
d. Impact on the University Library NONE
e. Impact on computer use, laboratory use, equipment, etc. NONE

**DESIRED EFFECTIVE DATE:** January 2013 (as soon as possible)

**STATEMENT FOR PROGRAMS OF STUDY CATALOG:** NONE
CLEARANCES: (Clearances should include signatures and dates of approval. These signatures must appear on a separate sheet. If multiple departments or colleges are sponsoring the proposal, please add the appropriate signature lines below.)

Signatures:

Unit Representative: [Signature]
Date: 10-15-12

College Representative: [Signature]
Date: 10-16-12

Graduate College Representative: [Signature]
Date: 11-19-12

Council on Teacher Education Representative:
Appendix A:
(Budgetary and Staff Implications)
(Replace the following material with your appendix, if any.)

New Degree Programs – Required Budgetary Implication Questions

1) How does the unit intend to financially support this program?

2) Will the unit need to seek campus or other external resources?

3) If no new resources are required, how will the unit create capacity or surplus to appropriately resource this program? (What functions or programs will the unit no longer support?)

4) Please provide a market analysis: What market indicators are driving this proposal? What type of employment outlook should these graduates expect? What resources will be required to assist students with job placement?

5) If this is a proposed graduate program, please discuss the programs intended use of waivers. If the program is dependent on waivers, how will the unit compensate for lost tuition revenue?

Revised Programs – Notes on Budgetary and Staff Implications

In the past, many of the proposals for revised curricula and programs submitted to the Senate Educational Policy Committee have carried the claim, “Budgetary and Staff Implications: None.” Yet some of these proposals have called for increases in required courses or hours of faculty-supervised experience; some have projected that more students would enroll in the program when the proposed change was put into effect; some programs even increased the total number of hours or courses required for a degree. Presumably, the words “Budgetary and Staff Implications: None” meant that the unit proposing the change was not requesting new dollars or faculty lines to implement the change. However, it is difficult to see how there can be increases in the number of required courses or students served without entailing budgeting implications. If new dollars are not allocated to meet these increases, the increases may be covered by offering current classes less frequently, by increasing class size, or by increasing faculty workloads.

The Committee is concerned that in many cases the faculty of a unit may agree to accept increased class size or larger workloads because they perceive that changes requiring additional dollars will be difficult or impossible to achieve. While such a decision may indeed be defensible, a pattern of such decisions represents an erosion in faculty compensation and may, if class size is increased, lead to an erosion in educational quality. Less frequent scheduling of present courses may also have broad educational policy implications.

When courses outside the sponsoring unit are required, the units offering those courses may say routinely that yes, they can accommodate the additional students, when in fact the sections presently offered may already be full or even be overenrolled. If this is the case, the new or
revised program obviously has budgetary implications for the campus even if the sponsoring department requests no additional funds. EPC requires written concurrence from the executive officer of any unit offering courses outside the unit sponsoring the proposal. Finally, new or revised programs may well require additional library acquisitions, allocations of computer time, access to laboratories, or other support services, all of which have budgetary implications.

Providing information about internal reallocations, the effect of the change on enrollments in other departments, and the impact in auxiliary units will help the Educational Policy Committee make better decisions and help the college and campus incorporate the budgetary implications of new and revised programs in a more timely and deliberative manner.
Appendix B:  
(Proposed Curriculum Revisions)  
(Replace the following material with your appendix, if any.)

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December 3, 2012

Gay Miller, Chair
Senate Committee on Educational Policy
Office of the Senate
228 English Building, MC-461

Dear Professor Miller:

Enclosed is a copy of a proposal from the Graduate College and the College of Fine and Applied Arts to terminate the Ed.D. degree in Music Education.

This proposal has been approved by the Graduate College Executive Committee and the College of Fine and Applied Arts Courses and Curriculum Committee. It now requires Senate review.

Sincerely,

Kristi A. Kuntz
Assistant Provost

Enclosures

c: L. Bergonzi
   J. Griggs
   M. Lowry
   J. Magee
   M. Stone
November 19, 2012

Kristi Kuntz
Office of the Provost
207 Swanlund MC-304

Dear Kristi,

Enclosed is the proposal entitled “Terminate the Ed.D. Degree in Music Education.” The Graduate College Executive Committee has approved this proposal. I send it to you now for further review.

Sincerely,

Andrea Golato
Associate Dean, Graduate College

cc: L. Bergonzi
    J. Griggs
    M. Lowry
    J. Magee
    M. Stone
16 October 2012

Dean Debasish Dutta
Graduate College
204 Coble Hall
801 S. Wright St.
MC-322

Dean Dutta:

On behalf of the Courses and Curriculum Committee of the College of Fine and Applied Arts, I am forwarding the attached course change proposal for your approval.

Music Education    Terminate the Ed.D degree

I look forward to hearing from you regarding this.

Sincerely,

Marlan Stone
Assistant Dean, Undergraduate Academic Affairs

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Senate Educational Policy Committee
Proposal Check Sheet

PROPOSAL TITLE (Same as on proposal):

PROPOSAL TYPE (Please select all that apply below):

A. □ Program and degree proposals
   1. This proposal is for a graduate program or degree
      □ Yes   □ No
   2. Degree proposal (e.g. B.S., M.A. or Ph.D.)
      □ New degree — please name the new degree: ____
      □ Revision of an existing degree — please name the existing degree to be revised: ____
   3. Major proposal (disciplinary focus, e.g., Mathematics)
      □ New major — please name the new major: ____
      □ Revision of an existing major — please name the existing major to be revised: ____
   4. Concentration proposal (e.g. Financial Planning)
      □ New concentration — please name the new concentration: ____
      □ Revision of an existing concentration — please name the existing concentration to be revised: ____
   5. Minor proposal (e.g. Cinema Studies)
      □ New minor — please name the new minor: ____
      □ Revision of an existing minor — please name the existing minor to be revised: ____

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6. ☐ Proposal for renaming an existing degree, major, concentration, or minor
   ☐ degree    ☐ major    ☐ concentration    ☐ minor
   
   Please provide the current name: ____
   
   Please provide the proposed new name: ____

7. ☑ Proposal for terminating an existing degree, major, concentration, or minor
   
   Please name the existing degree, major, concentration, or minor: EdD

8. ☐ Proposal for a multi-institutional degree between Illinois (UIUC) and a foreign institution
   
   Please name the existing Illinois degree or program: ____
   
   Please name the partnering institution: ____

B. ☐ Proposal for renaming existing academic units (college, school, department, or program)
   
   Please provide the unit’s current name: ____
   
   Please provide the unit’s proposed new name: ____

C. ☐ Proposal for reorganizing existing units (colleges, schools, departments, or programs)
   
   ☐ Change in status of an existing and approved unit (e.g. change from a program to department) — please indicate current unit name including status: ____

   ☐ Transfer an existing unit
   
   Please provide the current unit’s name and home: ____
   
   Please provide the new home for the unit: ____

   ☐ Merge two or more existing units (e.g., merge department A with department B)

   Please provide the name and college of unit one to be merged: ____
   
   Please provide the name and college of unit two to be merged: ____

   ☐ Terminate an existing unit — please provide the current unit’s name and status: ____

D. ☐ Other educational policy proposals (e.g., academic calendar, grading policies, etc.)

   Please indicate the nature of the proposal: ____