May 9, 2005

MEMORANDUM

TO: Donna Hamilton
    Dean, Office of Undergraduate Studies

FROM: Victor Korenman
    Associate Provost for Academic Planning and Programs

SUBJECT: Proposal to Discontinue the Bachelor Program “Combined Program - Medicine”
    (PCC Log. No. 04046)

Chancellor Kirwan has approved our proposal to discontinue the bachelor program
“Combined Program - Medicine.” This change is effective immediately. Enclosed is a copy of
the letter from the Chancellor.

The Office of Undergraduate Studies should ensure that this change is appropriately
reflected in all university documentation.

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Enclosures
Cc: Dr. Sylvester J. Gates, Chair, Senate PCC
    Ms. Sarah Bauder, Student Financial Aid
    Dr. Mary Giles, Executive Secretary, University Senate
    Ms. Barbara Hope, Data Administration
    Dr. Phyllis Peres, Undergraduate Studies
    Ms. Anne Turkos, Archives
    Dr. Linda Yokoi, Records & Registrations
April 29, 2005

Dr. C.D. Mote, Jr.
1101 Main Administration Building
University of Maryland, College Park
College Park, MD 20742

Dear Dan:

Thank you for forwarding the request from University of Maryland, College Park to discontinue its Bachelor’s program “Combined Program – Medicine”. I am pleased to approve this change.

Sincerely,

William E. Kirwan
Chancellor

cc: Dr. Inwin Goldstein
Dr. Gertrude Eaton
Dr. William Destler
Dr. Victor Korenman
Dr. David Sumler
April 4, 2005

Chancellor William E. Kirwan
University System of Maryland
Elkins Building

Dear Chancellor Kirwan:

The Office of Undergraduate Studies has proposed to discontinue its Bachelor’s program “Combined Program - Medicine.” This program exists as a vehicle for a student completing three years of study at the University and then enrolling in the University of Maryland School of Medicine to receive a Bachelor’s degree from the University. If certain conditions are fulfilled, successful completion of the first year of medical training is counted as the final 30 credits required to be earned at the University to complete the B.A. with this major field.

Our records indicate no students enrolled in the program in the 1993-2004 time period. The School of Medicine has now informed us that they no longer accept students before they receive the Bachelor’s degree. Although nominally in place, the program is no longer actually available to students and should be removed from our inventory. No students will be affected by this proposed discontinuance.

The proposal has been endorsed by all of the appropriate faculty and administrative committees concerned, and was recommended for approval by the College Park Senate at its meeting on April 4, 2005.

I have accepted this recommendation, and ask that you transmit to the Board of Regents for their approval my intention to discontinue the Bachelor’s program “Combined Program - Medicine” at the University of Maryland. Once Board approval has been achieved, please also inform the Maryland Higher Education Commission that this program has been discontinued.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]
C. D. Mote, Jr.
President

CDM/vk
cc: William W. Destler, Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost
Donna B. Hamilton, Associate Provost and Dean for Undergraduate Studies
Arthur N. Popper, Chair, University Senate
Calvin Burnett, Secretary of Higher Education
THE UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND, COLLEGE PARK
PROGRAM/CURRICULUM PROPOSAL

DIRECTIONS: Provide one form with original approval signatures in lines 1 - 4 for each proposed action. Keep this form to one-page in length. Forms and appropriate attachments should be submitted to the Office of Academic Affairs, who will assign a Log Number to each proposal. Additional copies may be required at a later time.

DATE SUBMITTED: January 26, 2005

COLLEGE/SCHOOL: Undergraduate Studies

DEPARTMENT/PROGRAM: Undergraduate Studies

PROPOSED ACTION (A separate form for each) ADD X DELETE CHANGE

DESCRIPTION (Provide a succinct account of the proposed action. Additional detail may be provided in an attachment. Provide old and new sample programs for curriculum changes.)

Proposal to terminate the Three-Year Arts-Medicine Degree Program (HEGIS code 1299.06)

JUSTIFICATION/REASONS/RESOURCES (Explain the reason for the proposed action. Identify the source of new resources that may be required. Attach additional material if needed.)

In the fall of 2004 a brief review of the program revealed that both the Dean and admissions committee of the University of Maryland School of Medicine recommended discontinuing the program. Associate Dean of Admissions Milford Foxwell on October 5, 2004 wrote that the School of Medicine Office of the Dean team values the extra fourth year and is concerned whether the necessary "maturity and experience can be gained after three years of college."

The UM Office of Institutional Research and Planning shows no students in the program for the period 1993-2004.

APPROVAL SIGNATURES

1. Department Committee Chair

2. Department Chair

3. College/School PCC Chair

4. Dean

5. Dean of the Graduate School (if required)

6. Chair, Senate PCC

7. Chair of Senate

8. Vice President for Academic Affairs & Provost

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   4/4/05

8. Vice President for Academic Affairs & Provost  
   [Signature]  
   5/9/05

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Proposal to terminate the Three-Year Arts-Medicine Degree Program

Exceptional students in the beginning of their third year have the possibility of applying to the University of Maryland School of Medicine for admissions after successful completion of the third year. Students must have completed 90 credits including specific course work in chemistry, biology, physics and mathematics. Successful continuing students receive their B. S. after satisfactory completion of the first year of the School of Medicine.

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The University of Maryland lists the Three-Year Arts-Medicine Degree Program under the code HEGIS code 1299.06 and MHEC number 129906-40. The UM Office of Institutional Research and Planning shows no students in the program for the period 1993-2004.

In the summer of 2004 Aileen Edwards, Assistant Director of L & S and Premedical/Dental Advisor at the direction of Associate Dean Phyllis Peres undertook a brief review of the program. Edwards contacted former advisors for the program. Christopher Mays responded to an email query and explained that Dr. Michael Ulrich, the prior Premedical Advisor, had deleted the catalog entry for the Three-year Arts-Medicine Degree Program. Dr. Lisa Bradley responded that to her knowledge the program had not accepted a student in over fifteen years. In August Edwards mailed a brief note to the Dean of the School of Medicine inquiring about the program. In the letter of October 5, 2004 Associate Dean Foxwell responded with the recommendation of the admissions office. In the fall of 2004 the materials were reviewed with Dean Donna Hamilton, Undergraduate Studies, and it was decided to proceed with proposing closing of the program.
Aileen Edwards Harris, MS
Assistant Director and Premedical/Dental Advisor
Undergraduate Studies
Division of Letters and Sciences

Dear Aileen,

The Arts/Medicine Degree Program was discussed this past Tuesday at our weekly team meeting in the Office of the Dean. The consensus agreement among all present was that the program be discontinued. Dr. Wilson, Dean of the School of Medicine, agreed with this assessment and directed that I communicate his decision to you.

It is our feeling that the program no longer serves a useful purpose. There may have been a time when the program was useful as a recruiting tool for both the College Park and UMB campuses. It seems that that may have been in the day when academic credentials carried more weight than those non-cognitive variables which we now consider to be so important in the process that selects our medical students. In particular, we are obviously looking for students with the maturity to withstand the rigor of medical school and the broad experience that will allow them to make important contributions to the education of their fellow classmates and to care for a very diverse patient population. We are just not sure that such maturity and experience can be gained after three years of college. We value very much that extra year, or years if that be the case, when students can perhaps take some nonscience courses and can participate in some worthwhile activities that they otherwise may never have the chance to pursue again.

As you know, year in and year out, we matriculate more students from the College Park campus than from any other undergraduate school. We welcome the opportunity to develop strategies that will attract even more of your outstanding students to this campus. We could certainly discuss other options that might be useful in achieving such an outcome. We do not wish to increase these numbers by “rushing” students through the pipeline, as it were.

If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to call me. I would be willing certainly to speak to anyone else at the College Park Campus who would also have concerns about our position on this matter.

Sincerely,

Milford M. Foxwell, Jr., M.D.
Associate Dean for Admissions
Chairman, Committee on Admissions

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Three-Year Arts-Medicine Degree Program
At the beginning of their third year, students whose performance during the first two years is exceptional may consider applying to the University of Maryland School of Medicine after three years of college work rather than the usual four, under the combined Arts-Medicine program. By the end of the third year at College Park, the student must have earned 90 academic credits, the last 30 of which must have been earned in residence. Within the 90 credits, the student must have completed all the general education requirements. In addition, because there are certain basic admission requirements which also prepare the student for the Medical College Admissions Test (MCAT), the 90 credits would include the following:

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*Although the minimum biology requirement is eight credits, the successful applicant will likely have more, including advanced training in biological sciences at the 300-400 level. PBIO 100, 101, BIOL 101 and 102, and MICB 100 may not be taken to meet this requirement. It should also be noted that the best preparation for the MCATs and for admission to most schools would include additional courses in biology. Incoming students interested in this three-year combined degree program are strongly urged to consult the pre-medical adviser before registration for the first semester at College Park.

Students accepted in the combined Arts-Medicine Program receive the B.S. degree (Arts-Medicine) after satisfactory completion of the first year at the University of Maryland School of Medicine upon recommendation of the Dean of the School of Medicine and approval of the University of Maryland, College Park. The Bachelor of Arts degree is awarded by the University of Maryland, College Park in August following the first year of medical school. The courses of the first year of medical school constitute the major; the courses listed above constitute the supporting area.

Participation in the first three years of the combined degree program at College Park in no way guarantees admission to the University of Maryland School of Medicine. Three-year students compete with four-year students for admission. It is therefore desirable to ensure that the work of the first three years be selected in such a way that the requirements of one of the normal College Park majors can be completed during a fourth year at College Park.