MEMORANDUM

TO: John Townshend  
Dean, College of Behavioral and Social Sciences

FROM: Elizabeth Beise  
Interim Associate Provost for Academic Planning and Programs

SUBJECT: Proposal to modify the Ph.D. in Geography (PCC log no. 09006)

At its meeting on October 16, 2009, the Senate Committee on Programs, Curricula and Courses approved your proposal to modify the curriculum of the Ph.D. in Geography. A copy of the approved proposal is attached.

The changes are effective Spring 2010. The College should ensure that the changes are fully described in the Graduate Catalog and in all relevant descriptive materials, and that all advisors are informed.

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Enclosure

cc: Alex Chen, Chair, Senate PCC Committee  
Sarah Bauder, Office of Student Financial Aid  
Reka Montfort, University Senate  
Erin Howard, Data Administration  
Donna Williams, Institutional Research & Planning  
Anne Turkos, Archives  
Linda Yokoi, Office of the Registrar  
Thomas Castonguay, Graduate School  
Katherine Pedro Beardsley, College of Behavioral and Social Sciences
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.
• Early consultation with the Office of the Associate Provost for Academic Planning & Programs is strongly recommended if there are questions or concerns, particularly with new programs.
• Please submit the signed form to Claudia Rector, Office of the Associate Provost for Academic Planning and Programs, 1119 Main Administration Building, Campus.
• Please email the rest of the proposal as an MSWord attachment to pcc-submissions@umd.edu.

DATE SUBMITTED __ 4/24/09 __

PCC LOG NO. 09006

COLLEGE/SCHOOL BSOS

DEPARTMENT/PROGRAM Geography

PROPOSED ACTION (A separate form for each) ADD____ DELETE____ CHANGE___X___

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

Add GEOG606 Quantitative Spatial Analysis (3 credits) OR GEOG 636 Qualitative Methods in Geography (3 credits) as a requirement in the geography doctoral program.

JUSTIFICATION/REASONS/RESOURCES (Briefly explain the reason for the proposed action. Identify the source of new resources that may be required. Details should be provided in an attachment.)

A methods course is necessary for the preparation of the dissertation research proposal. No additional resources are required, as both courses are regularly taught as part of our current curriculum.

APPROVAL SIGNATURES - Please print name, sign, and date

1. Department Committee Chair S. D. Prince 22 April 2009
2. Department Chair John Townsend 4/24/09
3. College/School PCC Chair Martha E. Geores 6/22/09
4. Dean Katherine Pedro Beardsley 6/23/09
5. Dean of the Graduate School (if required) __________ 9/15/09
6. Chair, Senate PCC __________ 10/16/2005
7. Chair of Senate ____________________________ 10/24/09
8. Vice President for Academic Affairs & Provost ____________ 10/24/09

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