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Dear Colleagues:

The attached proposal for an Area of Emphasis in Public Policy under the major in Economics (B.B.A.)
will be an agenda item for the April 2, 2010, Full University Curriculum Committee meeting.

Sincerely,

David E. Shipley, Chair
University Curriculum Committee

cc: Professor Jere W. Morehead
    Dr. Laura D. Jolly
Department of Economics
Area of Emphasis Proposal

School/College: Terry College of Business
Department: Economics
Major: Economics BBA

Current Economics Major Requirements:

Economics Major Required Courses (19 hours)
Courses must be taken in residence and must have a grade of "C" (2.0) or better
ECON 4010
ECON 4020
ECON 5900 (1 hour)
Choose four 3-hour courses selected from ECON courses numbered above 4000 (ECON 4000, ECON 4030, ECON 4040, and ECON 4800 may not be used in the Major Required area).

Major Electives (3 hours)
Economics Major Related Courses (3 hours)
Course must have grade of "C" (2.0) or better
Choose one course from the following:
* Any ECON course 4000 or above (ECON 4010, ECON 4020, ECON 4800, and ECON 5900 may not be used in Major Related area)
Any 4000 or 5000-level course (excluding internships) in ACCT, ECON, FINA, LEGL, MARK, MGMT, MSIT, REAL, or RMIN
MATH 3000
MATH 3500
MATH 3510
MATH 4100/6100
MATH 4700/6700
MATH 4710/6710
STAT 4520/6520

* ECON Major Required courses may not be used towards the Major Related area.

Area of Emphasis Title: Public Policy

Proposed Starting Date: Fall 2010 (201008)

Area of Emphasis Description:

This Area of Emphasis (AE) will recognize the completion of 12 credit hours in core and elective public policy courses with a minimum grade of B- in each course.

Required Courses (3):
ECON 4300 – Public Sector Economics
ECON 4450 – Economic Analysis of Law
ECON 4750 – Introduction to Econometrics
Elective Courses (1): Choose one course from the following:
ECON 4100/6100 – Monetary Economics
ECON 4150/6150 – Environmental Economics
ECON 4250 – Economics of Education
ECON 4250H – Economics of Education (Honors)
ECON 4310 – Health Economics
ECON 4550/6550 – International Trade
ECON 4600/6600 – Labor Economics

The purpose of this AE is twofold: (1) to guide students interested in a public-policy concentration and (2) provide evidence to employers and graduate admissions officers who would value the skills developed in such a concentration.

Terry College Approvals:

[Signatures and dates]
Economics Department Head

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Terry College Undergraduate Program Committee Chair

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Terry College Associate Dean

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