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Oregon State University Extended Campus

Master of

Project Title: Public Policy Graduate Major (MPP)

Sponsoring School and College: School of Public Policy, College of Liberal Arts

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Effective Term: Fall, 2016

Reference: tbd

Ecampus submits this memorandum to the Curriculum Council, according to the <u>Curriculum Council Review Process for Ecampus Proposals</u>, as an information item, to indicate that the proposed program includes the same curricular requirements as the already-approved, already-offered major on campus. The description below summarizes the program requirements that are currently in place for the Corvallis campus program, and will be the same for the Ecampus program offering.

Summary

Currently the OSU School of Public Policy offers full-time resident Master of Public Policy and PhD in Public Policy degrees to students interested in energy policy; environmental policy; international policy; law, crime, and policy; rural policy; science and technology policy; and/or social policy. The degrees are granted by the College of Liberal Arts and provide graduate education for students wishing to develop their interests and careers in the public and nonprofit sectors. The Master of Public Policy (MPP) specifically prepares students for careers in domestic and international organizations or preparation for PhD studies.

The PhD in Public Policy prepares students for academic or non-academic research careers in the public, private, and nongovernmental sectors. The Public Policy Graduate Program accepts students with backgrounds in related academic disciplines. The degrees are designed to provide individuals with analytic skills, an understanding of public policy processes, and substantive knowledge in a specific policy area.

Now proposed is the development of an online offering of the MPP that follows the principles of the Network of Schools of Public Policy, Affairs, and Administration (NASPAA) designed for mid-career professionals in the nonprofit and public sectors. The on-campus MPP is a 62-credit (quarter) program with interdisciplinary core coursework, seven policy concentrations, and a final Applied Policy Capstone Project. The proposed Ecampus offering of the MPP would have the same core coursework requirements, mission, learning outcomes, and four possible concentrations: Energy Policy, Environmental Policy, and Social Policy. The on-campus MPP is professionally accredited by NASPAA, and accreditation would apply to the Ecampus version of the MPP with the same required coursework, mission statement, and learning outcomes.

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Link to Ecampus Policy and Procedures

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