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To: Dr. France Córdoba, President
From: Dr. Tim Sands, Executive Vice President and Provost
Date: January 10, 2012
Re: Proposal for a new degree program: B. S. in Psychology to be offered by Purdue University North Central, Westville, Indiana

Objectives: The purpose of this proposal is to establish a Bachelor of Science in Psychology degree at the campus of Purdue University North Central (PNC), Westville, Indiana. Students will complete a course of study in liberal arts and social and behavioral sciences to create a foundation for future employment in the many fields related to psychology.

Clientele to be Served: PNC serves the citizens of Northwest Indiana focusing on LaPorte, Porter and Stark counties. PNC enrolls more than 5000 students with a majority residing in Economic Growth Region 1. PNC serves both traditional and non-traditional students.

Curriculum: The curriculum requires the completion of 120 credit hours of which 39 credits hours will be in psychology courses. Students will take 33 hours in psychology in common; in addition, they will take 6 hours in one of four tracks to allow them to concentrate their degree in a particular area including developmental, forensic, experimental or general psychology. Courses will include traditional, hybrid and online classes.

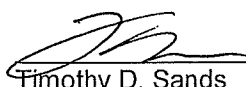
Employment Possibilities: The American Psychological Society lists more than 50 jobs in social and human services for which a degree in psychology is appropriate. Many of these jobs are found in Northwest Indiana and are experiencing an increase in demand. PNC graduates will also be well prepared for acceptance into graduate programs in Psychology.

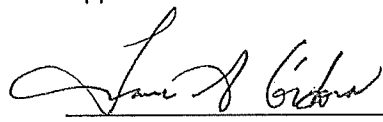
Resources and Enrollment: No new state funding is requested as program implementation and associated costs will be covered by internal reallocation.

Approvals: The proposal has the full endorsement of the Purdue North Central campus and the consent of the Department of Psychology in the College of Health and Human Sciences.

Recommended Approval:

Approved:


Timothy D. Sands
Executive Vice President for
Academic Affairs and Provost
Date Jan 24 2012


France A. Córdoba
President
Date 1-24-12