

June 7, 2019

Provost Boehm Office of the Provost University of Louisville

Dear Provost Boehm,

This letter is in support of the new proposed degree, a Masters in Couples and Family Therapy (CFT). The degree has been developed over the past several years and is designed to meet current student interest and market demand in this area. I support the proposal and note that it meets strategic goals of both the University and the Kent School. The proposal has undergone careful review by the CFT faculty, the Kent School Curriculum committee, and the entire Kent School faculty, and the Kent Budget Office, where it has passed unanimously at each stage of review.

The MS proposal has been developed by Dr. Emma Sterrett-Hong, Program Director of CFT, and the CFT faculty in the Kent School. The degree is a natural extension of our previous specialization in CFT in the Kent School and was strongly requested from the students in the program. The CFT faculty and their students and alumni are a cohesive and productive group that have worked hard to make this new degree a reality. Because of the existing accreditation requirements for the CFT Program, the faculty have already thought through and tested much of their curriculum and outcomes measures. The new program also has the strong support of their highly engaged alumni base.

The degree proposal will use existing resources in the Kent School and is not requesting additional resources from central administration. I plan to continue to properly support the CFT Program as it grows and changes over the years. I highly endorse the proposal and look forward to the addition of the degree and the ability to offer it to students of the Kent School.

Sincerely,

David Jenkins, Dean