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soci grad program revisions

Attachments:

Comp Revision Table 3-2014.pdf; GRADUATE POLICY HANDBOOK - proposed revisions

2-26-2014.pdf; Program Policy Statement - final 3-14.pdf

Mary,

I have made the edits and clarifications you requested in our program revision documents. I'm attaching the documents that changed: the handbook, a side-by-side comparison of our comprehensive exams, and the program planning document. For the handbook and side-by-side comparison of the exam, the new revisions are made using track changes. The other documents I submitted in the fall are not affected by the edits you requested.

Specifically, we addressed the following:

- 1. That we stipulate a target for GRE scores
- *I wrote that competitive scores are at least 310, combined, with language that states that this doesn't guarantee admission, etc
- 2. That we differentiate the two areas for comprehensive examinations with one as a primary area
- *I stated that it is up to students which they take an exam in, and which a paper, but they are strongly encouraged to seek advice on this
- 3. That we more clearly list the areas
- *I clarified our areas of expertise
- 4. That we at times use "comprehensive" and "area" interchangeably
- *This took a lot of editing to ensure that our language is clear. I changed "area" to "area of expertise", "area committee" to "exam committee" and distinguished consistently between an exam one takes and topical area of expertise
- 5. That we specify that the new policies will go into effect in Fall 2014
- * I specified this at the top of the document
- 6. That we more clearly state when exams are scheduled
- *I added a statement about when they are "typically" offered, along with the description of how they are scheduled

Please let me know if I can provide anything else. Thanks! Aaron

Aaron Kupchik