

Appendix F

Letters of Concurrence

College of Food, Agricultural and Environmental Sciences
Department of Agricultural, Environmental and Developmental Economics

College of Engineering
Department of Mechanical Engineering

College of Human Ecology
Department of Consumer Sciences

College of Social and Behavioral Sciences
Department of Sociology
Department of Geography
Department of Psychology
School of Communication

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From: Alan Randall [randall.3@osu.edu]
Sent: Friday, November 18, 2005 12:16 PM
To: Camp, S. Michael
Cc: 'Lynn Forster'
Subject: Minor in Entrepreneurship -- Letter of Support

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Dear Michael,
The Department of Agricultural, Environmental, and Development Economics is pleased to support the proposed Undergraduate Interdisciplinary Minor in Entrepreneurship. We believe this minor is academically sound, fills a real need among Ohio State's undergraduates, and will help position Ohio State as a leader in entrepreneurship education. We are pleased to contribute our courses, AED Econ 402: Principles of Agribusiness Marketing, and 460: Human Resource Management in Small Business, as Advanced Electives.

Sincerely,
Alan

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Dear Michael

I am writing in strong support of the proposal for an undergraduate interdisciplinary minor in entrepreneurship, a draft of which was forwarded to me by Professor Blaine Lilly. I feel an interdisciplinary minor of the type proposed would significantly strengthen the infrastructure for undergraduate education in entrepreneurship at OSU.

The curricular structure proposed for the minor, namely, two required core courses and three advanced electives in three areas (Creativity, Innovation, and Idea Generation; Opportunity Evaluation and New Venture Planning; and Leading and Managing High Performance Ventures), is appropriate, and provides a broad-based introduction to entrepreneurship.

I do have two specific comments, both of which are motivated by strong interest in our college in supporting student interest in technology-based entrepreneurship. First, the proposed curricular structure would be of particularly great value if it were flexible enough to accommodate engineering students interested in technology-based entrepreneurship by allowing for the development and introduction of advanced elective courses with such an emphasis, for example, courses on Design of Software-Embedded and Software Systems, Product Liability, and Principles of Technology-Based Ventures. Second, since many of our engineering students currently have significant cross-disciplinary capstone design experiences in their senior year, I favor a provision for inclusion of such design experiences in the curricular structure provided they have a significant entrepreneurship component.

I hope this letter satisfies the intent of your request for a letter of support for the proposed minor, made via Blaine Lilly. Please let me know if you need additional information.

Sincerely yours

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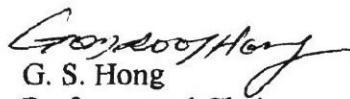
Dear Mike:

The Department of Consumer Sciences is pleased to support the Interdisciplinary Minor in Entrepreneurship. We are pleased to note the inclusion of Family Resource Management 567 as an advanced elective. However, the primary reason we are supportive of the minor is its appropriateness for our undergraduate students.

We have 1,545 undergraduate majors in our department and we expect a significant number of our graduates will eventually own and manage their own or their family's business. While the students have chosen a major that emphasizes product knowledge, they would benefit greatly from a minor that helps prepare them to start and run a business.

The interdisciplinary nature of the minor also helps prepare our students better than would a discipline-based program. After all, they will have to succeed in an interdisciplinary world.

Sincerely,


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cc: David Andrews, Dean
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November 22, 2005

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Dear Mike:

The Department of Consumer Sciences is very pleased to support the Interdisciplinary Minor in Entrepreneurship. We are pleased to note the inclusion of Family Resource management 567 as an advanced elective. However, the primary reason we are supportive of the minor is its appropriateness for our undergraduate students. We have 1,545 undergraduate majors in our department and we expect 25 – 40% will eventually own and manage their own or their family's business. While the students have chosen a major that emphasizes product knowledge, they would benefit greatly from a minor that helps prepare them to start and run a business.

Two features of this proposal are especially appealing. A minor helps our students more than a major would. The students do not expect to start the business right after graduation and they are currently more focused on preparation for their first job. We believe they would benefit greatly from the content of the proposed minor and we also believe a minor is more feasible to fit into their curriculum. The interdisciplinary nature of the minor also helps prepare our students better than would a discipline-based program. After all, they will have to succeed in an interdisciplinary world.

Sincerely,

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November 21, 2005

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Dear Michael,

Sociology has reviewed the proposal and we are pleased to offer our concurrence and support for the entrepreneurship minor. Congratulations on creating such an interesting new minor.

Sincerely,

Paul E. Bellair, Director of Undergraduate Studies

Robert L. Kaufman, Chair, Department of Sociology



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Dear Michael:

First let me thank you for your work on the Entrepreneurship Initiative, and for reaching out to the Department of Geography. As you will have seen from your interaction with Professor Malecki, Ed is a wonderful resource for this activity, and I am so pleased to hear that his involvement has been helpful to you. I see now that the next steps of approval in this minor are underway, and that the proposal includes an advanced elective from Geography (a purpose-built course for this initiative).

The Department of Geography supports the Interdisciplinary Minor in Entrepreneurship, and is pleased to be included in its formulation and curriculum.

I trust that this brief note of concurrence and support is sufficient to assist the next steps. I am delighted to support this initiative.

Sincerely

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November 14, 2005

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Dear Dr. Camp:

I am pleased to write to express my department's support of the proposed Undergraduate Interdisciplinary Minor in Entrepreneurship.

The proposal is carefully crafted and makes appropriate use of existing courses both within and without the Fisher College of Business. The balance of courses required of students also seems appropriate.

Thank you for the opportunity to participate in the development of this interdisciplinary minor program. I believe it will serve well the goals for which it is intended and will provide a valuable opportunity for students who elect to pursue this developing field.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Don Dell".

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December 9, 2005

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Dear Prof. Camp:

The School of Communication supports your proposal to include Comm 626 (Strategic Organizational Communication) in the proposed interdisciplinary minor for entrepreneurship. If you need any further information or have any questions, be sure to notify me at 292-0451 or at glynn.14@osu.edu, or Ed Palazzolo at 292-1909 or palazzolo.3@osu.edu.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Carroll J. Glynn".

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