

Memorandum

To: Faculty Senate
Seton Hall University

From: Karen E. Boroff, Ph.D.
Interim Provost and Executive Vice President

Re: Dual 4+2 Degree in Psychology and Speech Language Pathology
(2018-FS-16)

Date: July 9, 2018

The Office of the Provost is in receipt of the approval of the 4+2 dual degree program in Psychology and Speech Language Pathology. This approval was expedited and acted upon by the Executive Committee on July 2, 2018.

I have reviewed the description of the program and I find that there are explicit learning outcomes which must be met by the students. In addition, the program outlines a sequence of courses that students must complete at a prescribed grade point average to qualify for automatic admission to the program. There is ongoing assessment of the effectiveness of the program and plans to compare student performance across cohorts to identify areas for improvement. The dual degree program mirrors the existing dual degree program with the College of Education and Human Services.

The proposal indicates that psychology provides a natural foundation for the study of normal and disordered speech and language development. Students in this discipline tend to have strong backgrounds in research methods which is useful in the clinical service delivery portion of their training.

Considering the strong support by Deans Shoemaker and Shulman, and given that no additional resources are needed to provide for the instruction of students in this program, I approve the 4+2 dual degree program in Psychology and Speech Language Pathology.