

**Health Professions Council
Education & Training Panel – 1 February 2007**

MAJOR/MINOR CHANGES (3)

Executive Summary and Recommendations

Introduction

The University of Derby submitted a major/minor change submission regarding the relocation of its current site of delivery for the following HPC approved programmes;

BSc (Hons) Occupational Therapy
BSc (Hons) Diagnostic Radiography
MA Art Therapy
MA Dramatherapy
MA Music Therapy (HPC approval is pending for this programme)

The relocation is planned to take effective from September 2007.

A decision was taken by the executive to assess the new site as part of this pre-planned approvals visit to the MA Art Therapy and MA Dramatherapy programmes in February 2007. Consequently, the major/minor change submission was sent to four visitors from the Occupational Therapy and Diagnostic Radiography parts of the Register for their consideration by correspondence.

The Visitors assessing the BSc (Hons) Occupational Therapy programme have recommended that the programme has undergone a major change and that an approvals visit is required to consider SET 3. The Visitors assessing the BSc (Hons) Diagnostic Radiography programme have recommended that the programme has undergone a minor change and continues to meet the SETs.

Decision

The Panel is asked to consider all the visitors' recommendation and agree on one of the following options -

- i. Accept the differing recommendations and advise the executive on how to communicate this decision to the education provider
- ii. Agree that the complete minor/major change submission should be dealt as a minor change and confirm that all the programmes continue to meet the HPC's standards of education and training.
- iii. Agree that the complete minor/major change submission should be dealt as a major change and confirm that although the changes are major, the programmes continue to meet the standards of education & training, so there is no requirement for an approvals visit.

- iv. Agree that the complete minor/major change submission should be dealt as a major change and confirm that an approvals visit should arrange to reconfirm that all the programmes continue to meet the standards of education & training.
- v. Request more information from the visitors on their rationale for the recommendations to help determine whether an approvals visit is required or not.

Background information

None

Resource implications

None

Financial implications

None

Appendices

Visitors Reports (2)

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