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Dear Dr. Queener,

Thank you for the opportunity to review the proposal for the Master of Art in Art Therapy program at Herron School of Art and Indiana University-Purdue University, Indianapolis.

This document is a review of the written proposal sent to me on June 24, 2009. The proposal demonstrates that extensive research has taken place to develop the M.A. in Art Therapy program with the existing academic and medical institutions within the IUPUI consortium.

The option for a full-time residential medical/mental health, art therapy program, is a great educational opportunity for applicants in the Indianapolis area. The availability of on-site clinical experiences with the "art therapy initiative program" at Riley Hospital for Children will provide a collaborative and meaningful experience for the students and instructors.

The proposed curriculum consists of a rigorous two-year schedule of courses that prepares students as future art therapists based upon the guidelines and accreditation requirements of the National Association of Schools of Art and Design (NASAD; as well as the education standards of the American Art Therapy Association (AATA).

The two-year program also meets the national registration requirements of the Art Therapy Credentials Board (ATCB) for a registered art therapist (ATR), and the mental health counselor licensure (LMHC) in the state of Indiana.

I look forward to future collaborative opportunities between IUPUI/Herron and Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College.

Respectfully,  
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