

Item: Vd. AS: A-1

WEDNESDAY, MAY 26, 2010

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF ACADEMIC PROGRAM TERMINATIONS

PROPOSED BOARD ACTION

Request for Approval to terminate select academic degree programs:

- a) (13.1011) EdD of Specified Learning Disabilities
- b) (51.0000) Bachelors of Health Science
- c) (42.1601) BA Social Psychology
- d) (13.1302) MAT Visual Arts and Art History

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

As part of a comprehensive review of the efficiency and productivity of academic programs at Florida Atlantic University, the Office of the University Provost worked with each college to identify programs which no longer justify the cost of instruction on the basis of enrollment, demand, centrality to the mission of the university, or which no longer meet the needs of the citizens of Florida by providing a viable educational or occupational objective. The four programs listed above no longer satisfy these criteria and after careful review by all appropriate elements of the university administration and university faculty governance, they are hereby recommended for termination.

At the present time there are no students enrolled in two of these programs. One student is currently enrolled in the MAT in Visual Arts and Art History and she will be provided full opportunity to complete her program in a timely manner. One student enrolled in Social Psychology elected to change major to a B.A. in Psychology.

In each case the termination of these degree programs will have no adverse effect on associated faculty members.

IMPLEMENTATION PLAN/DATE

Upon approval by the Florida Atlantic University Board of Trustees.

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The recommended actions are part of an effort to remove inefficient or non-productive programs from the university degree inventory. Since these programs no longer meet student needs they essentially have no current enrollment and are not drawing faculty and other resources.

Supporting Documentation:

Executive Summaries

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