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Department of Visual Arts and Art History Master of Arts in Teaching (M.A.T.) (CIP 13.1302)

Plan to Terminate Program

The Department of Visual Arts and Art History in the Dorothy F. Schmidt College of Arts and Letters proposes the termination of the Master of Art in Teaching (M.A.T) graduate program. The program is not sustainable due to consistently low enrollment.

Accommodating current M.A.T students:

There is one student currently enrolled in the M.A.T program for the 2009/2010 academic year. This student will be able to complete her degree and will have full access to the 5000 and 6000 level courses offered through the Master of Fine Arts (M.F.A) in the Visual Arts graduate program. This program is also housed in the Department of Visual Arts and Art History. The M.A.T. and M.F.A programs have always shared course curriculum. Any additional course work can be completed as Directed Independent Study projects in consult with specific faculty members.

Accommodating M.A.T. faculty members:

The termination of the M.A.T program will not affect any faculty members. The M.A.T program has never employed a faculty line.

Impact statement:

The termination of the M.A.T program will not have a negative impact on the female to male ratio of students in the Department, College and/or University. Nor will the termination of the M.A.T program negatively impact ethnic diversity within the faculty or student body. This statement is qualified by the historically low enrollment in this program.

Masters in Art, Teaching (M.A.T) enrollment statistics:

Fall 2006: 1 Spring 2007: 1

Fall 2007: 2 Spring 2008: 1

Fall 2008: 1 Spring 2009: 1