

**PROGRAM TERMINATION FORM**  
Board of Governors, State University System of Florida

**UNIVERSITY:** Florida Atlantic University  
**PROGRAM NAME:** Information Engineering Technology

**DEGREE LEVEL(S):** BIET  
(Ph.D., Ed.D., etc)

**CIP CODE:** 15.1204  
(Classification of Instructional Programs)

**ANTICIPATED TERMINATION DATE:** December 10, 2012  
(Last date that students will be accepted into program)

**ANTICIPATED PHASE-OUT DATE:** December 10, 2014  
(Last date that data will be submitted for this program)

*This is the form to be used for university requests to terminate doctoral degree programs and is recommended for use when terminating other programs. The request should be approved by the University Board of Trustees (UBOT) prior to submission to the Board of Governors, State University System of Florida for approval. Please fill out this form completely for each program to be terminated in order for your request to be processed as quickly as possible. Attach additional pages as necessary to provide a complete response. In the case of baccalaureate or master's degree programs, the UBOT may approve termination in accordance with BOG Regulation 8.012 (3), with notification sent to the Board of Governors, Office of Academic and Student Affairs. The issues outlined below should be examined by the UBOT in approving termination.*

**1. Provide a narrative rationale for the request to terminate the program.**

At the CEECS Department's meeting, which took part on Friday, November 16, the faculty had voted about the BIET (Bachelor in Information Engineering Technology) program and unanimously decided to close the program starting Spring 2013. There were 26 faculty members present at the meeting, who all voted for the program termination. The main reason for this decision:

- In the last several years the number of students enrolled in the program is constantly decreasing. The program was originally offered on Davie and Port St. Lucie campuses, but it was closed on Davie campus in 2008 and on PSL campus in 2012, so all students are now on Boca campus. Closing of the Davie and PSL campuses affected the majority of students in the program.
- State colleges including Palm Beach State College and Broward State College are now offering four-year information technology programs, so the demand for the BIET program at FAU is drastically reduced.

- Several CEECS instructors, who were involved in teaching BIET courses, left FAU or will be leaving FAU soon, so there will be not available instructor resources for the BIET courses. Dr. Roy Levow is already on the phased retirement, and his last semester will be in Fall 2013. Dr. Georgiana Carvalho left FAU after Fall 2012 semester. Dr. Marty Solomon retired at the end of Fall 2012 semester; he taught database courses for the BIET students.

**3. Indicate on which campus(es) the program is being offered and the extent to which the proposed termination has had or will have an impact on enrollment, enrollment planning, and/or the reallocation of resources.**

The program is being offered at Boca and Port St. Lucie campuses. Port St. Lucie campus has been closed since June 30, 2012, so all PSL students were transferred to Boca campus. The impact on enrollment is minimal. The CEECS Department has total of about 1,300 students. Also, the reallocation of resources is not an issue.

**4. Provide an explanation of the manner in which the University intends to accommodate any students or faculty who are currently active in the program scheduled to be terminated. State what steps have been taken to inform students and faculty of the intent to terminate the program?**

We identified 38 students who are presently enrolled in the BIET program. We informed all students that the BIET program will be closed; however we will still be offering adequate courses, so these 38 students can complete the program within maximum two years. We have developed a detailed schedule for each student how to complete the program. Several new students, who were admitted to the program in Fall 2012, are advised to either switch to Computer Science program at FAU, or to transfer to one of the state colleges offering similar programs.

Regarding to faculty, Dr. Roy Levow, who was involved in teaching BIET courses is on the phase retirement, and he will retire in Fall 2013. Dr. Georgiana Carvalho left FAU after Fall 2012 semester. Dr. Marty Solomon retired at the end of Fall 2012 semester; he taught database courses for both the BIET and CSE programs. There is no other impact on faculty.

**5. Provide data (and cite source) on the gender and racial distribution of students and faculty. For faculty also list the rank and tenure status of all affected individuals.**

No faculty involved.

Students (Source: FAU Institutional Effectiveness & Analysis, Spring 2012)

Gender: Female 5, Male 33

Racial distribution: Asian 4, Black or African American 6, Hispanic or Latino 11,  
American Indian 1, Two or more races 2, White 13, Race unknown 1

**6. Identify any potential negative impact of the proposed action on the current representation of females, minorities, faculty, and students.**

We do not foresee any potential negative impact of the proposed action on the current representation of females, minorities, faculty, and students.

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February 28, 2013

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Signature of Requestor/Initiator

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Date

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Signature of Campus EO Officer

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Date

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Signature of College Dean

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Date

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Signature of Vice President for  
Academic Affairs

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Date

Approved by:

Department Chair: [Signature]

College Curriculum Chair: [Signature]

College Dean: [Signature]

UUPC Chair: [Signature]

Undergraduate Studies Dean: [Signature]

UFS President: \_\_\_\_\_

Provost: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: 3/22/13

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1. Syllabus must be attached; syllabus checklist recommended; see guidelines and checklist: [www.fau.edu/academic/registrar/UUPCinfo](http://www.fau.edu/academic/registrar/UUPCinfo)

2. Review Provost Memorandum: Definition of a Credit Hour [www.fau.edu/provost/files/Definition\\_Credit\\_Hour\\_Memo\\_2012.pdf](http://www.fau.edu/provost/files/Definition_Credit_Hour_Memo_2012.pdf)

3. WAC approval (attach if necessary)

4. Gen. Ed. approval (attach if necessary)

5. Consent of affected departments (attach if necessary)