

ADDITION, DELETION, SUSPENSION, REVIEW AND MODIFICATION OF ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

I. Purpose

The approval of the Board of Trustees is required for the addition, deletion, suspension, or significant modification<sup>1</sup> of academic programs.<sup>2</sup> The purpose of this policy is to provide guidelines for any such changes and for the ongoing review of existing academic programs.

II. Academic Program Reviews

Each campus<sup>3</sup> shall be responsible for reviewing all established academic programs to evaluate whether any changes in the program are warranted. Two types of review shall be required for all established academic programs:

- (1) a review of the annual report of low productivity programs originating in the office of the chief academic officer of the campus, and
- (2) a periodic substantive evaluation of each academic program on a rotating schedule not to exceed 10 years.

Each campus shall establish guidelines and criteria to implement the substantive evaluation. Such guidelines and criteria shall be consistent with any applicable accreditation requirements, reviewed by the campus governance body<sup>4</sup> and the chief academic officer, approved by the Chancellor, and furnished to the President. A recommendation for deletion, suspension, or significant expansion or modification of any program made as a result of either type of review shall be reviewed by the faculty of the program involved, the administrative head of the college, school, or other unit in which the program is located, the campus governance body, the chief academic officer, and the Chancellor. The Chancellor will forward his/her recommendations to the President who will report the results of the campus deliberation and make a recommendation to the Board for action.

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### III. Addition of Programs

Guidelines for proposing new academic programs shall be developed by each campus and approved by the campus governance body, chief academic officer, and Chancellor and submitted to the President. Such guidelines must provide for review of proposed programs by the program or departmental faculty, college, school, or other sub-unit in which the program will be given, the campus governance body, the chief academic officer, and the Chancellor. If85398c9by (6.987(c)6.98853(e)6.98853(dg8856.98853(r6(a)6l)0027(i)0038 (c)6.98649(c)6.9885, wmpusby