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April 15, 2022

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Dear Colleagues:

The attached proposal from the Mary Frances Early College of Education to terminate the major in Science Education (M.A.T.) on the Gwinnett campus only will be an agenda item for the April 22, 2022, Full University Curriculum Committee meeting.

Sincerely,

Susan Sanchez, Chair

University Curriculum Committee

cc: Provost S. Jack Hu
Dr. Marisa Pagnattaro

PROPOSAL FOR DEACTIVATION OR TERMINATION OF AN ACADEMIC PROGRAM

Date: December 6, 2021

School/College: Mary Frances Early College of Education

Department/Division: Mathematics, Science, and Social Studies Education

Program (Major and Degree): Science Education (M.A.T.) – Gwinnett campus only

Which campus(es) offer this program? Athens and Gwinnett

Deactivation or Termination? Termination of the Gwinnett campus only

Proposed Effective Date: Summer 2022

Last date students will be admitted to this program: No students are enrolled at the Gwinnett campus

Last date students will graduate from this program: No students are enrolled at the Gwinnett campus

Program Abstract:

The M.A.T. in Science Education is designed for students who have a bachelor's degree in science and wish to earn initial teaching certification in a secondary science field at the T-5 level. Science education at UGA emphasizes curriculum and teaching practices informed by the most current research and closely aligned with national standards established by the National Science Teachers Association and the Next Generation Science Standards.

1. State the reasons for terminating the program, and provide copies of any relevant documents.

This proposal is to terminate Science Education (M.A.T.) at the Gwinnett campus only. The Mary Frances Early College of Education was contacted by the Office of Accreditation and Institutional Effectiveness to validate programs offered across University of Georgia campuses for the SACSCOC accreditation process. Science Education (M.A.T.) is approved for the Gwinnett campus, but there are no faculty assigned to, nor are there any students on, that campus.

2. What will be done to minimize the impact of the termination of the program upon the personal and professional lives of the faculty and staff involved? Include specific information on: a) how faculty and staff will be notified of the termination, and b) how faculty and staff will be reallocated.

Not applicable, as the program is not offered at the Gwinnett campus. No changes are proposed for the Athens-based program.

3. What will be done to insure that termination of the program does not weaken other programs (graduate, undergraduate, or professional) for which the department may be responsible?

Not applicable, as the program is not offered at the Gwinnett campus. No changes are proposed for the Athens-based program.

Documentation of Approval and Notification

Proposal: Termination of Science Education (M.A.T.) at the Gwinnett Campus

College: Mary Frances Early College of Education

Department: Mathematics, Science, and Social Studies Education

Proposed Effective Term: Summer 2022

Department:

- Mathematics, Science, and Social Studies Education Department Head, Dr. Roger Hill, 12/6/2021

School/College:

- Mary Frances Early College of Education Dean, Dr. Denise Spangler, 12/6/2021
- Mary Frances Early College of Education Associate Dean, Dr. Stacey Neuharth-Pritchett, 2/22/22

Graduate School:

- Graduate School Associate Dean, Dr. Anne Shaffer, 3/17/22