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Dear Colleagues:

The attached proposal from the Mary Frances Early College of Education to terminate the major in Learning, Design, and Technology (Ph.D.) on the Gwinnett campus only will be an agenda item for the April 21, 2023, Full University Curriculum Committee meeting.

Sincerely,

Susan Sanchez, Chair

cc: Provost S. Jack Hu

Dr. Marisa Pagnattaro

PROPOSAL FOR DEACTIVATION OR TERMINATION OF AN ACADEMIC PROGRAM

Date: January 21, 2023

School/College: Mary Frances Early College of Education

Department/Division: Workforce Education and Instructional Technology

Program (Major and Degree): Learning, Design, and Technology (Ph.D.)

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

Deactivation or Termination? Termination of the Gwinnett campus only

Proposed Effective Date: Fall 2023

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:

Learning, Design, and Technology (Ph.D.) prepares students to become scholars and reflective practitioners who can advance learning theory and practice through research, design, and technology. This research-focused doctoral program will prepare students for advanced scholarly inquiry related to the design, development, and evaluation of effective interactive learning environments in various contexts such as P-12, higher education, healthcare, and business.

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

This proposal is to terminate the Ph.D. in Learning, Design, and Technology at the Gwinnett campus. Learning, Design, and Technology (Ph.D.) is offered only at the Athens campus. There are no faculty assigned to the Gwinnett campus to support this program, nor are there any students in the program at 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.

The program is not offered at the Gwinnett campus. No changes are proposed for the Athens-based program.

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

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Documentation of Approval and Notification

Proposal: Terminate Learning, Design, and Technology (Ph.D.) on the Gwinnett campus only

College: Mary Frances Early College of Education

Department: Workforce Education and Instructional Technology

Proposed Effective Term: Fall 2023

Approvals:

- Workforce Education and Instructional Technology department head, Dr. Lloyd Reiber, 1/21/23
- Mary Frances Early College of Education Associate Dean, Dr. Stacey Neuharth-Pritchett, 2/16/23
- Mary Frances Early College of Education Dean, Dr. Denise Spangler, 1/21/23
- Graduate School Associate Dean, Dr. Anne Shaffer, 4/6/23