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Dear Colleagues:

The attached proposal from the Mary Frances Early College of Education to terminate the Minor in Leadership in Student Affairs will be an agenda item for the January 17, 2025, 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:** September 9, 2024

**School/College:** Mary Frances Early College of Education

**Department/Division:** Counseling and Human Development Services

**Program (Major and Degree):** Minor in Leadership in Student Affairs

**Which campus(es) offer this program?** Athens

**Deactivation or Termination?** Termination

**Proposed Effective Date:** Summer 2025

**Last date students will be admitted to this program:** No students are enrolled

**Last date students will graduate from this program:** Not applicable, no students are enrolled

## **Program Abstract:**

The Minor in Leadership in Student Affairs at the University of Georgia was one of the few programs nationally that provided undergraduate students the opportunity to learn and experience the student affairs profession firsthand. Through a partnership between the College Student Affairs Administration program in the Department of Counseling and Human Development Services and the University's Division of Student Affairs, the program was designed to provide students with knowledge and skills related to working in higher education in areas related to student affairs programs and services.

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

This proposal is to terminate the Minor in Leadership in Student Affairs. This program was deactivated in Fall 2022. Although program coordinators worked diligently to address low enrollments and logistical challenges by providing options to increase enrollment, such as ensuring regularity of course offerings and conducting specific marketing campaigns for the minor, interest has not increased. Therefore, the faculty would like to terminate the minor.

## **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; there are no students enrolled in the minor. Faculty involved in the minor also administer a master's program and two doctoral programs; closure of this minor will allow the faculty to have additional time to staff their graduate programs. The faculty met in late August and made this decision collectively.

## **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?**

Faculty administer a master's program and two doctoral programs. The closure of this minor will allow them additional time to staff their graduate programs.

## Documentation of Approval and Notification

**Proposal:** Terminate the Minor in Leadership in Student Affairs

**College:** Mary Frances Early College of Education

**Departments:** Counseling and Human Development Services

**Proposed Effective Term:** Summer 2025

School/College:

- Mary Frances Early College of Education Dean, Dr. Denise Spangler, 9/9/2024
- Mary Frances Early College of Education Associate Dean, Dr. Stacey Neuharth-Pritchett, 10/18/2024
- Department of Counseling and Human Development Services Department Head, Dr. George McMahon, 9/9/2024