SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF REGENTS

Academic and Student Affairs
Consent

AGENDA ITEM: 5 – J
DATE: December 9-10, 2020

SUBJECT
Inactive Status and Program Termination Requests – NSU & USD

CONTROLLING STATUTE, RULE, OR POLICY
AAC Guideline 2.12 – Programs on Inactive Status
AAC Guideline 2.13 – Program Termination

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION
Northern State University has submitted a request asking that the following program be terminated (see Attachment I).

- Degree Program: BA in German (Terminate)
  Justification: NSU is terminating the German major and students will be enrolled in the Global Language and Culture major program and the German minor.

The University of South Dakota has submitted a request asking that the following programs be inactivated (see Attachment I).

- Degree Program: BFA in Art Education (plus 6 specializations) (Inactivate)
  Justification: Students with diverse artistic backgrounds and educational experiences enter this program. Consolidating the BFA in Art Education within the BFA in Art degree creates a common core of courses for all art majors from which students then have flexibility to choose to focus in studio art or art education, or both. We want to put the program on inactive status to have the opportunity to continue to assess the impact of this decision.

- Degree Program: Bachelor of Music in Music Performance, Bachelor of Music in Music Education, and Bachelor of Musical Arts in Musical Arts (Inactivate)
  Justification: Consolidating the Bachelor of Music in Music Performance, Bachelor Music in Music Education, and Bachelor of Musical Arts in Musical Arts into a single

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DRAFT MOTION 20201209_5-J:
I move to approve NSU’s request to terminate the BA in German program; and USD’s requests to inactivate the BFA in Art Education (plus 6 specializations), Bachelor of Music in Music Performance, Bachelor of Music in Music Education, Bachelor of Musical Arts in Musical Arts, and the Lakota Teaching Minor as presented in Attachments I and II.
major with 3 specializations creates a common core of courses for all music majors from which students then have flexibility to choose to focus on performance, education, or musical arts. As a result, we are inactivating these three programs to create a single program within the overarching BM program. We want to put the program on inactive status to have the opportunity to continue to assess the impact of this decision.

- Degree Program: Lakota Teaching Minor (Inactivate)
  Justification: The College of Arts and Sciences no longer has a Lakota instructor, which directly affects three of the required courses in this minor. Further, there has been low enrollment in the minor, with only 1 current student. USD will work on collaborations or partnerships during the hiatus. Students who seek the Native American Language and Culture permit from the South Dakota Department of Education, may continue to do so through an evaluation by a tribal committee of experts. This permit does not require the completion of a minor and is not associated with certification.

IMPACT AND RECOMMENDATION
Board staff recommends approval.

ATTACHMENTS
Attachment I – NSU Program Termination Request
Attachment II – USD Program Inactivation Requests
Program Termination or Placement on Inactive Status

Use this form to request termination or inactive status for an existing program (graduate program, undergraduate major or minor, certificate, or specialization). The Board of Regents, Executive Director, and/or their designees may request additional information about the proposal. After the university President approves the proposal, submit a signed copy to the Executive Director through the system Chief Academic Officer. Only post the form to the university website for review by other universities after approval by the Executive Director and Chief Academic Officer.

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University Approval

To the Board of Regents and the Executive Director: I certify that I have read this proposal, that I believe it to be accurate, and that it has been evaluated and approved as provided by university policy.

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President (or Designee) of the University  Date

1. Program Degree Level (place an “X” in the appropriate box):

   Associate ☐  Bachelor’s ☒  Master’s ☐  Doctoral ☐

2. Category (place an “X” in the appropriate box):

   Certificate ☐  Specialization ☐  Minor ☐  Major ☒

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1 Note: Certificates, specializations, and minors may only be terminated and not placed on inactive status due to limitations in the student information system.
3. The program action proposed is (place an “X” in the appropriate box):\(^2\)

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See question 4

See questions 5 and 6

4. **INACTIVE STATUS**

A. Provide a justification for inactivating the program:

B. If there are current students in the program, what are the implications of placing the program on inactive status?

C. What is the last date (day/month/year) by which a student can graduate in the program?

D. What is the proposed date (day/month/year) inactive status takes effect (the proposed date for inactive status is also the last date a student may enroll in or declare the program)?

5. **TERMINATION WITH ENROLLED STUDENTS**

A. Provide a justification for terminating the program:

Northern State University is terminating the German major and students will be enrolled in the Global Language and Culture major program and the German minor.

B. What is the plan for completion of the program by current students?

Northern State University will help the one student who is currently enrolled in the NSU German program complete their German major by having the student take German courses from NSU or other SDBOR institutions.

C. What is the proposed date (day/month/year) program termination status begins (program status in the database changes to Phasing Out and last date a student may enroll in or declare the program)?

August 1, 2020

\(^2\) Note: An inactive program is a program a university has authority to offer, but the program is not admitting new students and has not formally terminated. A presumption exists that inactive status is a temporary status; universities review inactive programs periodically to determine the feasibility of reactivating or terminating the program. Programs can remain inactive for five (5) consecutive years at which time a university must terminate the program. A terminated program is a program for which a university ceases to have authority to offer. Reinstatement of a terminated program requires university and BOR approval through the prescribed new program approval processes.
D. What is the last date (day/month/year) in which a student may enroll in the program (program status in the database changes to Phase Out)?

August 1, 2020

E. What is the last term or date (day/month/year) by which a student can graduate from the program?

May 31, 2026

F. What are the potential cost savings of terminating the program and what are the planned uses of the savings?

The cost savings is to the state in the form of not duplicating low-enrolled language majors. The cost savings to NSU is that the faculty member dedicated to teaching in the low-enrolled German program can shift her energies to teaching new courses in the University’s new Global Language and Culture major, which will draw new enrollments to the University.

G. What are the resulting employee terminations and other possible implications including impact on other programs?

Northern State University is not terminating any employees in response to the termination of this program. The German faculty member will teach German courses in support of the German minor and the certificates in Germans from Russia Studies and courses in support of the Global Language and Culture major.

6. TERMINATION WITHOUT ENROLLED STUDENTS

A. Provide a justification for terminating the program:

B. What is the proposed date (day/month/year) for the program to terminate (program status in the database changes to Deleted)?

C. What are the potential cost savings of terminating the program and what are the planned uses of the savings?

D. What are the resulting employee terminations and other possible implications including impact on other programs?
SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF REGENTS
ACADEMIC AFFAIRS FORMS
Program Termination or Placement on Inactive Status

UNIVERSITY: USD

DEGREE(S) AND PROGRAM: BFA in Art Education (plus 6 specializations)
Art Education-UBFA.AED; Ceramics- UBFA.AED-CER;
Graphic Design- UBFA.AED-GDS; Painting- UBFA.AED-PAI;
Photography- UBFA.AED-PHO; Printmaking-
UBFA.ART-PRK; Sculpture- UBFA.AED-SCL

CIP CODE: 13.1302

UNIVERSITY DEPARTMENT: Art

BANNER DEPARTMENT CODE: UART

UNIVERSITY DIVISION: College of Fine Arts

BANNER DIVISION CODE: 2F

University Approval

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President of the University ___________________________ Date ________________

1. **Program Degree Level (place an “X” in the appropriate box):**
   - Associate ☐
   - Bachelor’s ☒
   - Master’s ☐
   - Doctoral ☐

2. **Category (place an “X” in the appropriate box):**
   - Certificate ☐
   - Specialization ☐
   - Minor ☐
   - Major ☒

3. **The program action proposed is (place an “X” in the appropriate box):**
   - Inactive Status ☒
   - Termination ☐

4. **INACTIVE STATUS**
   A. **Provide a justification for inactivating the program:**
      Students with diverse artistic backgrounds and educational experiences enter this program. Consolidating the BFA in Art Education within the BFA in Art degree creates a common core of courses for all art majors from which students then have flexibility to choose to focus in studio art or art education, or both. We want to put the program on inactive status to have the opportunity to continue to assess the impact of this decision.
   B. **If there are current students in the program, what are the implications of placing the program on inactive status?**
      Students will have two options: 1) complete the degree as is (students will have 6 years in which to do this); 2) Move into the version of this major as a specialization within the BFA in Art.
   C. **What is the last date (day/month/year) by which a student can graduate in the program:**
      May 16, 2026 (Six years after last enroll by date)
   D. **What is the proposed date (day/month/year) inactive status takes effect (the proposed date for inactive status is also the last date a student may enroll in or declare the program)?** May 7, 2021

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   - Inactive Status ☒
   - Termination ☐

   See question 4

   See questions 5 and 6

4. INACTIVE STATUS
   A. Provide a justification for inactivating the program:
      Students with diverse musical backgrounds and educational experiences enter these programs. Consolidating the Bachelor of Music in Music Performance, Bachelor Music in Music Education, and Bachelor of Musical Arts in Musical Arts into a single major with 3 specializations creates a common core of courses for all music majors from which students then have flexibility to choose to focus on performance, education, or musical arts. As a result, we are inactivating these three programs to create a single program within the overarching BM program. We want to put the program on inactive status to have the opportunity to continue to assess the impact of this decision.

   B. If there are current students in the program, what are the implications of placing the program on inactive status?
      Students will have two options: 1) complete the degree as is (students will have 6 years in which to do this); 2) Move into the combined major and choose a specialization within the Bachelor of Music degree.

   C. What is the last date (day/month/year) by which a student can graduate in the program:
      May 16, 2026 (Six years after last enroll by date)

   D. What is the proposed date (day/month/year) inactive status takes effect (the proposed date for inactive status is also the last date a student may enroll in or declare the program)? May 7, 2021

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President of the University

Date

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   - Termination ☐
   - See question 4
   - See questions 5 and 6

4. INACTIVE STATUS
   A. Provide a justification for inactivating the program: The College of Arts and Sciences no longer has a Lakota instructor, which directly affects three of the required courses in this minor. Further, there has been low enrollment in the minor, with only 1 current student. We will work on collaborations or partnerships during the hiatus. Students who seek the Native American Language and Culture permit from the South Dakota Department of Education, may continue to do so through an evaluation by a tribal committee of experts. This permit does not require the completion of a minor and is not associated with certification.

   B. If there are current students in the program, what are the implications of placing the program on inactive status? There is currently one student in the program. He has completed all of the courses in the minor and will graduate in December 2020, so there are no implications for him in placing the program on inactive status.

   C. What is the last date (day/month/year) by which a student can graduate in the program: December 2020.

   D. What is the proposed date (day/month/year) inactive status takes effect (the proposed date for inactive status is also the last date a student may enroll in or declare the program)? September 1, 2020

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