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UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA

REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION TO DISCONTINUE A DEGREE PROGRAM

Date: May 30, 2012

Constituent Institution: University of North Carolina at Charlotte

CIP Discipline Specialty Title: Psychology

CIP Discipline Specialty Number: 42.0101.018.000 **Level:** B X M _____ I _____ D _____

Title of Authorized Program: Psychology **Degree Abbreviation:** B.A.

Date of Proposed Discontinuation: month 08 year 2012

Does the discontinuation of the program involve the discontinuation of an off-site or online delivery of the program? Program _____ Site or Online _____ N/A

If the program to be discontinued is offered at off-campus sites, please list them. N/A

(1)	_____		
	(city)	(county)	(state)
(2)	_____		
	(city)	(county)	(state)
(3)	_____		
	(city)	(county)	(state)

Explain why the program is being discontinued. If the program addresses high priority needs, how will those needs be addressed by other programs? Describe steps to be taken to allow students enrolled in the program to complete their courses of study.

Rationale

The Department of Psychology at UNC Charlotte currently offers both a Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) and a Bachelor of Science (B.S.) in Psychology. The department has undergone a curricular restructuring that now more closely aligns with the American Psychological Association Learning Guidelines for Undergraduate Psychology Majors. As part of this restructuring, the department will eliminate the B.A. degree, and will only offer the B.S. degree in an attempt to emphasize the scientific nature of the discipline and better relate the undergraduate program to the graduate programs in Health Science and Organizational Science. The B.S. degree better reflects the current state of the discipline and allows the department to develop and focus resources on those educational experiences that will best prepare our undergraduate students for the graduate programs to which they aspire. In addition, the elimination of the degree provides an opportunity for streamlining resources in the department.

Plan for Enrolled Students

Currently declared Psychology majors in the B.A. or B.S. programs will complete their program of study following the guidelines in place when they entered the Psychology major. Students beginning the major through the 2nd Summer Session of 2012 will complete the current B.A. or B.S. degree. Sufficient courses will be offered for the next five years to allow all current students to complete the B.A or B.S. degree as they choose; the courses currently offered are being continued in the new B.S. curriculum. Students

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entering the program beginning with the Fall 2012 term will complete the new B.S. requirements. This is strictly a structural change and does not have any impact on the program, the department, the college, or the university. No changes in faculty members or staff will be made on the basis of this change in curriculum, and departmental funding will not be impacted as current student enrollment is expected to remain steady or increase.

The anticipated beginning date for the program discontinuation is August 2012, and contact information for the Department Chair is provided below:

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Consequences of Discontinuation

How many faculty members will be reassigned? None

How many staff will be reassigned? None

How many EPA non-faculty will be reassigned? None

How many faculty, staff, or EPA non-faculty will be discontinued? None

How much funding is to be reallocated based on this discontinuation? None

Name, title, telephone, and e-mail of contact person for this notification of discontinuation:

Dr. Fary Cachelin, Department Chair, 704-687-4775, fcacheli@uncc.edu

Signature of Chancellor (or designee): _____

Philip Auboin