

11. ECSU School Consolidations and Program EliminationsSuzanne Ortega

Situation: Elizabeth City State University is requesting authorization to discontinue four degree programs, to consolidate the School of Arts and Humanities with the School of Mathematics, Science and Technology into the School of Arts and Sciences, and to change the name of their School of Education to the School of Education and Psychology.

Background: Because of a continued decline in enrollment and the adverse impact on state appropriations and tuition revenue, ECSU has pursued changes to the structural organization within the Division of Academic Affairs.

Assessment: These actions are necessary academic components of their work to restore financial stability.

Action: This item is for a vote.

Request for authorization to consolidate the School of Arts and Humanities with the School of Mathematics, Science and Technology into the School of Arts and Sciences and to authorize a change in name of the School of Education to the School of Education and Psychology at Elizabeth City State University

Due to a sustained three-year decline in enrollment and the adverse impact on state appropriations and tuition revenue, Elizabeth City State University has pursued significant revisions to the organizational structure within the Division of Academic Affairs. Consequently, they are requesting authorization for two academic restructuring actions. First, the campus seeks authorization to consolidate the School of Arts and Humanities with the School of Mathematics, Science and Technology into the School of Arts and Sciences. Second, the campus requests authorization to change the name of the School of Education to the School of Education and Psychology. These actions are necessary academic components of their comprehensive work to restore financial stability.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board of Governors approve Elizabeth City State University's request to consolidate the School of Arts and Humanities with the School of Mathematics, Science and Technology into the School of Arts and Sciences and to approve a change in name of the School of Education to the School of Education and Psychology.

**Request for Authorization to Discontinue Four Degree Programs at
Elizabeth City State University**

Elizabeth City State University has requested the following four degree programs be discontinued:

- Bachelor of Arts in Studio Art (CIP Code #50.0702)
- Bachelor of Science in Marine Environmental Science (CIP Code #40.0607)
- Bachelor of Science in Physics (CIP Code #40.0801)
- Bachelor of Science in Geology (CIP Code #40.0601)

These four programs are requested to be discontinued because of sustained low enrollment. A Teach-Out Plan will be implemented for each program allowing currently enrolled students to complete the degree requirements.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board of Governors approve Elizabeth City State University's request to discontinue the Bachelor of Arts in Studio Art, Bachelor of Science in Marine Environmental Science, Bachelor of Science in Physics, and Bachelor of Science in Geology.