

## 7. Consolidation of Degree Programs ..... Courtney Thornton

**Situation:** Two campuses are requesting authorization to consolidate certain undergraduate degree programs into single “umbrella” degree programs.

**Background:** East Carolina University: As a result of the 2014 Low Productivity Report, East Carolina University decided to consolidate individual language programs, as well as teacher education programs in the languages, into a single degree program titled Foreign Languages and Literatures (16.0101). The program will house several concentrations (French, German, etc.).

- B.A. in French (16.0901)
- B.S. in French (13.1325, French Language Teacher Education)
- B.A. in German (16.0501)
- B.S. in German (13.1326, German Language Teacher Education)
- B.A. in Hispanic Studies (16.0905)
- B.S. in Hispanic Studies (13.1330, Spanish Language Teacher Education)

Appalachian State University: As a result of a comprehensive campus program review and the 2014 Low Productivity Report, Appalachian State University decided to consolidate three programs in career and technical education into a single B.S. in Career and Technical Education (13.1299) degree program. The consolidated program will house concentrations in the areas shown below.

- B.S. in Business Education (13.1303)
- B.S. in Family and Consumer Sciences, Secondary Education (13.1308)
- B.S. in Technology Education (13.1309)

In both cases, consolidation will allow students more curricular flexibility and reduce administrative requirements.

**Assessment:** It is recommended that the consolidated B.A. in Foreign Languages and Literatures (16.0101) degree program at East Carolina University and the consolidated B.S. in Career and Technical Education (13.1299) degree program at Appalachian State University be approved.

**Action:** This item requires a vote.

**Request for Authorization to Consolidate  
Bachelor's Degrees in Foreign Languages and Literatures  
at East Carolina University**

To improve efficiency and productivity, East Carolina University is requesting consolidation of six undergraduate degree programs in Foreign Languages and Literatures.

East Carolina University is requesting authorization to consolidate six of its bachelor's degree programs into one B.A. degree program; five of the six programs were identified as "low productivity" in the 2014 review. The following programs will be discontinued and become concentrations within the Bachelor of Arts in Foreign Languages and Literatures (16.0101).

- B.A. in French (16.0901)
- B.S. in French (13.1325, French Language Teacher Education)
- B.A. in German (16.0501)
- B.S. in German (13.1326, German Language Teacher Education)
- B.A. in Hispanic Studies (16.0905)
- B.S. in Hispanic Studies (13.1330, Spanish Language Teacher Education)

Students in the current programs will experience no disruption in their program of study during this transition to the merged degree program. Individuals currently in these degree programs will be allowed to complete their degrees under the current structure.

**Request for Authorization to Consolidate  
Bachelor's Degrees in Career and Technical Education  
at Appalachian State University**

To improve efficiency and productivity, Appalachian State University is requesting consolidation of three undergraduate degree programs in Career and Technical Education.

Appalachian State University is requesting authorization to consolidate three of its bachelor's degree programs into one B.S. degree program; two of the three programs were identified as "low productivity" in the 2014 review. The following programs will be discontinued and become concentrations within the Bachelor of Science in Career and Technical Education (13.1299).

- B.S. in Business Education (13.1303)
- B.S. in Family and Consumer Sciences, Secondary Education (13.1308)
- B.S. in Technology Education (13.1309)

Students in the current programs will experience no disruption in their program of study during this transition to the merged degree program. Individuals currently in these degree programs will be allowed to complete their degrees under the current structure.