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MEMORANDUM

To: Dr. Layton R. McCurdy, Chairman, and Members, Commission on Higher Education

From: Dr. Bettie Rose Horne, Chair, and Members, Committee on Academic Affairs and Licensing *R.R.H./lam*

Informational Report on Approved and Terminated Programs FY 2007- 2008

Background

This report contains information on the number of new programs approved, existing programs modified, and existing programs terminated by the Commission during FY 2007-2008. The term "program" as used here also includes concentrations and options. Eighteen new programs were added, two were modified, and thirteen were terminated during this year.

The listing of programs approved and terminated is found in **Attachments 1 and 2**. The terminations are presented by institution. This information is presented to members of the Committee for information only to provide an overview of program approval activity during the past year.

Approval of New Programs, 2007-2008

Program development occurred primarily at the undergraduate level. There were seven programs developed at the baccalaureate level and five at the associate's degree level. There were four new master's degree programs developed and two doctoral programs. There were not any centers or institutes developed during this year.

Of the 18 **new** programs approved in FY 2007-2008, seven general areas of curricular growth can be identified:

Table 1. Approved Programs for Public Institutions in S.C., 2006-2007

Curricular Area	Associate Degrees	Bachelor Degrees	Master Degrees	Doctoral Degrees	Total
Athletic Training		1			1
Criminal Justice				1	1
Education		2	2		4
Exercise and Sport Science		2			2
Healthcare	5	1	2		8
Nursing and Related Fields				1	1
Music		1			1
Total	5	7	4	2	18

Modifications of Programs, 2007-2008

There were two programs modified and both were at the undergraduate level. The first program modification was from Clemson to modify its existing Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering by adding a new concentration in Biomolecular Engineering. The second modification was from USC-Columbia to modify its existing Bachelor of Science in Generic Nursing by offering an off-site location at USC-Salkehatchie and USC-Lancaster.

Terminations of Programs, 2007-2008

Nine institutions had termination activity during the 2007-2008 year. Clemson terminated five concentrations, one in education and the other four in animal, food, dairy, and poultry science. College of Charleston terminated two concentrations from its Physics major. The University of South Carolina-Columbia terminated two programs in education. The University of South Carolina-Upstate terminated three concentrations from education programs. The University of South Carolina-Aiken terminated its concentration in athletic training from the Exercise and Sports Science program. There were four programs terminated within the Technical College System. Aiken Technical College terminated its major in Electro-Mechanical Engineering Technology, Central Carolina Technical College terminated its major in Marketing, Midlands Technical College terminated its major in Pharmacy Technology, and Spartanburg Community College terminated its major in Interpreting.

Of the 17 existing programs and concentrations **terminated** in FY 2007-08, eight general curricular areas can be identified:

Table 2. Deleted Programs for Public Institutions in S.C., 2007-2008

Curricular Area	Associate Degrees	Bachelor Degrees	Master Degrees	Doctoral Degrees	Concentrations, Options and/or Centers	Total
Business/Marketing	1					1
Education			2		4	6
Engineering Technology	1					1
Exercise and Sport Science					1	1
Food, Nutrition, and Culinary Science					4	4
Interpreting	1					1
Pharmacy Technology	1					1
Physics					2	2
Total	4	0	2	0	11	17

Comparison of Newly Approved Programs with Terminated Programs

In the past year, the total of new program approvals exceeded deletions by five. Teacher education was the category in which most deletions occurred, and healthcare was the category in which most additions occurred. Four-year institutions provided the most new programs. The majority of terminations were concentrations rather than free-standing programs.

Table 3. Newly Approved Programs Compared to Terminated Programs, 2007-08

2007-08	2007-08 Approved Programs	2007-08 Terminated Programs, including Concentrations, Options, and Centers	Net
Two-Year Institutions	5	4¹	+1
Four-Year Institutions	13	13	0
Total	18	17	+1

¹ Because of the delay in reporting data, information presented for technical colleges is for FY 2005-06. No programs were terminated at the regional two-year campuses of USC in 2007-08.

FY 2007-08 Approved Programs

1. A.H.S., Cardiovascular Technology, Piedmont Tech
2. A.H.S., Physical Therapy Assistant, Piedmont Tech
3. A.H.S., Veterinary Technology, Piedmont Tech
4. A.H.S., Radiation Protection Technology, Spartanburg Community College
5. A.H.S., Occupational Therapy Assistant, Horry Georgetown Tech
6. B.A. and B.S., Public Health, USC-Columbia
7. B.S., Secondary Education, College of Charleston
8. B.S., Music Industry, Francis Marion
9. B.S., Athletic Training, Winthrop
10. B.S., Exercise Science, Winthrop
11. B.S., Art Education, USC-Upstate
12. B.S., Exercise and Sport Science, Coastal Carolina
13. M.Ed. Montessori Education with concentration in Preschool (ages 3-6) and Primary (grades 1-3), Lander
14. M.A.T., Early Childhood Education, Winthrop
15. M.S.D., Dentistry, MUSC
16. M.R.A., Research Administration, MUSC
17. Ph.D., Criminology and Criminal Justice, USC-Columbia
18. Ph.D., Healthcare Genetics, Clemson

FY 2007-08 Terminated Programs

Clemson University

1. terminate *German* from the *Modern Language* concentration in the **BA Secondary Education** program
2. terminate the concentrations of *Animal Science, Dairy Science, Food Science, and Poultry Science* from the program that leads to the **M.S. in Food, Nutrition, and Culinary Sciences**

University of South Carolina-Columbia

1. terminate the program leading to the **MAT, Early Childhood Education** at the main campus and at USC-Beaufort
2. terminate the program leading to the **MEd in Community and Adult Education**

College of Charleston

1. terminate the concentration of *Astronomy* from the **AB, BA, and BS, Physics** majors
2. terminate the concentration of *Engineering* from the **AB, BA, and BS, Physics** majors

University of South Carolina-Upstate

1. terminate the *French, and Political Science* concentrations from the **BAEd, Secondary Teacher Education** program
2. terminate the *Political Science* concentration from the **BSEd, Secondary Teacher Education** program

University of South Carolina-Aiken

1. terminate the concentration of *Athletic Training* from the **BS in Exercise and Sports Science** degree.

Aiken Technical College

1. terminate the **Associate in Engineering Technology** degree with a major in *Electro-Mechanical Engineering Technology*

Central Carolina Technical College

1. terminate the **Associate in Business** degree with a major in *Marketing*

Midlands Technical College

1. terminate the **Associate in Health Science** degree with a major in *Pharmacy Technology*

Spartanburg Community College

1. terminate the **Associate in Public Service** degree with a major in *Interpreting*