



RESOLUTION

concerning

PROGRAM MODIFICATION

FOR A

HISPANO-NORTH AMERICAN INTER-UNIVERSITY
SPECIALIZATION IN
SPANISH LANGUAGE AND HISPANIC CULTURE IN THE
MASTER OF ARTS IN MODERN LANGUAGES DEGREE
AT
CENTRAL CONNECTICUT STATE UNIVERSITY

February 2, 2001

WHEREAS, Central Connecticut State University offers the degree Master of Arts in Modern Languages and currently offers a specialization and courses within the Modern Language degree in Spanish Language and Hispanic Culture, and

WHEREAS, Central Connecticut State University has been invited by the Spanish government to join a prestigious consortium and to include courses from the University of Salamanca in its Master's program, and

WHEREAS, The addition of a new Hispano-North American Inter-University specialization in Spanish Language and Hispanic Culture would facilitate participation in the consortium and offer opportunities for CCSU students to study at the University of Salamanca, and

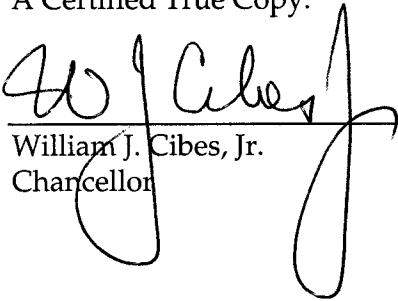
WHEREAS, The offering of a Master of Arts in Modern Languages degree with a Hispano-North American Inter-University specialization represents a modification to the existing Master of Arts Degree since it will require the core courses expected of all students in the MA in Modern Language program, and

WHEREAS, In addition to a separate academic objective than other specializations within the Masters in Modern Arts degree, the Hispano-North American Inter-University specialization will include a sufficient amount of required courses to need separate approval under the Board of Governors approval regulations, and

WHEREAS, The new specialization will allow students to utilize an innovative international option to improve their understanding of Spanish and Hispanic language and culture thereby enhancing their career possibilities, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees for the Connecticut State University System approves Central Connecticut State University's application to the Board of Governors for Higher Education for a Hispano-North American Inter-University specialization in Spanish Language and Hispanic Culture within the Masters in Arts in Modern Language Degree.

A Certified True Copy:



William J. Cibes, Jr.
Chancellor

ITEM

Master of Arts in Modern Language with a Hispano-North American Inter-University specialization in Spanish Language and Hispanic Cultures at Central Connecticut State University

BACKGROUND

Central Connecticut State University proposes a new graduate Hispano-North American Inter-University specialization in Spanish Language and Hispanic Culture in which courses will be offered within the licensed and accredited Master of Arts in Modern Languages program. Approval for this degree is sought under the program modification guidelines of the Board of Governors for the Department of Higher Education.

In addition to having academic objectives different from the other specializations within the Master of Arts degree, the new specialization will have a sufficient amount of required courses to require separate approval under the Board of Governors approval regulations. The new Hispano-North American Inter-University specialization will enable students to complete courses at the University of Salamanca in Spain and incorporate these courses in the Master of Arts degree.

ANALYSIS

The Hispano-North American Inter-University specialization is an outgrowth and a modification of the existing specialization in Spanish Language and Hispanic Culture and builds on courses currently offered and additional courses that are being developed. The specialization can be provided with existing resources since it relies largely on extant courses, facilities and library holdings. As it is an outgrowth from existing courses within the Modern Language program and utilizes the same foundation courses as other specializations, it is submitted appropriately as a modification to an existing program. This specialization is expected to contribute importantly to the acquisition of Spanish language skills and the understanding of Hispanic culture.

CHANCELLOR'S RECOMMENDATION

Approve CCSU's application for a Hispano-North American Inter-University specialization in Spanish Language and Hispanic Cultures within the Master of Arts in Modern Language degree.