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RESOLUTION

concerning

MASTER OF LIBRARY SCIENCE DEGREE

April 14, 1978

WHEREAS, The Master's degree in Library Science at Southern Connecticut State College is accredited by the American Library Association, and

WHEREAS, The degree usually awarded upon the completion of such programs is the Master of Library Science, and

WHEREAS, The American Library Association has indicated it approves the program only and is not concerned with the title of the degree, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That students successfully completing the Master's degree program in Library Science at Southern Connecticut State College shall be awarded the degree Master of Library Science, and be it further

RESOLVED, That students who graduated from the Master's degree program at Southern Connecticut State College after that program was accredited by the American Library Association and who were awarded the degree Master of Science, may send Southern Connecticut State College the diploma signifying the awarding of the degree Master of Science together with a written request that they be awarded the degree Master of Library Science and upon the receipt of such diploma and such written request the President of Southern Connecticut State College, or his designee, shall award the degree Master of Library Science as a replacement for the degree Master of Science, shall cause the records of the College to be changed to reflect the awarding of the degree Master of Science, and, if the person making such request provides the funds to defray the cost of issuing a new diploma, shall issue a new diploma reflecting the awarding of the degree Master of Library Science, and be it further

RESOLVED, That if a graduate of the said program who has been awarded the Master of Science degree has never been issued a diploma or has lost the diploma, the burden of proof that such diploma does not exist or has been irretrievably lost shall rest with the graduate and the College President or his designee shall have the authority and responsibility to determine when such proof is adequate and upon the determination that a diploma awarding the degree Master of Science does not exist or has been irretrievably lost the College President or his designee may waive the requirement that such diploma be returned to the College.

A Certified True Copy:

James A. Frost Executive Director

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June 29, 1978

Manson Van B. Jennings, President Southern Connecticut State College 501 Crescent Street New Haven, Connecticut 06515

Dear President Jennings:

The Board of Higher Education, at its monthly meeting held on June 27, 1978, approved the following Resolutions:

RESOLVED to license a sixth-year program in Foundational Studies at Southern Connecticut State College, New Haven, Connecticut, for a period of two years ending July 30, 1980, with a progress report due by July 30, 1979, and a possible interim visit.

RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of State Colleges be authorized to change the degree title for the graduate program in Library Science at Southern Connecticut State College, New Haven, Connecticut, from Master of Science (M.S.) to Master of Library Science (M.L.S.).

Congratulations on achieving this recognition. We wish you success in future educational endeavors.

Sincerely yours,

Donald W. Skinner Associate Director for Accreditation

DWS:jb

cc: Dr. James A. Frost

Bd. of Trustees for State Colleges

AMERICAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

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January 31, 1978

Dr. Manson Van B. Jennings President Southern Connecticut State College 501 Crescent St. New Haven, Connecticut 06515

Dear Dr. Jennings:

Dr. Emanuel Prostano, Director of the Division of Library Science and Instructional Technology, Southern Connecticut State College has asked that I confirm to you in writing the information which I gave to him by telephone on January 19, 1978 relative to the proposed change in the degree granted to graduates of the masters program in librarianship offered by the Division.

In its accreditation program, the ALA Committee On Accreditation is concerned with the content and quality of first professional degree programs in librarianship. The Committee accredits the program, not the name of the degree awarded on completion of that program.

It is the Committee's understanding that the only action now contemplated is to award the M.L.S. rather than the M.S. upon completion of the master's program, and that the program itself will in no way be altered.

These being the circumstances, the ALA Committee On Accreditation will take no position with respect to the degree name and the accredited status of the program will remain the same.

Sincerely yours,

Elinor Yungmeyer

Accreditation Officer

ALA Committee on Accreditation

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cc: Dr. Prostano

Dr. Lucille Whalen, Chair

ALA Committee on Accreditation

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Dr. James Frost
Executive Secretary
Board of Trustees for the State Colleges
P.O. Box 2008
New Britain, Connecticut 06050

Dear Dr. Frost:

An inquiry has been addressed to me regarding the appropriate title for a master's degree in the field of Library Science.

As you undoubtedly know, the State Colleges have traditionally employed the general degree classification (i.e., M.S., M.A.), without regard to the particular professional specialization of the graduate student. This "generic" approach has seemed most satisfactory in the past. However, there are certain professional groups, at least from time to time if not for eternity, which feel there is a distinct advantage in using a more discriminating title. Such is the case currently with librarians in this region who strongly favor the M.L.S. imprimatur over the plain old M.S. The former apparently carries more weight among employers, especially when granted by an accredited institution, and it certainly leaves no doubt as to the substantive field of learning mastered by the degree recipient. Accordingly, the College has requested consideration of the modification in degree nomenclature in this instance.

I should like to stress that approval by the Board of Trustees and the Board of Higher Education would result in a nominal change only. There has been an evolutionary alteration in the nature of library science over the years, and the program at this institution has been adjusted consistently to keep pace with these new trends in objectives. I assume these variations will continue to occur in order to meet modern technological and societal advancements, but such improvement is in no way related to the change in degree title being requested.

Sincerely yours,

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Evann Middlebrooks
Vice President of Academic Affairs

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From	Tom Porter //out	TITLE	TELEPHONE	
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SUBJECT				

Change from M.S. to M.L.S. at Southern

I have asked Dr. Middlebrooks to draft a response to Dr. Winandy's letter to you of January 6, 1978, on the above subject.

The Dean of the Library School at Southern has called the appropriate person in the American Library Association, who has endorsed the change under the present accreditation. A written response from this person will be attached to Dr. Middlebrooks's draft of the letter for your signature to Winandy. Parter Thompson!

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Dr. Jennings

Dr. Middlebrooks

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 Discussed 1/19/18 planning

January 13, 1978

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Dr. Manson Van B. Jennings President Southern Connecticut State College 501 Crescent Street New Haven, CT 06515

Dear Manson:

Enclosed is a copy of Don Winandy's letter to me dated January 6. You have already received a copy and the enclosure is for your convenience.

Please provide Tom Porter with the answers to the questions raised by Don. Thank you.

Sincerely,

James A. Frost Executive Director

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cc: Dr. Porter



BOARD OF HIGHER EDUCATION

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January 6, 1978

Dr. James A. Frost, Executive Director Board of Trustees for the State Colleges P.O. Box 2008 New Britain, CT 06050

Dear Jim:

This is an informal response to your letter of January 3 regarding addition of an M.L.S. degree at Southern Connecticut State College. I hope to place this matter on the agenda of the Student and Academic Affairs Committee for their review and comment. This may be an accreditation matter (10-330) if not subject to planning approval.

Does the proposed change from M.S. to M.L.S. imply a move from a school librarian training program to one which may prepare academic, public and special librarians, for which positions an M.L.S. is often required?

Although it appears that the College does have a full program, will this change affect American Library Association Approval and Standards of Performance? It is important to know whether there will be any change in the program and if so what costs will be associated with the change.

After our telephone conversation the other day, I have felt that at a minimum the Board should know that ALA has been consulted and has given assurances that the program will maintain accredited status.

Sincerely,

Don blessen it

Donald H. Winandy, Director
Academic Planning and Accreditation

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cc S. B. Gould

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M. Van B. Jennings

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M. Brackett, Chairman, Standing Committee on Accreditation

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January 3, 1978

Dr. Samuel B. Gould Interim Commissioner Board of Higher Education 340 Capitol Avenue Hartford, CT 06115

Dear Sam:

Under the regulations of the BHE our Board is required to inform you of any non-substantive changes in academic programs sixty days prior to the making of such a change. Southern Connecticut State College offers a graduate program in library science which is accredited by the American Library Association. This curriculum leads to the degree master of science. Our Trustees propose to change the degree to Master of Library Science which would be more in keeping with custom and with the expressed desires of students. Were this done the action would be made retroactive to June, 1972, the year in which the present curriculum was established.

This matter has been discussed with Dr. Winandy of your staff. If there are questions please call on me.

Sincerely,

James A. Frost Executive Director

JAF/b

cc: Dr. Winandy Dr. Jennings



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Executive Secretary
Board of Trustees for the State Colleges
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Dear Jim:

At the present time, the graduates of our Master's program in library science are being awarded the Master of Science degree. It would seem appropriate, particularly since our program is one of only two programs in New England accredited by the American Library Association, to award the more commonly granted degree for successful completion of our Master's degree curriculum in library science: the Master of Library Science degree.

I therefore recommend that this matter be brought to the attention of the Planning Committee of the Board as a first step toward receiving authorization for awarding the M. L. S. degree at Southern. Dr. Ernest Johnson has discussed this matter with me and urges that if Southern does receive authority to grant the M. L. S. degree we grant it retroactively to former students who have met the requirements of our current accredited program.

Sincerely,

Manson Van B. Jennings

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President

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