DISCONTINUANCE OF DEGREE PROGRAMS in the
CONNECTICUT STATE UNIVERSITY

January 10, 1992


#### Abstract

WHEREAS, A systematic review of low enrollment degree programs is being conducted during 1991-92 in the Connecticut State University institutions, and

WHEREAS, Under the terms of Sections 10a-6 and 10a-89 of the Connecticut General Statutes, the Board of Trustees of the Connecticut State University must approve plans for development and redirection of the institutions under its jurisdiction, therefore, be it


RESOLVED: That the following degree programs, having been reviewed in accordance with appropriate University procedures, are hereby closed to new admissions and shall be proposed for elimination to the Board of Governors for Higher Education upon certification by the relevant campus president that all currently enrolled students have had appropriate opportunity to graduate:

At Southern Connecticut State University

CIP NO. RROGRAM NAME
131399 School Nurse Teacher
400101 Physical Sciences General
400703 Earth Sciences General
450701 Geography
500799 Art
180103 Communications Disorders
131201 Adult Education
131307 Health Education
260201 Biochemistry
At Western Connecticut State University
430104 Police, Law Enforcement, Corrections

## DEGREE

## Masters

Masters
Masters
Masters
Masters
6th Yr. Cert.
Masters
Bachelors
Bachelors

Associates
and, be it

RESOLVED: That the Board of Trustees of the Connecticut State University approves proposing to the Board of Governors for Higher Education elimination of the following degree programs subject to completion of appropriate University review procedures at the campus level and certification by the relevant campus president that all currently enrolled students have had appropriate opportunity to graduate:

## At Western Connecticut State University

450101 Social Sciences General Masters
131315 Reading
6th Year Cert.
At Central Connecticut State University
400501 Chemistry Masters
400703 Earth Science Masters
400801 Physics Masters
420101 Psychology
131310 Marketing Education
131310 Marketing Education
M.S.

Bachelors
131303 Business Education
239999 Language Arts
Masters
Bachelors
050104 East Asian Studies
Masters
Bachelors
and be it
RESOLVED: That the Board of Trustees of the Connecticut State Universities recognizes that all Connecticut State University institutions continue to be in the process of reviewing low-enrollment degree programs in addition to the degree programs listed above and urges that such reviews proceed as quickly as possible while fully observing appropriate University review procedures.


May 5, 1992

Dr. Andrew DeRocco
Commissioner of Higher Education 61 Woodland Street
Hartford, CT 06105
Dear Commissioner DeRocco:
In my letter to you of March 2, 1992, regarding low enrollment degree programs in the Connecticut State University system, I requested deferral of action on a number of programs on the grounds that they were under active consideration for discontinuance or modification in our faculty governance processes.

All of us in the CSU system appreciate very much your willingness and that of the Board to permit us to work through our internal processes on these matters.

A number of these internal reviews have now been completed.
Enclosed is a resolution approved by the CSU Board of Trustees on May 1, 1992, approving the closure to new admissions and ultimate discontinuance of three M.S. programs at Eastern Connecticut State University: English Education (131305), History/Social Sciences Education (131317), and Marine Environmental Education (131399).

Also, the Faculty Senate at Western has signed off on two of the programs under review at that campus. These are the Masters in Social Sciences General (450101) and the Sixth Year Certificate in Reading (131315). The closure of these programs to new admissions and their ultimate discontinuance was approved in our Trustees Resolution of January 10, 1992, pending completion of campus review. A copy of this resolution is enclosed. Western's campus administration has now certified that the local review process is completed and that there was concurrence in the discontinuance of these two programs.

We still have a number of programs under internal review, and I will be giving you an up-date on these shortly. Again, many thanks for your patience in this matter.

Sincerely,


Thomas A. Porter
Provost

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cC: Dr. Beal
    University Presidents
    Academic Vice Presidents
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EASTERN CONNECTICUT STATE UNIVERSITY
A campus of the Connecticut State University

To: Dr. Thomas Porter Provost
Connecticut State University
From: Dimitrios Pachis $D 5 P$
Interim Vice President for Academic Affairs
Date: December 2, 1991
Re: Progress Report on Review of Academic Progirams with Low Degree production

Eastern Connecticut State University has completed its internal review of the three academic programs which the Department of Higher Education has included on its revised list of "Low Degree Production Programs." The internal review has shown that the advantages to the University from retaining these programs far outweigh any possible shortcomings associated with the low degree production of each program. Eastern then wishes to retain all three graduate programs. The reviewed programs are:

1. M.S. English Education
2. M.S. History/Social Sciences Education
3. M.S. Marine Environmental Education

Following is a summary analysis of the appropriate review factors.

Program: M.S. English Education

## I. Contrality to Mission:

Eastern's historical commitment to its teacher education programs has been reaffirmed by the recently adopted Academic Master Plan. These programs are receiving special attention and support. The English Education curriculum provides options for graduate students who wish to receive a degree in English Education and those who wish cross endorsement.

## II. Need and Duplication:

English courses provide programmatic diversity at the graduate level. All eleven graduate teacher education programs share a common core of five graduate courses--15 credit hours. The English Education concentration, requires 15 credit hours in English. Fifteen credit hours are common to all eleven graduate programs in teacher education. The fifteen credit hour common core provides for a strong interdependence among all eleven graduate programs.

## III. Quality:

Courses are taught in reasonably small groups by well qualified English faculty, English faculty prepare and administer the comprehensive examinations and supervise the graduate theses in the field.:

## IV. Fnrollment:

Courses are normally offered on a combined graduate/ undergraduate format. Enrollment figures for years 1986-1991 are attached.

## V. Resources:

The cost of offering the English curriculum itself is not particularly unfavorable. The elimination of this program will reduce enrollments in common core course and raise the cost of all graduate programs. Eastern plans to expand its effort to increase its enrollment in graduate English enrollments.

Eastern wishes to retain its English Education program.

| ENGLISH |  | G | UG | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| ENG 561, Seminar: Culcure of Multiculturalism | FALL 91 | 6 | 0 | 6 |
| ENG 562, Seminar: Nature in Classic Amer, Literature | SPR '91 | 6 | 1 | 7 |
| ENG 462/562, Seminar: Humor in Children's Literature | SPR '91 | 1 | 16 | 17 |
| ENG 462/562, Seminar: Faulkner, Hemingway, Morrison | SPR '91 | 1 | 13 | 14 |
| ENG 561, Seminar: Shakespeare and the Family | FALL 90 | 4 | 0 | 4 |
| ENG 463/563, Seminar: Modern American Drama | SPR '90 | 4 | 7 | 11 |
| ENG 464/564, Seminar: English Novel | SPR '90 | 6 | 17 | 23 |
| ENG 461/561, Seminar: Tragedy | FALL 89 | 6 | 9 | 15 |
| ENG 462/562, Seminar: Romantic Period in England | FALL 89 | 6 | 8 | 14 |
| ENG 476/576, Seminar: ? | FALL 88 | 6 | 5 | 11 |
| ENG 475/575, Seminar: Satire | SUM '88 | 3 | 10 | 13 |
| ENG 574, Seminar: Adolescent Literature | SUM '88 | 12 | 0 | 12 |
| ENG 472/572, Seminar: Modern American Drama | SPR '88 | 7 | 10 | 17 |
| ENG 314/514, Literature to 1798 | SUM '87 | 2 | 11 | 13 |
| ENG 588, Seminar: ? | SUM '87 | 6 | 8 | 14 |
| ENG 460/560, Advanced Creative Writing | SPR '87 | 3 | 10 | 13 |
| ENG 486/586, Seminar: Milton | SPR '87 | 2 | 3 | 5 |
| ENG 487/587, Seminar: Contemp. World Poetry | SPR '87 | 2 | 12 | 14 |
| ENG 483/583, Seminar: Eugene O'Neill | FALL 86 | 5 | 10 | 15 |
| ENG 484/584, Seminar: Victorian Literature | FALL '86 | 4 | 10 | 14 |
| ENG 335/535, Shakespeare's Comedies | SUM '86 | 4 | 12 | 16 |
| ENG 360/560, Topics/Literary Genres | SPR '86 | 5 | 10 | 15 |
| ENG 480/580, Seminar: ? | SPR '86 | 7 | 6 | 13 |
| ENG 481/581, Seminar: ? | SPR '86 | 5 | 11 | 16 |

## EASTERN CONNECTICUT STATE UNIVERSITY

Program: M.S. Marine Environmental Education

## I. Centrality to Mission:

Eastern's historical commitment to its teacher education programs has been reaffirmed by the recently adopted Academic Master Plan. These programs are receiving special attention and support. The Marine Environmental Science curriculum provides options for graduate students who wish to receive a degree in the field and those who wish cross endorsement.

Maintaining a graduate science program will strengthen the University's preparation of science teachers during a time when the national education agenda is calling for the preparation of math and science teachers.

## II. Need and Duplication:

Marine environmental curriculum provides a unique approach to science education. Program has a high visibility through Project Oceanology ("Project o") within the public education and scientific communities.

## III. Quality:

Well qualified science educators, with strong academic reputations, service this durriculum. Science education faculty prepare and administer the comprehensive examinations and supervise the graduate theses in the field.

## IV. Enrollment:

The program serves graduate students who are both officially enrolled in master's degree programs and who are seeking cross endorsement. Curriculum is offered on a graduate or graduate/undergraduate format. Enrollment figures for years 1986-1991 are attached.
V. Resources:

A healthy enrollment in the marine environmental courses justifies the continuation of the program. Discontinuation of this graduate program will adversely affect the cost and quality of the graduate and undergraduate science programs.
other:
Marine environmental education courses are, in part, borne by our partnership with Project Oceanology. Eastern maintains its membership with "Project 0 " because of the special
educational services and facilities available to both graduate and undergraduate students. Lab facilities, the Envir Lab, and specialized instruction are also provided by "Project 0 ". The elimination of the Marine Environmental Education program will be to the detriment of Elastern's undergraduate program, will limit the availability of science courses to other graduate students, and ultimately reduce overall graduate enrollment and the cost of running graduate courses. To a large extent, marine environmental courses are service courses to other graduate programs.

Eastern wishes to retain its Marine Environmental Education program.


## EASTERN CONNECTICUT STATE UNIVERSITY

Program: M.S. History/Sodial Sciences Education

## I. Centrality to Kission:

Eastern's historical commitment to its teacher education programs has been reaffirmed by the recently adopted
Academic Master Plan. These programs are receiving special attention and support. The History/Social Sciences Education curriculum provides options for graduate students who wish to receive a degree in the field and those who wish cross endorsement.

## II. Need and Duplioation:

History courses provide progrdmatic diversity at the graduate level. All eleven graduate teacher education programs share the following common core of five graduate courses- 15 credit hours. The History/Social Sqiences Education concentration, requires 15 credit hours in the field. Fifteen credit hours are common to all eleven graduate programs in teacher education. The fifteen credit hour common core provides for a strong interdependence among all eleven teacher education graduate programs.
III. Quality:

Courses are taught in reasonably small groups by well qualified History faculty. : History faculty prepare and administer the comprehensive examinations and supervise the graduate theses in the field.

## IV. Enrollment:

Courses are normally offered on a combined graduate/ undergraduate format. Enrollment figures for years 1986-1991 are attached.

## V. Resources:

The cost of offering the History curriculum itself is not particularly unfavorable. The elimination of this program will reduce enrollments in common core courses and raise the cost of all graduate programs. Eastern plans to expand its effort to increase its enrollment in graduate History courses.

Eastern wishes to retain its History/Social Sciences Education program.

| HISTORY (Including WST cross-listings) |  | G | UG | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| HIS 400/508, Seminar in American History | FALL '91 | 2 | 10 | 12 |
| HIS 317/517, WST 517, Women in History | FALL '91 | 4 | 21 | 25 |
| HIS 310/510, Great Issues in U.S. History | SUM '91 | 6 | 20 | 26 |
| HIS 510, Survey of American History | INT '91 | 4 | 0 | 4 |
| HIS 400/508, Seminar in American History. | FALL '90 | 2 | 11 | 13 |
| HIS 375/575, History of Japan | FALL '90 | 1 | 22 | 23 |
| HIS 375/575, History of Japan | SUM '90 | 3 | 17 | 20 |
| HIS 365/565, Special Topics | SPR '90 | 4 | 10 | 14 |
| HIS 378/578, Early Northern Europe | SPR '90 | 1 | 18 | 19 |
| HIS 317/517, WST 317, Women in History | FALL '89 | 1 | 22 | 23 |
| HIS 310/510, Issues in American History | SUM '89 | 8 | 14 | 22 |
| HIS 372/572, Current Affairs | INT '89 | 2 | 13 | 15 |
| HIS 508, American History Seminar | FALL '88 | 7 | 10 | 17 |
| HIS 310/510, Great Issues in American History | SUM '88 | 8 | 13 | 21 |
| HIS 300/500, Historical Research \& Writing | SPR ${ }^{88}$ | 2 | 11 | 13 |
| HIS 508, Seminar in American History | SPR '88 | 8 | 0 | 8 |
| HIS 372/572, Current Affairs | INT '88 | 11 | 0 | 11 |
| HIS 465/565, Seminar: American History, 1763-1860 | FALL '87 | 10 | 8 | 18 |
| HIS 365/565, Seminar: New England Towns | SUM '87 | 7 | 12 | 19 |
| HIS 300/500, Historical Research \& Writing | SPR '87 | 3 | 17 | 20 |
| HIS 365/565, WST 365, History of Working Women | SPR ${ }^{87}$ | 2 | 6 | 8 |
| HIS 372/572, Great Decisions, 1987 | INT '87 | 1 | 13 | 14 |
| HIS 365/565, Special Topics | SPR '86 | 5 | 14 | 19 |
| HIS 372/572, Current Affairs | INT '86 | 8 | 28 | 36 |

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Dacember 4,1991

Dr. Thomas Porter<br>Provost<br>Connecticut State University New Britain, Connecticut

Dear Tom:
As per your request, please find below the decision on those programs identified by the Department of Higher Education as having a "Low Degree Production" average over the last tive years.

After the appropriate consultation and review with the affected departments, the following degree programs should be removed from the Institutional program Inventory effective as of this date:

CIP Program Name Degree
260201 Blochemistry B.A.
131399 School Nurse Teacher M.S.
400101 Physical Sciences-Gen'1. M.S.
400703 Earth Sciences-Gen'l. M.S.
450701 Geography M.S.
$500709^{\circ}$ ART M.A.

The following programs will not be admitting new students for the academic year, 1992-93. However, these programs should not be removed from the Institutional Program Inventory so that pregently enrolled degree candidates may complete their degrees. The projected timetable will be provided after a review of the file of each student in these respective programs:

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CIP Program Name Degree
180103 Communication Disorders SYC
131201 Adult Education M.S.
131307 Health Education B.S.
I am requesting that the following Foreign Language
Degree Programs be continued at this time to allow
for further study of their disposition:
CIP Program Name Degree
160501 German B
160901 French B
160902 Italian B
160905 Spanish B
160101 Foreign Languages -Gen'l M
160901 French M
160905 Spanish M
I am requesting that the following degree programs be
retained on the Institutional Program Inventory :
CIP Program Name Degree
250401 Library Science/Library B
    Information
380101 Philosophy B
500703 Art History&Appreciation B
450101 Social Sciences-Gen'l. M
451001 Political Science&Gov. M
270101 Mathematics-Gen'l. M
131316 Science Education M
I will provide at your request any additional information
that you need for your presentaion to the Board of Trustees
and the Department of Higher Education.
sincerely yours,
Anthony%. Pinciaro
Vice president for Academic Affairs
cc: President M. Adanti
    Academic Deans
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# Western Connecticut State University 

A Campus of the Connecticut State University

Philip J．Steinkrauss，Ph．D． Vice President for Academic Affairs

To：Dr．Thomas A．Porter Provost，CSU

From：Philip J．Steinkrauss Vice President Academic


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Subj：REVIEW OF LOW DEGREE PROGRAMS AT UCSU

In accordance with the DHE／BGHE＂review Process for Low Degree Programs（May，1991），＂I am submitting this report for consideration as appropriate by the CSU Board of Trustees．It is my understanding that this report will be forwarded to the DHE along with CSU Executive Office \＆BOT recommendations．

## BACKGROUND

June 4， 1991 －Commissioner Glasgow informs WCSU that the DHE has identified 16 academic programs at WCSU with low degree production．（see Appendix 1）

August 14， 1991 －WCSU notifies DHE of current status of the 16 programs \＆requests that 8 programs be either dropped from the DHE＇s official programs inventory or removed from the list of programs requiring further review．（see Appendix 2）

Sept．20， 1991 －DHE complies with WCSU＇s request； 8 programs remain requiring further review．（see Appendix 3）

Oct．22， 1991 －DHE issues a Staff Report identifying 8 programs at WCSU requiring further review．（see Appendix 4）

Dec．9， 1991 －WCSU reports to CSU Board of Trustees regarding 8 programs reviews．（this report）

PROGRAMS TO BE DISCONTINUED
WCSU reports that the following 3 programs（of the 8 requiring further review）will be discontinued in accordance with local governance and collective bargaining procedures：

1．AS Degree Program in Police，Law Enforcement，Corrections
（DHE $\# 00201$ ，CIP $⿰ ⿰ 三 丨 ⿰ 丨 三 一$ 430104）effective Fall， 1992
2．MS Degree Program in Social Sciences，General
（DHE \＃00206，CIP \＃450101）effective Fall， 1992
3．SYC Program in Reading
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## PROGRAMS TO BE RETAINED

1. BS Degree Program in Music Education (DHE \#00182, CIP \#131312)
2. BM Degree Program in Music (Performance, Comp., \& Theory) (DHE \#00216, CIP \#500904)

RATIONALE: Centrality to Mission, Need, Quality and Increasing Enrollment (See Program Review, Appendix 5)
3. BS Degree Program in Medical Laboratory Technologies (DHE \#00187, CIP \#180901)

RATIONALE: Centrality to Mission, Need, (the BGHE has identified medical technology as a "shortage area") Lack of Duplication, Quality, and Sharp Increases Recently in Enrollment (see Program Review, Appendix 6)
4. BA/BS Degree Program in Spanish
(DHE 非00186, CIP 非160905)
RATIONALE: The members of the Foreign Language Departments at each of the 4 CSU campuses are actively working together, collaborating, and moving toward joint activities so as to promote enrollments in Spanish as well as other foreign languages. (see Appendix 7) This active experimentation aimed at improving foreign language performance, creating sensitivity to the way language functions in the cultures in which it is spoken, preparing foreign language teachers for secondary and elementary schools, and tying foreign language to other areas of the curriculum ("language across the curriculum"), requires time and resources.

WCSU requests that no action be taken by the CSU Board of Trustees or by the DHE/BGHE until the collaboration cited above is allowed to mature and have an effect. In the meantime, it is important to point out that Western's only language major is central to the mission and role of the School of Arts \& Sciences; the opportunity to study a language and culture in depth ought not to be denied a student. Furthermore, the program, while under-enrolled, is needed in the State and Region.

## PROGRAM(s) TO BE MODIFIED

The last of the 8 programs to be addressed is the
MA Degree Program in Oceanography (DHE 非00196, CIP \#400702)

WCSU proposes, through the DHE Program Modification route, to revise its MA Degree Program in Oceanography/Limnology to an MA Degree Program in Biological and Environmental Sciences. The proposed degree program would permit three options: Environmental Sciences, Aquatic Sciences, and Cell and Molecular Biology. (see Appendix 8) This decision and recommendation follows a two-tier (internal review followed by a review and visit from 2 external consultants) program evaluation conducted 2 years ago. The Program Modification Proposal will contain excerpts from this review. Analysis of the need for and potential enrollments in such a program, leads Western to believe that this will be a highly successful direction which capitalizes on regional need and resources, student interest, and faculty expertise, while significantly contributing to the economic health of the State of Connecticut. Western strongly recommends that the BOT and DHE allow this approach.

## SUMHARY

In sum, of the original list of 16 programs with low degree production, Western Connecticut State University

- has or will discontinue 7 programs;
- has increased degree production in 4 programs;
- recommends retaining 4 programs; and,
- seeks a program modification in 1 program.
c: President Feldman
Appropriate Deans \& Chairpersons Univ. Senate \& local AAUP President
Attachments: (8 Appendices)

