REQUEST FOR PROGRAM DELETION(S)
University of Central Oklahoma

Master's of Art in Psychology – School Psychology

Name of program, major, minor or other to be deleted. (Do not delete until new program in School Psychology has been approved.)

Deletion of: ___ Program __ Major ___ Minor ___ Other

Is this program: ___ Undergraduate ___ Graduate

Please review Policy No. 1.11 on Discontinued Majors which may be found at: http://www.uco.edu/academic-affairs/faculty-staff/policies-guidelines.asp

Is this a teacher preparation program? (All courses required for any teacher preparation program must have approval from the Council on Teacher Education (CTE) before approval from AACC or Graduate Council.)

X Yes ___ No If yes, send copy of proposal to the Director of Teacher Education, Dr. Bryan Duke.

CTE Approval (Stamp or initial)

Approved

by the

Council on Teacher Education

Does this program to be deleted affect other programs or departments?

Yes X No If yes, provide name(s) of department chair(s) contacted, date(s), and results of discussion.

Psychology

Department submitting the proposal

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Person to contact with questions

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Approved by:

Department Chair

Date

College Dean

Date

College Curriculum Committee Chair

Date

(Please notify department chair when proposal is forwarded to dean.)

Academic Affairs Curriculum or Graduate Council Date

(Please notify department chair when proposal is forwarded to AA.)

Office of Academic Affairs Date

Effective term for this program change
(Assigned by Academic Affairs)
1. Are students still enrolled in program, major, or minor to be deleted?  
   - Yes [x] No [ ] If Yes, how many? 27

2. Expected graduation date for last students:  
   Spring 2023 – However, it should be noted that these students will have the opportunity to complete their intended degree within the newly proposed program: Education Specialist Degree in School Psychology. However, since the new program incorporates all of the current course requirements students who do not wish to follow the new course plan will be able to complete this version.

3. How will students currently in the deleted major, minor, or other be served?  
   A new program for school psychology will be created and will be a stand alone degree/program instead of an option as a graduate major under the psychology master’s degree.

4. Number of courses which will be deleted as a result of this action?  
   None
   Please submit course deletion forms for courses to be deleted.

5. If no courses are being deleted, how will they be used?  
   Courses won’t be deleted but transferred and under the new proposed Education Specialist Degree (Ed.S.) in School Psychology.

6. Will deletion of program/major/minor make any funds available for reallocation?  
   - Yes [x] No [ ]
   If yes, which departments/programs will receive the reallocated funds?

   If no, how will existing funds be used?  
   It will be used towards the newly created Education Specialist Degree in School Psychology.

7. Please provide a concise, yet comprehensive, statement that explains the reasons for requesting the deletion. Include documentation or assessment information supporting the specific request (if possible).  
   The current Master of Arts in Psychology – option in School Psychology is not competitive with the other two programs offered in the state for School Psychology degrees. In order to meet the needs of our students, the program needs to grow, change, and adapt. Specifically, in offering not only the master’s degree, but the Ed.S. Degree. These changes should be recognized for the work the students are already demonstrating through the course sequence that is already approved by the National Association of School Psychologists. Deleting the current option under the Psychology graduate programs and creating a new Education Specialist Degree as a standalone School Psychology Program will meet the needs of our students and help them be successful in the field as the Ed.S. degree is held to a higher standard in the field of School Psychology in comparison to a master’s degree.