



Regents Recap

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Regents Eliminate 28 Programs, Consolidate Eight

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BATON ROUGE, La. – As part of a year long effort to accelerate the review of academic course offerings, the Board of Regents approved the elimination of 28 programs state-wide during their regular meeting today. The action included the consolidation of eight programs into three, the elimination of 14 degree level programs, and the adoption of a request from the Louisiana Community and Technical College System to shut down 14 technical programs that are not viable. Most of the programs were originally identified during a program review in April of 2009 and given additional time to increase their performance.

Low-completer program reviews use five years of student graduation data provided by the campuses to measure productivity. Since January, 245 programs have been eliminated by the Board of Regents as a result of these reviews. The established standards to be met by campuses are:

- **Undergraduate Programs**—an average of 8 completers per year or a minimum of 40 graduates within 5 years
- **Masters/Specialist Programs**—an average of 5 completers per year or a minimum of 25 graduates within 5 years
- **Doctoral Programs**—an average of 2 completers per year or a minimum of 10 graduates within 5 years

Campuses with terminated programs have 90 days to appeal the Board of Regents decision if they believe additional information needs to be presented for reconsideration.

Here is a list of academic programs terminated by Regents today:

- Bossier Parish Community College—A.A.S. in Industrial Control Systems
- Fletcher Technical Community College—A.A.S. in Electronics Technology
- Southern University A & M—B.S. in Agricultural Economics
- Southern University-Shreveport—C.T.S. in Computer Network Technology, C.T.S. in Daycare Administration, A.A.S. in Early Childhood Education*, A.A.S. in Aviation Maintenance Technology and A.A.S. in Electronics Technology
- Louisiana State University A & M—B.A. in Women's and Gender Studies, M.A. in Comparative Literature and Ph.D. in Comparative Literature
- University of Louisiana-Monroe—Master of Music and Specialist in School Psychology
- University of Louisiana-Lafayette—B.S. in Dental Hygiene

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Upcoming Meetings:**Postsecondary
Education Review****Commission:
February 4-5****Board of Regents:
February 24-25****Regents Program Review continued...**

- LTC Region 1-Jefferson Campus—C.T.S. in Medical Assistant, C.T.S. in Hospitality/Tourism: Travel Clerk Assistant, T.D. in Hospitality Tourism: Travel Clerk, C.T.S. in Hospitality/Tourism: Guest Services Assistant and T.D. in Hospitality/Tourism: Guest Services Agent.
- LTC Region 1-West Jefferson Campus—C.T.C. in Main/Marine Electrician Apprentice, C.T.S. in Pipefitter Apprentice, C.T.S. in Outside Machinist, C.T.S. in Inside Machinist and C.T.S. in Sheetmetal Apprentice
- Region 4-T.H. Harris Campus—T.D. in Cosmetology, T.D. in Care & Development of Young Children, A.A.S. in Care & Development of Young Children, T.D. in Electrician: Industrial Electrician and T.D. in Automotive.

The programs being consolidated are:

- Southern University A & M—M.Ed. In Secondary Education with M.Ed. In Elementary Education
- Louisiana State University A & M—B.S. in Food Science and Technology with B.S. in Nutritional Sciences; ** Ph.D. in Business Administration-Management, with Ph.D. in Business Administration-Information Systems and Decision Sciences, Ph.D. in Business Administration-Marketing and with Ph.D. in Business Administration-Finance***

The Board of Regents also voted to approve a Master of Arts in teaching at Nicholls State University and two new areas of certification for a Non-Masters/Certification Only Program at McNeese University.

*Not a low-completer program, but must be redesigned to meet new teacher education preparation requirements.

**Not a low-completer program, but included as part of new, consolidated B.S. program in Nutrition and Food Sciences.

***Not a low-completer program, but included as part of new, consolidated Ph.D. in Business Administration.

Board of Regents Highlights

The Board of Regents approved the following items during the January meeting:

- **Revision of the Investment Policy for Endowed Chair, Professorship and Scholarship Programs**

- **Approval of Budget Adjustments for Southern University**

- **Approval of the Small Capital Projects Report**

The Board of Regents approved the following licenses:

- **Baker University**
- **Tulsa Welding School/Jacksonville Campus, Inc.**
- **WyoTech-Florida Campus**

The Board of Regents approved the following license renewals:

- **Frontier School of Midwifery and Family Nursing, Inc.**
- **University of South Alabama**

The Board of Regents approved the following change of ownership applications:

- **Lafourche Merchant Marine Training Services**
- **Moore Career College, Inc.**