

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, BAKERSFIELD
ACADEMIC SENATE

Discontinuation of the Master of Arts in Psychology
RES 1314048

EC

RESOLVED: that Academic Senate receive the request for Discontinuation of the M. A. Degree in Psychology without objection.

RATIONALE: The faculty of the Department of Psychology has requested permanent discontinuation of the MA Program in Psychology at CSUB. This program, at the request of the department, was placed on moratorium in 2009. The program now requests discontinuance of the MA. The Psychology program has followed the guidelines set forth in the CSUB *Academic Program Moratorium and Discontinuance policy*. Further, we believe the program has provided sufficient reasons for the discontinuance request. The Senate has reviewed the proposal and finds no reason for objecting to the request.

RATIONALE: For the purpose of determining whether program discontinuance is warranted, a written request for the review of an academic program may be made by any one of the following parties:

1. Chair of the degree program with the written approval of a majority of the tenured and probationary faculty in the program or, in appropriate instances, the program committee;
2. Dean of the school in which the program is housed;
3. Dean of Undergraduate Studies, but only in regard to an undergraduate program;
4. Dean of Graduate Studies, but only in regard to a graduate program;
5. Academic Senate; or
6. University Program Review Committee.

Such a request shall be submitted in writing to the:

1. Vice President for Academic Affairs;
2. Deans involved in the administration of the program;
3. Academic Senate; and
4. tenured and probationary faculty who teach in the program.

The letter making this request must clearly indicate the specific reasons for the suggested program discontinuance. If within 14 calendar days* of receipt of this

letter by the Vice President for Academic Affairs, none of the individuals or parties listed in (1) through (4) above (i.e., the Vice President for Academic Affairs, any Dean involved in the administration of the program, the Academic Senate by majority vote, or any tenured or probationary faculty member who teaches in the program) has objected to the proposed discontinuance in writing to the Vice President for Academic Affairs, a recommendation for discontinuance will be sent to the President. If within 14 calendar days of receipt of the letter requesting program discontinuance at least any one of those parties has objected to discontinuance, then the following procedures must be followed before a recommendation for program discontinuance can be made to the President.

*"Calendar days" exclude the summer break and the breaks between quarters wherever the term is used in this document.

Distribution List: President, Provost,

Approved by the Academic Senate on January 30, 2014

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