Proposal to Terminate the Ed.S. in Physical Education and Sport Studies

Department of Kinesiology

Basic Information:

College: Education
Department: Kinesiology
Name of Proposed Program: Termination of the Ed.S. in Physical Education and Sport Studies
Starting Date: Fall, 2007

Program Description:

Termination is requested for the Ed.S. degree with a major in Physical Education and Sport Studies (PESS). There is no longer sufficient demand to justify retaining this program. Over the past eight years, only three students have received the Ed.S. in PESS. There are currently no students enrolled in the program.

Faculty Vote:

The graduate faculty of the Department of Kinesiology voted 15-0 in favor of terminating the Ed.S. in Physical Education and Sport Studies.

Justification for Termination of the Ed.S. in Physical Education and Sport Studies:

The physical education program faculty responsible for the Ed.S. in PESS have concluded that the program is no longer needed. K-12 physical education teachers in the schools who seek additional education have many alternatives, including courses offered for staff development units, online programs offered by other universities, and degree programs in fields other than physical education. Therefore, the Ed.S. with a major in PESS at the University of Georgia is no longer attractive to a sufficient number of physical education teachers to justify maintaining the program. There have been only three students in the program over the last eight years and there are currently no students enrolled.

Impact on Current Students:

There would be no adverse impact of terminating the Ed.S. in PESS on current students in the Department. No students are currently enrolled in the program and none appear interested.

Financial Impact:

None.

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