

August 19, 2022

Dr. Michael T. Benson President and Professor of History Coastal Carolina University 107 Founders Drive Conway, SC 29526

Dear Dr. Benson:

Thank you for submitting the following substantive change:

Substantive change:

Program Closure Education Specialist (Ed.S.) in Educational Leadership

Submission date:

3/2/2022

Intended Implementation date:

2/28/2022

Case ID:

SC017745

The program is being closed due to low enrollment. All enrolled students have completed the program, and there are no students currently in the program; therefore, there are no students to notify of the closure. As clarified by email (August 4, 2022), since the last cohort completed the program, no students have been interested in the program and have enrolled in the Ph.D. in Educational Leadership program instead.

Program closure was initiated by faculty within the Educational Leadership program following discussion among faculty, program coordinators, and the Dean's office. No faculty or staff are negatively impacted as a result of the closure. Faculty in the program also teach within two existing programs, including the Ph.D. in Educational Leadership.

The Board of Trustees of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges approves the closure of the Education Specialist (Ed.S.) in Educational Leadership.

Should you need assistance, please contact Dr. Lynne S. Crosby at (404) 492-5390 or via email at lerosby@sacscoc.org.



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Please include the Case ID number above in all submissions or correspondence about this substantive change.

Sincerely,

Belle S. Wheelan, Ph.D. President

BSW/MAC:lp

cc: Ms. Holly J. Legg, Interim Director, Coastal Carolina University Dr. Lynne S. Crosby, Vice President, SACSCOC



Office of Institutional Research, Assessment and Analysis

March 2, 2022

Dr. Belle Wheelan Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges 1866 Southern Lane Decatur, GA 30033-4097

Dear Dr. Wheelan,

This letter serves as a notification that Coastal Carolina University received approval from the South Carolina Commission on Higher Education (SCCHE) to terminate the Education Specialist (Ed.S.) in Educational Leadership degree effective Spring 2022. No new applications will be accepted into the program as of February 28, 2022.

All students who were enrolled in the Ed.S. program have completed the program. With no new enrollment in the program since fall 2018, it was recommended and approved by the faculty and administration for the program to be closed.

Enclosed are the substantive change cover letter, the approval letter from the SCCHE, and the teach-out plan.

Please let me know if you have any questions or need clarification.

Sincerely,

Holly J. Legg

Institutional Accreditation Liaison

Interim Director

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Rusty L. Monhollon, Ph.D. President & Executive Director



February 28, 2022

MEMORANDUM

To: Dr. Daniel Ennis, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

From: Mariam Dittmann, Ph.D., Director, Office of Academic Affairs and Licensing WWD

CHE received a *Notification of Termination* (attached) on February 23, 2022, to terminate the Education Specialist (EdS) in Educational Leadership at Coastal Carolina University. As requested, the program will be deleted in the Commission's *Inventory of Academic Programs* with an implementation date of Spring 2022. The program closure date to new students is Spring 2022 and the data file closure date is Summer (June) 2022.

The CIP Code for the program is 13.1401 and the designated Site Codes are 51001 (Coastal Carolina University – Main Campus).

Please review this information and let us know if we have misinterpreted your information as this change, as stated, will be reflected in the *Inventory* and the document will be placed in the permanent program file.

Attachment

Dr. Teresa Burns, Associate Provost for Faculty Affairs and Academic Programs

Program File Inventory File













