

COMMISSION ON COLLEGES

December 9, 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

Undergraduate Certificate in Gerontology

Submission date:

5/19/2022

Intended Implementation date:

7/1/2022

Case ID:

SC018651

There has been no new enrollment in the Undergraduate Certificate in Gerontology since fall 2020. All students enrolled in the program completed it as of fall 2021. Therefore, there are no students to notify; there is no need for assistance with degree completion; no possibility of students incurring additional charges or expenses related to the closure; and no need for teach-out agreements with other institutions.

The program closure was initiated by faculty due to a lack of enrollment. The closure will not affect faculty or staff members. Faculty members have teaching loads in other programs.

The Board of Trustees of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges approves the closure of the Undergraduate Certificate in Gerontology.

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

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

Sincerely,

Belle S. Wheelan, Ph.D.

President

BSW/TDB:lp

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

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Office of Institutional Research, Assessment and Analysis

May 19, 2022

Dr. Kevin Sightler
Director of Substantive Change
Southern Association of Colleges and Schools
Commission on Colleges
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Decatur, GA 30033-4097

Dear Dr. Sightler,

This letter serves as a notification that Coastal Carolina University received approval from the South Carolina Commission on Higher Education (SCCHE) to terminate the undergraduate certificate in Gerontology effective July 2022. No new applications will be accepted into the program as of this date.

All students who were enrolled in the certificate program have completed the program as of fall 2021. With no new enrollment in the program since fall 2020, 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, the teach-out plan, and a copy of the Gerontology curriculum.

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

Sincerely,

Holly J. Legg CAccreditation Liaison

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May 13, 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 May 6, 2022, to terminate the Certificate program in Gerontology at Coastal Carolina University. As requested, the program will be deleted in the Commission's *Inventory of Academic Programs* with an implementation date of Summer 2022. The program closure and the data file closure date is Summer (July) 2022.

The CIP Code for the program is 30.1101 and the designated Site Code is 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

cc: Dr. Teresa Burns, Associate Provost for Faculty Affairs and Academic Programs
Program File
Inventory File













