



Board of Governors, State University System of Florida
ACADEMIC DEGREE PROGRAM TERMINATION FORM
In Accordance with BOG Regulation 8.012

INSTITUTION: Florida State University

PROGRAM NAME: Interdisciplinary Humanities

DEGREE LEVEL(S): Ph.D. **CIP CODE:** 24.0103
(B., M., Ph.D., Ed.D., etc.) (Classification of Instructional Programs)

ANTICIPATED TERMINATION TERM: Spring 2022
(First term when no new students will be accepted into the program)

ANTICIPATED PHASE-OUT TERM: Summer 2022
(First term when no student data will be reported for this program)

Please use this form for academic program termination. The form should be approved by the University Board of Trustees (UBOT) prior to submission to the Board of Governors, State University System of Florida for consideration. Please fill out this form completely for each program to be terminated in order for your request to be processed as quickly as possible. Attach additional pages as necessary to provide a complete response. In the case of baccalaureate or master's degree programs, the UBOT may approve termination in accordance with BOG Regulation 8.012, and submit this form to the Board of Governors, Office of Academic and Student Affairs. For doctoral level programs, please submit this form with all appropriate signatures for Board of Governor's consideration. The issues outlined below should be examined by the UBOT when approving program terminations.

1. Provide a narrative rationale for the request to terminate the program.

Demand for the doctoral degree in Interdisciplinary Humanities had diminished and it was unable to secure minimum enrollments. The doctoral program has remained suspended to allow students to complete their degree. The request is to terminate the doctoral program.

- 2. Indicate on which campus(es) the program is being offered and the extent to which the proposed termination has had or will have an impact on enrollment, enrollment planning, and/or the reallocation of resources.**

The program is offered on the main campus. The bachelor's program in Interdisciplinary Humanities will continue, and resources associated with the program are still needed to deliver the bachelor's program. The bachelor's program will move administratively to the Department of Religion in Fall 2022, which allows sufficient time for the termination of the doctoral degree program in Humanities.

- 3. Explain how the university intends to accommodate any students or faculty who are currently active in the program scheduled to be terminated. State what steps have been taken to inform students and faculty of the intent to terminate the program.**

The doctoral program has been suspended for several years and there is only one student who has not completed his degree and is not currently enrolled. That student has been given consistent guidance and information about the plan to terminate the doctoral degree. The student failed to complete his degree as planned by the end of Summer 2021 and has been notified that he is no longer in the program. If he were to contact us with a clear and feasible plan to finish before Summer 2022, then we would allow him to re-enroll and pursue that opportunity. Master's students enrolled in the program were told when that program was suspended that they would have the opportunity to complete their degree, and all who were enrolled in the program at the time have graduated. There may be one more student who can fulfill requirements of the master's program, and the request to terminate the master's program will give that student ample opportunity to complete the program and graduate. Faculty were apprised of the suspension of the doctoral program and master's program at the time of those decisions. The faculty associated with the doctoral program were embedded in Arts and Sciences units and had no change in their role/status. The faculty associated with the master's program are also involved in the bachelor's program and will continue teaching in that program.

- 4. Please provide the date when the teach-out plan was submitted to SACSCOC. Include a copy of the notification letter with your submission.**

The doctoral program in Humanities has no enrolled students at this time. As such, no teach-out plan is needed.

- 5. Provide data (and cite sources) on the gender and racial distribution of students in and faculty affiliated with the program. For faculty, also list the rank and tenure status of all affected individuals.**

According to FSU's Office of Institutional Research, there were 3 full-time faculty affiliated with the Interdisciplinary Humanities program in Fall 2020. All were non-tenure earning (specialized teaching faculty). All were white. One was male and two were female. The male faculty member left FSU in 2021. The only other faculty with an affiliation to the doctoral program in Humanities as of Fall 2020 was the director, a white male. The director's tenure home is in Religion and that is unaffected by the closure of the PhD in Humanities.

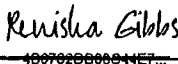



In Spring 2021, according to FSU's Office of Institutional Research, there was one African American male in the doctoral program.

6. Identify any potential negative impact of the proposed action on the current representation of females, minorities, faculty, and students in the program.

All students enrolled in the doctoral program in the 2020-21 academic year were given the opportunity to complete their degree. The man in the doctoral program had exceeded the time allowed to complete the PhD at FSU and in Fall 2020 was granted a formal extension of time through Summer 2021, but he failed to complete.

7. If this is a baccalaureate program, please explain how and when the Florida College System (FCS) institutions have been notified of its termination so that students can be notified accordingly.

Not applicable.

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