



TO: The Honorable the Members of the Board of Regents

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SUBJECT: State University of New York (SUNY) College of Technology at Delhi: Authorization to Award the Bachelor of Science (B.S.) Degree

DATE: February 1, 2018

AUTHORIZATION(S): 

SUMMARY

Issue for Decision (Consent Agenda)

Should the Board of Regents authorize the Board of Trustees of the State University of New York to confer the Bachelor of Science (B.S.) degree at State University of New York (SUNY) College of Technology at Delhi?

Reason(s) for Consideration

Required by State statute.

Proposed Handling

This question will come before the full Board at its February 2018 meeting where it will be voted on and action taken.

Procedural History

At its November 2017 meeting, the State University Board of Trustees adopted a resolution authorizing SUNY College of Technology at Delhi to offer a Bachelor of Science degree.

Background Information

Paragraph (f) of subdivision (2) of §355 of the Education Law authorizes the State University Board of Trustees:

To grant all degrees, diplomas and certificates which heretofore [i.e., July 1, 1948] have been granted or have been authorized to be granted upon the completion of courses of study in any state-operated institution which now is or hereafter may be in the state university, prior to the acquisition of such institution by the state university, and also such other degrees as the regents may hereafter specifically authorize them to grant.

Degree authorization is necessary as the award represents SUNY College of Technology at Delhi's first use of the B.S. degree title. Board of Regents approval of this authorization will allow the registration of acceptable programs leading to the B.S. degree.

At SUNY College of Technology at Delhi, the Trustees are authorized to award the degrees of Associate in Arts (A.A.), Associate in Science (A.S.), Associate in Applied Science (A.A.S.), Associate in Occupational Studies (A.O.S.), Bachelor of Technology (B.Tech), Bachelor of Business Administration (B.B.A.), Bachelor of Science in Nursing (B.S. in Nursing), and Master of Science (M.S.). The College offers programs in the discipline areas of Agriculture, Biological Sciences, Business, Education, Engineering, Health Professions, Humanities, Physical Sciences, and Social Sciences.

An academic review of faculty, curriculum, and other crucial program aspects of the proposed degree program has been completed by the Department. The Department has determined that the proposed degree program meets the standards for registration as set forth in the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education. The College currently offers an Associate degree program in Veterinary Technology and this represents an expansion of this program to a higher degree level.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Regents authorize the SUNY Board of Trustees to award the degree of Bachelor of Science (B.S.) on duly qualified students successfully completing the B.S. program at SUNY College of Technology at Delhi effective February 13, 2018.

Timetable for Implementation

If the Regents approve the degree authorization, the Department will register the program and the institution will proceed to recruit and enroll students.