



THE STATE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT / THE UNIVERSITY OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK / ALBANY, NY 12234

TO: The Honorable the Members of the Board of Regents

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SUBJECT: The State University of New York College of Technology at Delhi: Authorization to Award the Master of Science (M.S.) Degree

DATE: June 16, 2014

AUTHORIZATION(S):

SUMMARY

Issue for Consent Agenda

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

Reason(s) for Consideration

Required by State statute.

Proposed Handling

This question will come before the full Board at its June 2014 meeting where it will be voted on and action taken.

Procedural History

At its January 14, 2014 meeting, the State University of New York Board of Trustees adopted the following resolution:

Resolved that the State University Master Plan be, and hereby is, amended to authorize the State University of New York at Delhi to offer the Master of Science degree in the discipline of the Health Professions; and, be it further

Resolved that the Chancellor be, and hereby is, authorized to transmit this amendment to the Regents and the Governor for incorporation in the State University Master Plan.

The Board of Regents approved a related master plan amendment at its May 2014 meeting.

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.

SUNY has approved SUNY Delhi's request to offer the M.S. degree in Nursing Education. Degree authorization is necessary as the M.S. degree represents the College's first use of the Master of Science degree title. Board of Regents approval of this authorization will allow the registration of acceptable programs leading to the M.S. degree.

At SUNY 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.), and Bachelor of Science in Nursing (B.S. in Nursing). The College offers programs in the discipline areas of the Health Professions, Engineering, Business, and Physical Sciences.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Regents authorize the SUNY Board of Trustees to award the Master of Science degree on students successfully completing registered M.S. programs at SUNY Delhi effective June 24, 2014.

Timetable for Implementation

If the Regents approve the degree authorization, the Department will register the program once the Governor approves the master plan amendment authorizing the M.S. program in Nursing Education.