

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

FROM:

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SUBJECT:

State University of New York at Stony Brook: Regents Authorization to award the Master of Health Administration (M.H.A.) Degree

DATE:

March 2, 2017

AUTHORIZATION(S):

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Issue for Decision (Consent Agenda)

Should the Board of Regents authorize the State University of New York at Stony Brook to award the Master of Health Administration (M.H.A.) degree?

Reason(s) for Consideration

Required by State statute.

Proposed Handling

This guestion will come before the full Board at its March 2017 meeting where it will be voted on and action taken.

Procedural History

On September 14, 2016, the State University of New York Board of Trustees adopted a resolution directing the SUNY Chancellor to seek the authorization of the Board of Regents for the State University of New York at Stony Brook ("Stony Brook") to confer the degree of Master of Health Administration (M.H.A.).

Background Information

The Trustees are currently authorized to confer degrees at the bachelors, masters, and doctoral levels on students successfully completing the respective registered programs at State University of New York at Stony Brook leading to those degrees, including the Master of Arts (M.A.), Master of Science (M.S.), Master of Professional Studies (M.P.S.), and Master of Business Administration (M.B.A.). The Trustees are requesting that the Regents authorize Stony Brook to offer a Master of Health Administration (M.H.A.) program in Health Administration. Master plan amendment is not needed because Stony Brook already offers masters-level programs; however, Regents authorization is required because this will be Stony Brook's first degree program leading to the M.H.A. degree.

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. In addition, the institution had reviews conducted by external experts in the discipline of health administration. The external reviews were positive.

Related Regents Items

N/A

Recommendation

VOTED: That the Board of Regents authorize State University of New York at Stony Brook to award the Master of Health Administration (M.H.A.) degree on students who successfully complete registered programs at the University effective March 14, 2017.

Timetable for Implementation

If the Board of Regents authorizes the State University of New York at Stony Brook to award the Master of Health Administration (M.H.A.) degree, the Department will proceed to register the Health Administration program leading to the Master of Health Administration (M.H.A.) degree and the institution will proceed to recruit and register students.