

CALIFORNIA STATE POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY, POMONA

ACADEMIC SENATE

ACADEMIC PROGRAMS COMMITTEE

REPORT TO

THE ACADEMIC SENATE

AP-008-178

Discontinuation of Autism Spectrum Disorders Added Authorization

Academic Programs Committee

Date: 11/20/2017

**Executive Committee
Received and Forwarded**

Date: 01/24/2018

Academic Senate

**Date: 02/14/2018
First Reading**

BACKGROUND: The Department of Education has put forward a referral for Discontinuation of Autism Spectrum Disorders Added Authorization. This program is no longer necessary, as it was designed to train teachers who had older credentials and needed supplemental training in new state standards. With all of the older teachers now up to standards, and with other teacher training programs already preparing new teachers for these standards, this program is now unnecessary.

RESOURCES CONSULTED:

Deans
Associate Deans
Department Chairs

DISCUSSION:

Before reaching the Academic Programs Committee, this program was reviewed by the Department of Education Curriculum Committee in the College of Education and Integrative Studies, as well as the Dean of the College of Education and Integrative Studies and the Office of Academic Programs. All concerns raised at those levels were addressed. The Academic Programs Committee then conducted campus-wide consultation, as well as its own review of the program. No concerns were raised.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Academic Programs Committee recommends approval of Discontinuation of Autism Spectrum Disorders Added Authorization.

Education			
Status	active		
Hierarchy Entities	Education		
Approval Process Name	K. Other - Discontinuance/Merge/Move Program/Option/Minor/Emphasis/Credential		
Current Step	Office of Academic Programs		
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General Catalog Information			
Department	Education		
Program Name (e.g. Art History, B.A.; Biology, B.S. - General Biology Subplan/Option; History Minor)	Autism Spectrum Disorders Added Authorization		
Importance to the Institution	<p>CPP's online autism authorization program was designed to meet the CTC mandate in 2010 that all teachers who have older special education credentials be trained in autism and earn a specialized authorization in autism spectrum disorders. The program was designed to meet district demand for this authorization. It was developed in collaboration with Extended University. We all knew the program would be time limited; once all teachers in California received the training (whether from CPP or elsewhere), the program would no longer be needed.</p>		
Quality of the Program	Not applicable.		
Efficiency and Demand for the Program	<p>Once all teachers with older credentials earned the autism authorization, demand for the program dropped to almost zero. At that point (2014), it was decided to no longer offer the program; all local teachers had earned the authorization and the need for the program was almost nonexistent.</p>		
Potential effect on the future employment status of faculty and staff in the program	None.		
Plan/Timeline to Close the Program	<p>Program should be closed. Courses for the program have not been offered since 2014. The courses are not part of any other currently offered authorization, credential, or MA program. See attached documentation.</p>		
Steps			
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