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Dear Colleagues:

The attached proposal from the Franklin College of Arts and Sciences to terminate the major in Latin (M.A., Non-Thesis) will be an agenda item for the April 21, 2023, Full University Curriculum Committee meeting.

Sincerely,

Susan Sanchez, Chair

cc: Provost S. Jack Hu Dr. Marisa Pagnattaro

PROPOSAL FOR DEACTIVATION OR TERMINATION OF AN ACADEMIC PROGRAM

Date: <u>January 5, 2023</u>

School/College: Franklin College of Arts and Sciences

Department/Division: Classics

Program (Major and Degree): Latin (M.A., Non-Thesis)

Which campus(es) offer this program? Athens

Deactivation or Termination? <u>Termination</u>

Proposed Effective Date: Fall 2023

Last date students will be admitted to this program: No students are enrolled in this program

Last date students will graduate from this program: Last student completed summer 2022

Program Abstract:

Latin (M.A.) is designed for students who plan to teach Latin at the secondary level. Required courses include surveys of Latin literature, seminars in Latin, and seminars in classical culture. Students may choose additional courses in Greek, Latin, classical civilization, ancient history, archaeology, art, philosophy, linguistics, or other related fields. In lieu of a research thesis, students produce a final teaching project, which can be used in the classroom upon graduation.

1. State the reasons for terminating the program and provide copies of any relevant documents.

The program has not met the minimum number of degrees conferred as set forth by the Board of Regents for the last five years, averaging only one or two graduates per year. There are currently no students enrolled in the program. Undergraduate students interested in pursuing a career in teaching Latin at the secondary school level have several options that were not available when the Latin (M.A., Non-Thesis) degree was initiated, such as the Classics (A.B.)/TESOL and World Language Education (B.S.Ed.) dual degree and the Classics (A.B.)/World Language Education (M.A.T.) Double Dawgs program. These new programs lead to teaching certification upon graduation, whereas the Latin (M.A., Non-Thesis) degree does not. In addition, the Area of Emphasis in Latin under the major in Classical Languages (M.A.) offers students who are already certified Latin teachers the opportunity to focus their research on Latin pedagogy.

- 2. What will be done to minimize the impact of the termination of the program upon the personal and professional lives of the faculty and staff involved? Include specific information on:
 - a) How faculty and staff will be notified of the termination

During a faculty meeting on September 21, 2022, the faculty voted 8 Yes/0 No in support of terminating the program.

b) How faculty and staff will be reallocated.

There are currently no students enrolled in the Latin (M.A., Non-Thesis) program. Termination of the program does not affect faculty or staff assignments.

3. What will be done to ensure that termination of the program does not weaken other programs (graduate, undergraduate, or professional) for which the department may be responsible?

Termination of the program will not affect the major in Classical Languages (M.A.), the Classics (A.B.)/TESOL and World Language Education (B.S.Ed.) dual degree or the Classics (A.B.)/World Language Education (M.A.T.) Double Dawgs program. Enrollments are expected to increase in these programs.

Documentation of Approval and Notification

Proposal: Terminate the major in Latin (M.A., Non-Thesis)

College: Franklin College of Arts and Sciences

Department: Classics

Proposed Effective Term: Fall 2023

Approvals:

• Classics Department Head, Dr. Mario Erasmo, 1/5/23

• Franklin College of Arts and Sciences Associate Dean, Dr. Jean Martin-Williams, 2/21/23

• Graduate School Associate Dean, Dr. Anne Shaffer, 4/6/23