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Dear Colleagues:

The attached proposal from the Mary Frances Early College of Engineering to terminate the major in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (M.A.T.) will be an agenda item for the September 22, 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: November 21, 2022

School/College: Mary Frances Early College of Education

Department/Division: Language and Literacy Education

Program (Major and Degree): Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (M.A.T.)

Which campus(es) offer this program? Athens

Deactivation or Termination? Termination

Proposed Effective Date: Summer 2023

Last date students will be admitted to this program: Spring 2023

Last date students will graduate from this program: Spring 2023

Program Abstract:

Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (M.A.T.) is designed for students who wish to pursue Georgia teacher certification in P-12. The program has a minimum of 36 semester hours of coursework, an end-of-program portfolio, and a departmental conference poster presentation.

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

The content of Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (M.A.T.) is being moved to an area of emphasis in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages under the major in TESOL and World Language Education (M.A.T.). Combining these programs will allow the department to better utilize resources and mirrors the structure of the undergraduate major.

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, and b) how faculty and staff will be reallocated.

There will be no impact on faculty or staff, as the program and all courses will still be offered under the major in TESOL and World Language Education (M.A.T.).

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?

There will be no impact on other programs as this program and all courses will still be offered under the major in TESOL and World Language Education (M.A.T.).

Documentation of Approval and Notification

Proposal: Proposal to terminate the major in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (M.A.T.)

College: Mary Frances Early College of Education

Department: Language and Literacy Education

Proposed Effective Term: Spring 2024

Approvals:

- Language and Literacy Education Department Head, Dr. Allison Nealy, 11/21/22
- Mary Frances Early College of Education Dean, Dr. Denise Spangler, 11/21/22
- Graduate School Associate Dean, Dr. Anne Shaffer, 9/14/23