

Dr. Belle S. Wheelan
President, Commission on Colleges
Southern Association of Colleges and Schools
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Decatur, GA 30033

July 16, 2012

Dear Dr. Wheelan,

I write to notify you of the University of Louisiana at Lafayette's intent to request authority to initiate a new program that constitutes a substantive change: a Master of Science in Kinesiology within the School of Kinesiology in the College of Education. The intended date of implementation is January 16, 2013. The University will submit a full Substantive Change Prospectus at least three months prior to initiation.

The College of education already offers numerous M.S. degrees including counselor education, and a Doctor of Education in Educational Leadership, as well as an M.Ed in Secondary Education which once offered a concentration in kinesiology but, following a College reorganization, no longer does. The program will build on the University's existing B.S. in Kinesiology program and faculty. The Master of Science degree in Kinesiology (KNES) focuses on professional preparation of candidates to develop, administer and implement broad-based programs in one of two concentrations: (1) Exercise and Sport Science or (2) Health Promotion, Recreation and Sport Management. The curriculum includes courses and guided electives offered for each concentration and will offer both online and traditional face-to-face instructional formats. This degree will build on existing programs in the Department of Kinesiology (i.e., Bachelor of Science Degree in Kinesiology with Concentrations in Health and Physical Education, Exercise Science, Health Promotion and Wellness, and Sports Management or the Bachelor of Science Degree in Athletic Training).

Again, a full substantive Change Prospectus will be forthcoming at least three months prior to implementation, together with documented approvals from the University of Louisiana System Board (already obtained) and the Louisiana Board of Regents (pending).

Thank you for your consideration, and please do not hesitate to contact me if I can provide any further information.

Sincerely,

Jordan Kellman
Interim Director

cc. President E. Joseph Savoie
Vice President for Academic Affairs Carolyn Bruder
Dr. Nuria Cuevas, Vice President, SACS-COC



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Substantive Change Letter of Notification**

Name of institution: University of Louisiana at Lafayette

Name of the change proposed: Initiation of a Master of Science in Kinesiology degree Program

Credential(s) involved: Master of Science in Kinesiology

Starting date: January 16, 2013

Closely related programs already approved for the institution:

- Bachelor of Science in Kinesiology
- Master of Science in Counselor Education
- Master of Education in Secondary Education
- Doctor of Education in Secondary Education
- Doctor of Philosophy in Biology