Graduate Curricular Approval Procedures

Concentration or

Certificate

Modification to

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4202 1 General Policy

See- policy.wright.edu- for HLC form for- new certificate	Wright State University (WSU)	Ohio Department of Higher Education (ODHE)	Higher Learning Commission (HLC) Yes, if departing significantly from current programs, acquired from another institution, or falling outside HLC stipulations; otherwise notify HLC after ODHE approval		
New Degree Program	Graduate Curriculum Committee, Faculty Senate, Provost, and Board of Trustees	Yes			
New Educator License or Endorsement and Changes of 50% or more	Graduate Curriculum Committee, Faculty Senate, and Provost	Yes, with public comment period, and for change of 50% or more of program requirements	Not Required		
New Concentration	Graduate Curriculum Committee, Faculty Senate, and Provost	Not Required	Not Required		
New Certificate (HLC form available at above website- under Curriculum- Development and Review)	Graduate Curriculum Committee, Faculty Senate, and Provost courses	Not Required	Yes (Formal approval required if Title IV-eligible, 50% or more new, or departing significantly from current programs.)		
Modification to Program	Graduate Curriculum Committee Faculty Senate, Provost, and Board of Trustees approval required if change is 50% or more of program, which is considered a new program; Deactivation requires Faculty Senate, and Provost	Yes, if program change is 50% or more of degree requirements Submit ODHE deactivation form if deactivating	Not Required Teach-out plan approval required for programs at closed/suspended locations if 100% of the program is offered at that site. Otherwise, HLC must be notified of cancellation or suspension with a teach-out plan.		

Location: New

Graduate Curriculum Committee	Not Required	Not requ ired unle	Approval required if
Deactivation requires Faculty Senate, and Provost approval		ss closi ng a loca	
Graduate Curriculum Committee, Faculty Senate, Provost		tion whe re 100 % of a Title IV- eligi ble certi ficat e is offer ed	

Yes, if in Ohio

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and Existing Programs where 50% or more of requirements are offered (Also applies to Certificates eligible for Title IV funding.) See HLC column for closure and suspension requirements.		New locations require public comment.	number of credit hours changes substantially. Notification required if program is canceled or suspended for more than one semester. Approval of a teach-out program is required for closure/suspension at a given location if 100% of degree or certificate is offered at that location.
50% or more of Degree Program can be completed Online	Graduate Curriculum Committee, Faculty Senate, Provost	Yes Change request should be submitted at least 3 months prior to planned implementation	Notification if 50% or more of required courses can be taken online (a course is defined as online if 75% or more of instruction and interaction occurs with faculty and students separated)
Name Change (degree program, concentration, certificate)	Graduate Curriculum Committee, Faculty Senate, Provost	Yes for degree type (i.e., MA to MFA) or degree name/title	No, unless changing degree type (e.g., MA to MFA)
New or Modified Courses (includes change to distance or flexibly- scheduled delivery mode)	Graduate Curriculum Committee	Not Required	Not Required
Course Location: New international or out-of-state (includes closure/suspension for more than one	Provost	Not Required	Notification if five or more courses/year are offered at the location and the degree is being closed or suspended at that location.

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