

USF Board of Trustees

December 3, 2015

Issue: Program Terminations

Proposed action: Termination of Academic Programs in the USF System

Executive Summary: Proposed termination of:

- BA, MA in American Studies, CIP 05.0102
- BA in Foreign Language Education, CIP 13.1306

The Bachelor's and Master's degrees in American Studies and the Bachelor's degree in Foreign Language Education Program are hereby submitted to the Board of Trustees for termination.

The American Studies Program has seen a declining number of graduates and decreasing enrollment at both the Bachelor and Masters Level. This decline has caused the programs to fall below both USF and BOG thresholds for productivity for several years. By closing the program the department will be able to refocus the current curriculum on more productive programs while freeing faculty time to teach in higher demand areas of Humanities and Cultural Studies. As such, this program has been recommended for termination. No faculty, staff, or students will be affected by this action.

The Foreign Language Education Program has seen a declining number of graduates and decreasing enrollment at the Bachelor Level. This decline has caused the programs to fall below both USF and BOG thresholds for productivity for several years. As such, this program has been recommended for termination. No faculty, staff, or students will be affected by this action.

Financial Impact: No financial impact

Strategic Goal(s) Item Supports: Goal 4: Sound financial management to establish a strong and sustainable economic base in support of USF's continued academic advancement

Workgroup Review Date: Academics & Campus Environment 11/12/15

Supporting Documentation Online (*please circle*): **Yes** No

[Termination of BA, MA American Studies](#)
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USF System or Institution specific: Tampa

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