

Academic Program Proposals for July 28, 2017

The following is a list of academic program proposals being reviewed for possible consideration for approval at the July 28, 2017, Arkansas Higher Education Coordinating Board Meeting.

The Institution's Name, Program Title, and Program Summary are listed below. Contact ADHE for a copy of the proposals.

If you have concerns, objections, questions or comments concerning a specific proposal, please send them to **Dr. Marla Strecker, Senior Associate Director of Academic Affairs & Research** (marla.strecker@adhe.edu) at ADHE no later than **June 1, 2017**.

Arkansas State University (ASU) Nurse Anesthesia Option in the Doctor of Nursing Practice

The Nurse Anesthesia Option in the Doctor of Nursing Practice is a program that will be offered as a post baccalaureate or post master's professional registered nurse (RN) nursing degree. The practice-focused doctoral program will prepare professional RN for the nurse anesthesia role at the highest level of clinical nursing practice. In 2004, the American Associate of Colleges of Nursing (AACN) proposed that the DNP be the entry level for advanced practice nursing. In 2009, the Council on Accreditation of Nurse Anesthesia Education Programs (COA) mandated that all nurse anesthesia programs must be at the doctoral level by 2025. In October 2015, the COA mandated that all accredited programs must offer a doctoral degree for entry into practice by January 1, 2022. Currently, Arkansas State University offers the Master of Science in Nursing with an option in nurse anesthesia. This option will be required to change to the DNP degree plan to be in compliance with the COA's mandate.

Henderson State University Bachelor of Science in Nuclear Medicine Technology

The proposed Bachelor of Science in Nuclear Medicine Technology program is a 136 credit hours program that is a collaboration between Henderson State University (HSU) and Baptist Health Schools – Little Rock (BHSLR). The proposed program will train students as nuclear medicine technologist who perform procedures using dedicated imaging equipment and detectors to perform functional imaging in specialized areas such as nuclear cardiology, PET/CT and general nuclear medicine imaging. Students will complete the first three years on the campus of HSU and the final year at BHSLR. The biology and chemistry programs at HSU will support the proposed program.

To obtain a license to practice as a Radiologic Technologist in Arkansas, the applicant must have successfully completed an approved education program and passed a nationally recognized examination. The Arkansas Department of Health licenses individuals who have successfully passed the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT) examination or the Nuclear Medicine Technology Certification Board (NMTCB) examination.

University of Central Arkansas
Bachelor of Science in Computer Engineering

The Bachelor of Science in Computer Engineering is a 126 semester credit hours program designed to prepare graduates who can develop and adapt computer hardware for applications. The University of Central Arkansas currently offers a Bachelor of Science degree in Computer Science and a Bachelor of Science in Business in Management Information Systems that have a software emphasis with limited exposure to hardware. Software specialists are in high demand; there is an unmet need for graduates in computer engineering who have a greater understanding of hardware systems. Further, existing Bachelor of Science degrees in Computer Science, Mathematics, and Physics will support the proposed program by providing some of the foundation and elective courses. Survey of prospective employers indicate that graduates of the proposed program are projected to be hired for specialized jobs in computer engineering, general computer science and information technology in a broad variety of industries.

University of Central Arkansas
Master of Arts in Sport Management

The proposed Master of Arts in Sport Management is 30 semester credit hour program offered in an executive format as an online only program to enhance the knowledge base of sport management. The program will support students who are currently working and possess the desire to achieve an advanced degree to progress his/her career in the sport industry. Students will obtain knowledge in the sophisticated workings of the management, marketing, leadership, legal, and financial aspects of the sport industry.

Institutional Certification Advisory Committee (ICAC)

The following applications for initial certification may be reviewed by ADHE for possible consideration at the AHECB meeting in July 2017.

Academy of Art University, San Francisco, California

Associate of Arts in Game Development
Bachelor of Architecture
Bachelor of Fine Arts in Art Education
Bachelor of Fine Arts in Fashion
Bachelor of Fine Arts in Illustration
Bachelor of Fine Arts in Photography
Bachelor of Fine Arts in Visual Development
Master of Fine Arts in Animation and Visual Effects
Master of Fine Arts in Fine Art

Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, Daytona Beach, Florida

Associate of Science in Aviation Business Administration
Associate of Science in Aviation Maintenance
Bachelor of Science in Aviation Business Administration
Bachelor of Science in Aviation Maintenance
Bachelor of Science in Aviation Security
Bachelor of Science in Project Management
Master of Aviation Maintenance
Master of Business Administration in Aviation
Master of Science in Leadership
Master of Science in Management Information Systems

Evangel University, Springfield, Missouri

Bachelor of Science in Management
Master of Education in Educational Leadership
Master of Organizational Leadership
Doctor of Education in Curriculum and Instruction

Simmons College, Boston, Massachusetts

Doctor of Nursing Practice

South University, Savannah, Georgia

Associate of Science in Paralegal
Bachelor of Science in Behavioral Science
Bachelor of Science in Public Health

Ultimate Medical Academy, Tampa, Florida

Associate of Applied Science in Healthcare Accounting

University of Southern California, Los Angeles, California

Master of Science in Integrated Design, Business and Technology