

Recommendations of the Committee on Academic Affairs and Licensing

4.02A.1 New License: Charleston School of Law:

The Committee on Academic Affairs and Licensing recommends that the Commission approve licensure for the Charleston School of Law to offer a program leading to the Juris Doctor for three years provided that 1) no "unique cost" or other special state funding be required or requested; 2) the institution discontinue advertising and enrolling students into the program if it becomes apparent that it is unable to meet its timeline to gain ABA accreditation; and 3) in the event that the school, or its officers or agents, should make an attempt to cause the school to become a part of the College of Charleston or any other public institution, the license granted to the school shall be null and void and immediately revoked.

4.02A.2 New License: Charleston School of Building Arts:

The Committee on Academic Affairs and Licensing recommends that the Commission grant approval to the School of Building Arts to advertise and enroll students for classes to begin in Fall 2005 provided that 1) no "unique cost" or other special state funding be required or requested; 2) SoBA submit to the Commission updated material to document compliance with the licensing requirements and the recommendations shown in Attachment 2; and 3) a team visit the Charleston facility in 2005 to confirm compliance.

4.02.B License Renewal: Lesley University:

The Committee on Academic Affairs and Licensing recommends that the Commission renew the license for Lesley University for five years, subject to staff approval of facilities as they are developed, and grant to Lesley University authority to offer two programs leading to the M.Ed. degree in Technology in Education and the M.Ed. in Curriculum and Instruction with specializations in 1) Creative Arts and 2) Literacy: Language, Reading, and Writing.

4.02.C Amendment to License: B.S., Health Care Management, South University

The Committee on Academic Affairs and Licensing recommends that the Commission approve an amendment to the license of South University to add the program leading to the B.S. degree in Healthcare Management to be implemented in Fall 2004.

4.02D New Policy on Dual Enrollment:

The Committee on Academic Affairs and Licensing recommends that the Commission approve the proposed policy on Dual Enrollment for implementation in Fall 2004.

4.02.E By-Laws of Lowcountry Graduate Education Center:

The Committee on Academic Affairs and Licensing recommends that the Commission approve the *Lowcountry Graduate Center Bylaws*, for immediate implementation.

4.02.F.1 Centers of Excellence (Education) Appropriations Request for FY 2005-06:

The Committee on Academic Affairs and Licensing recommends that the Commission approve an appropriations request of \$736,217, an increase of \$50,560, for FY 2005-06 to fund one new Center of Excellence under the program's new *Guidelines*.

4.02.F.2 Centers of Excellence (Education): Guidelines for the Competitive Grants Program, FY 2004-05:

The Committee on Academic Affairs and Licensing recommends that the Commission approve the proposed *Guidelines*.

4.02.F.3 Centers of Excellence (Education) Competitive Grant Awards, FY 2003-04:

The Committee on Academic Affairs and Licensing recommends that the Commission accept the Review Panel's recommendations and approve awards to 1) Francis Marion University to establish the Center of Excellence to Prepare Teachers of Children of Poverty in the amount of \$150,000 and 2) USC-Beaufort to establish the Center of Excellence in Collaborative Learning in the amount of \$133,567, with authority granted to the staff to negotiate final budgets in light of recommendations made by the review panel.

4.02.G State NCATE Partnership Program Reviews for USC-Columbia, USC-Upstate (Spartanburg), and Winthrop:

The Committee on Academic Affairs and Licensing recommends that the Commission grant to the programs in Teacher Education at USC-Columbia, USC-Upstate, and Winthrop the designations presented in Attachment 1 with one change for USC-Columbia (i.e., the M.Ed in Educational Research is changed from "provisional approval" to "full approval").

4.02. H. Annual Report on Compliance with the English Language Fluency Act, FY 2003-04:

The Committee on Academic Affairs and Licensing recommends that the Commission approve this report for transmission to the appropriate chairpersons of the education committees of the General Assembly. (No grievances filed this year.)

4.02.I Report on Program Productivity, Fall 1998-Fall 2003

The Committee on Academic Affairs and Licensing recommends that the Commission approve the program terminations, program provisional approvals, program exemptions, and full approval status of programs as presented in Table I, with one change for USC-Columbia (i.e. the M.Ed. in Educational Research in changed from "provisional approval" to "exemption") and for SC State (i.e., action is deferred on its programs until the University's major internal reorganization is completed, with the University to notify the staff by September 30 as to its program recommendations with any related new or modified program proposals to be submitted shortly thereafter and preferably by December 2004).

4.02. J, K, and L Informational Reports on 1) S.C. Research Incentive Grants Program; 2) Research Centers of Economic Excellence/Endowed Chairs Program; 3) and SC Teaching Scholarship Grant Program

These reports are informational reports about three grant programs staffed by the Academ division and do not require any CHE action.