



University Senate TRANSMITTAL FORM

Senate Document #:	10-11-29
PCC ID #:	10011
Title:	Proposal to Suspend the Bachelor of Science Program in Physical Education
Presenter:	David Salness, Chair, Senate Programs, Curricula, and Courses Committee
Date of SEC Review:	November 17, 2010
Date of Senate Review:	December 8, 2010
Voting (highlight one):	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. On resolutions or recommendations one by one, or 2. In a single vote 3. To endorse entire report
Statement of Issue:	<p>The Department of Kinesiology within the School of Public Health proposes to suspend its Bachelor of Science program in Physical Education. In place of the current Bachelor of Science, Kinesiology plans to offer a Master Certification (MCERT) program in Physical Education. This program will be offered in partnership with the College of Education.</p> <p>Low enrollment is the primary reason for the suspension of the Bachelor of Science in Physical Education. The program currently has a total of 29 students enrolled in the major. The department is in the position of having to offer required courses of only 5 to 10 students. Consequently, the department has determined that it is no longer feasible to offer the program. The department will continue to offer its Bachelor of Science in Kinesiology, which has more than 800 registered students.</p> <p>In order to continue preparing students to become certified teachers in Physical Education for kindergarten through twelfth grade, Kinesiology plans to offer a Physical Education option through the College of Education's Master Certification (MCERT) program. This is a year-long graduate program that will allow students to earn a Master of Education while also fulfilling the requirements to be certified as Physical Education teachers.</p>

	<p>Students currently enrolled in the Bachelor of Science program will be able to finish their B.S. degree in Physical Education. Faculty currently teaching in the B.S. program will have the choice to relocate into teaching in the Kinesiology major or in the new MCERT program.</p> <p>The Senate PCC committee unanimously approved the proposal at its November 5, 2010 meeting. The Academic Planning Advisory Committee approved the proposal in the fall of 2009.</p>
Relevant Policy # & URL:	
Recommendation:	The Senate Committee on Programs, Curricula, and Courses recommends that the Senate approve this program suspension.
Committee Work:	The Committee considered the proposal at its November 5, 2010 meeting. Dr. Ana Palla-Kane, Director of Undergraduate Programs in Kinesiology, was present to discuss the proposal and answer questions.
Alternatives:	The Committee could decline to approve this program suspension.
Risks:	If the Senate does not approve this suspension, the Department of Kinesiology will have to continue to provide an unfeasible academic program for a small number of students.
Financial Implications:	The plan to suspend the Bachelor of Science in Physical Education and implement the MCERT program will save money for the Kinesiology Department and is part of the School of Public Health's financial reallocation proposed by Dean Gold to the Provost.
Further Approvals Required: <i>(*Important for PCC Items)</i>	If the Senate approves this proposal, it will still require approval by the President, the Chancellor, and the Maryland Higher Education Commission.

**THE UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND, COLLEGE PARK
PROGRAM/CURRICULUM/UNIT PROPOSAL**

- Please email the rest of the proposal as an MSWord attachment to pcc-submissions@umd.edu.
- Please submit the signed form to the Office of the Associate Provost for Academic Planning and Programs, 1119 Main Administration Building, Campus.

PCC LOG NO.

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College/School: School of Public Health

College/School Unit Code-First 8 digits: 01203300

Unit Codes can be found at: https://hypprod.umd.edu/Html_Reports/units.htm

Department/Program: Department of Kinesiology/ B.S. in Physical Education

Department/Program Unit code-Last 7 digits: 1330501

Type of Action (choose one):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Curriculum change (including informal specializations) | <input type="checkbox"/> <i>New academic degree/award program</i> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Renaming of program or formal Area of Concentration</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> New Professional Studies award iteration |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Addition/deletion of formal Area of Concentration</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> New Minor |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>Suspend/delete program</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Other |

Italics indicate that the proposed program action must be presented to the full University Senate for consideration.

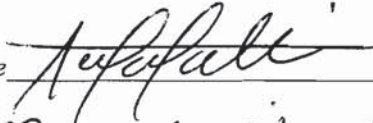
Summary of Proposed Action:

The Department of Kinesiology is requesting the suspension of the Bachelor of Science in Physical Education (major code: 08350). Please refer to letter attached for rationale on this request.


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APPROVAL SIGNATURES - Please print name, sign, and date. Use additional lines for multi-unit programs.

1. Department Committee Chair: *Dr. Ana Palla-Kane*



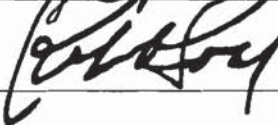
2. Department Chair: *Dr. Brad Hatfield*



3. College/School PCC Chair: *Dr. Amy Sapkota*

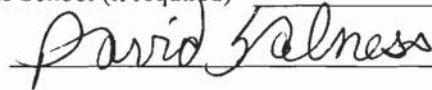


4. Dean: *Dr. Robert Gold*



5. Dean of the Graduate School (if required)

6. Chair, Senate PCC



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7. University Senate Chair (if required)

8. Vice President for Academic Affairs & Provost

Dear Dr. Betsy Beise,

The Department of Kinesiology is requesting the suspension of the 4-year Bachelor of Science in Physical Education. We are committed to continuing to offer a quality professional preparation program in Physical Education preparing students for certification to teach Physical Education to students in grades Kindergarten to 12th grade. In place of the BS in Physical Education we will offer a Master Certification program (MCERT) in Physical Education.

Dr. Robert Gold and the faculty in the department of Kinesiology support the request for suspension of the Bachelor of Science in Physical Education (major code: 08350) due to the following reasons:

I. Program low enrollment and budget reallocation.

The B.S. in Physical Education currently has 34 students enrolled in the program. Enrollment has dramatically decreased in the past two years and, as of this Fall 2010, we have only admitted only one new freshman into the program. This general low enrollment in the major has resulted in low enrollment in all the major required courses.

a. Budget Implications for the School of Public Health and Department

Low enrollment has had implications for the budget at the department and school levels. The department budget has been compromised by offering required courses as part of the undergraduate program curriculum with very low enrollment (5-10 students). The current and predicted comparative cost of the program has determined that it is not feasible to continue offering the undergraduate program.

The plan to suspend the B.S. in Physical Education and to implement the MCERT program is part of the SPH financial reallocations proposed by Dr. Gold to the Provost.

b. Current students and faculty

The Department of Kinesiology has the structure to guarantee that current students in the undergraduate program (n=34) will be guaranteed the opportunity for completion of the undergraduate degree at UMD (i.e., required coursework, internship, professional requirements).

Appointments of faculty currently teaching in the BS in Physical Education will not be affected. They will have the choice to relocate into teaching in the Kinesiology major or in the new MCERT program.

II. Implementation of Master Certification Program in Physical Education

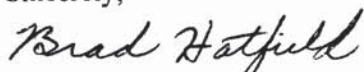
After the suspension, the B.S. program will be replaced by the MCERT program. The goals of the professional preparation program in physical education are directly aligned with the mission of the School of Public Health, College of Education and the Department of Kinesiology. In Summer 2011 we will begin offering a Master Certification Program in Physical Education (MCERT). This is a year-long master's certification program offered in partnership with the College of Education (<http://www.education.umd.edu/EDCI/MCERT/>).

Freshman and transfer students interested in becoming a physical education teacher may complete the B.S. in Kinesiology and then have the opportunity to apply for the one-year MCERT program in Physical Education. Students presently in the B.S. in Physical Education will be notified of the new masters program and they will have the option to graduate with the B.S. in Physical Education or pursue the MCERT program.

We are certain this is the right initiative to continue to deliver a quality physical education teaching certification program to contribute to the mission of our school and attend to the needs of our community and students. We request that the Bachelor of Science in Physical Education be suspended beginning on January 1st 2011.

Please contact me if you need additional information.

Sincerely,



Bradley D. Hatfield, Ph.D.
Professor and Chair

Subject: suspension of BS in Physical Education teacher education
From: Stephen M Koziol <skoziol@umd.edu>
Date: Fri, 8 Oct 2010 10:32:18 -0400
To: "Elizabeth J. Beise" <beise@umd.edu>, Kathleen Ann Angeletti <kangel@umd.edu>, Ana Palla-Kane <anapalla@umd.edu>

Dear Betsy,

The College of Education supports the proposed suspension of the Bachelor's degree option in Physical Education Teacher Education. The planned transition to graduate options is the wise and appropriate action to take.

Stephen Koziol
Associate Dean
College of Education