PROGRAM TERMINATION FORM
Board of Governors, State University System of Florida

UNIVERSITY: University of North Florida

PROGRAM NAME: Master of Science in Applied Sociology

DEGREE LEVEL(S): M.S. CIP CODE: 45.1101
(Ph.D., Ed.D., etc) (Classification of Instructional Programs)

ANTICIPATED TERMINATION DATE: The program has been suspended since 2008 - no students have been accepted into the program since that time; there are currently no students enrolled in this program.
(Last date that students will be accepted into program)

ANTICIPATED PHASE-OUT DATE: Spring 2011
(Last date that data will be submitted for this program)

1. Provide a narrative rationale for the request to terminate the program.

Briefly put, at a time when greater stewardship of limited resources is more important than ever, retaining a program that requires faculty and institutional resources, when that program serves a relatively small set of students, may be unwise. This has been the case with the Applied Sociology program, and while the future may hold an unforeseen potential of a growing market, the history of this program does not suggest such a potential market would reveal itself. In addition to this, the MSAS program was constructed at a time when the Department of Sociology and Anthropology had a cadre of faculty members whose professional interests and expertise lay in applied sociology. Due to retirements and promotions to administrative positions, this is no longer the case. When a recent Board of Governors-mandated program review was conducted, the external consultant advised us that continuing to mount a graduate degree program in the absence of a faculty professionally-focused on the area was a decidedly uphill battle. Due to the absence of a robust market of students, the absence of a faculty whose
primary identity is that of being applied sociologists, and lack of resources needed to remedy the shortcomings cited by the external review, it is recommended that the MSAS program at UNF be terminated.

3. Indicate on which campus(es) the program is being offered and the extent to which the proposed termination has had or will have an impact on enrollment, enrollment planning, and/or the reallocation of resources.

The MSAS was offered at the main campus of the University of North Florida. The program currently has no students enrolled in it. Some modest savings will be realized as compensation in the form of course releases for the MSAS Graduate Program Director will cease.

4. Provide an explanation of the manner in which the University intends to accommodate any students or faculty who are currently active in the program scheduled to be terminated. State what steps have been taken to inform students and faculty of the intent to terminate the program?

Admissions to the MSAS program were arrested during the summer of 2008. Applicants who might seek to apply to UNF's MSAS program are counseled by the Graduate School and encouraged to consider applying to another social-scientific programs such as Criminal Justice or Psychology. Faculty members who have taught in the MSAS program will devote their instructional attention to undergraduate sociology students; no other impact to faculty is anticipated.

5. Provide data (and cite source) on the gender and racial distribution of students and faculty. For faculty also list the rank and tenure status of all affected individuals.

There are no students in the program. The MSAS Graduate Program Director, Dr. Krista Paulson, is a tenured associate professor and a white female. The Department Chair, Dr. Adam Shapiro, is a tenured associate professor and a white male. The department has two additional applied sociologists who contributed in the past toward offering courses for the program; both are tenured full professors and both are white males: Dr. Jeff Will and Dr. David Jaffee.

6. Identify any potential negative impact of the proposed action on the current representation of females, minorities, faculty, and students.

The representation of females and ethnic minorities in the MSAS program mirrored the average of such representation across most graduate programs in the College of Arts and Sciences. As applicants to the MSAS program would seek entry to other COAS graduate degree programs, the population representation should remain constant.
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Signature of Requestor/Initiator
David Fenner (COAS Associate Dean)

Signature of Campus EO Officer
Cheryl Gonzalez

Signature of College Dean
Barbara Hetrick

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Mark Workman

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Major: Applied Sociology
Degree: Master of Science

Prerequisites (6 Credits)
Select one Methods or Statistics from:
SYA 3300 Logic of Inquiry
STA 2014 Elem Stat for Health & Soc Sci Majors
SYA 4010 3 Sociological Theory

Major Requirements (15 Credits)
Students must apply to graduate by the published deadline during their final semester.
Grades of “B” or better are required in all graduate courses.
SYA 6125 3 Dev Social Theory
SYA 6305 3 Quantitative Research Methods I
SYA 6455 3 Quant Rsch Methods II
SYA 6315 3 Qualta Rsch Methods
SYA 6657 3 Eval & Prog Analysis

Major Electives
All courses must be completed with grades of “B” or better. Select thesis or non-thesis options. Thesis or applied practicum option: Select 12 credits of major electives. Non-thesis option:
Select 18 credits of major electives
SYA 6126 Contemporary Social Theory
SYA 6308 Population Analysis
SYA 6909 Directed Independent Study
SYA 6938 ST: Sociology
SYA 6941 Practicum in Applied Sociology
SYD 6426 Urban Sociology
SYD 6515 Environment & Society
SYD 6605 Community & Society
SYD 6706 Race Relations
SYO 6535 Social Stratification
SYO 6545 Organizations & Work
SYP 4561 Child Abuse & Incest
SYP 6448 Social Change & Development
SYP 6667 Sociology of Culture
SYP 6668 Analysys of Subculture Perspective
SYP 6735 Sociology of Aging

Exit Requirement (6 Credits)
Select from the following options.
1. Thesis option (must take six credits of thesis).
Requires consent of graduate director.
SYA 6975 3-6 Master Thesis; or
2. Non-thesis option Requires a written comprehensive exam and consent of graduate director; or
3. Practicum option (must take six credits of practicum)
Requires consent of graduate director.
SYA 6941 Practicum in Applied Sociology