

**RESOLUTION
FROM THE ULM FACULTY SENATE
TO THE
UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA SYSTEM BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OPPOSING
REVISIONS TO PROGRAM DISCONTINUANCE AND NOTIFICATION POLICIES**

Whereas the Board of Regents has identified programs for termination across the state, and targeted 212 programs within the UL System with 32 of those programs at the University of Louisiana at Monroe, and

Whereas said programs are making appeals that argue the senselessness of such cuts as counterproductive, artificially cost-savings, and undermining of the quality, integrity, and accessibility of higher education to its constituents, and

Whereas some programs may be saved by strong appeal arguments, -- through Board or Administrative interventions, and/or the reorganizing, combining, or consolidation of said "low completer programs" with currently "satisfactory completer number" programs, and

Whereas curriculum and academic standards oversight falls within the purview and responsibility of the Faculty Senate,

Let it hereby be resolved that in keeping with recommendations made to the University of Louisiana Board of Supervisors by the Faculty Advisory Council, such decisions of program discontinuance or restructuring shall be made only after consultation with the faculty in the academic program to be discontinued or re-aligned; that there shall be faculty participation from academic programs considered for possible discontinuance or re-alignment, with documented efforts made to review and discuss proposals with the members in the department or program, students enrolled in the program, the department chair and area coordinators, the dean of the school or college, or schools/colleges directly affected, and vice president for academic affairs.

ULM Faculty Senate
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