



TO: The Honorable Members of the Board of Regents
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SUBJECT: Master Plan Amendment Applications
DATE: July 3, 2024
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SUMMARY

Issue for Decision (Consent)

Should the Board of Regents approve the proposed master plan amendment applications?

Reason for Consideration

Required by State Statute (Education Law section 237).

Proposed Handling

This issue will come before the Full Board for action at its July 2024 meeting.

Procedural History

Not applicable.

Background Information

When a college or university seeks to expand its academic mission (e.g., by offering a degree at a new level of study or in a new disciplinary area or establishing a new branch campus), it must submit a master plan amendment application for review and approval by the Board of Regents. Depending upon the nature of the proposed programs that require the master plan amendment, the application will be submitted to either the Department's Office of Higher Education or Office of the Professions. The Regents must approve an amendment of an institution's master plan before the institution can undertake the proposed activities.

An academic review of the proposed master plan amendments has been completed by the Department. The Department determined that the proposed programs meet the standards for registration set forth in the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education.

If charter amendments are also necessary (e.g., to establish a new branch campus), they are indicated on the summary table and the charter amendment is included in the Charter Applications item on the Full Board agenda.

Related Regents Items

Not applicable.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Regents take the following action:

VOTED: That the Board of Regents approves the master plan amendment applications on the attached summary table.

Timetable for Implementation

If the Board of Regents approves the master plan amendments, the Department will register the proposed programs, and the institution will proceed to enroll students.

Master Plan Amendments Summary Table

Name of Institution	Program Area	Location	Description of Master Plan Amendment
Albany College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences	OCUE	Albany, NY	<p>Authorization to offer the following programs, each leading to the Bachelor of Science (B.S.) degree award:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Psychology • Forensic Psychology • Forensic Science <p>A master plan amendment is required because the proposed programs will be the institution's first bachelor's programs in the disciplines of Social Sciences and Physical Sciences.</p> <p>The programs were proposed by the College as a result of the closure of The College of St. Rose.</p>
D'Youville University	OP	Buffalo, NY	<p>Authorization to offer a program in Clinical Psychology leading to the Doctor of Psychology (Psy.D.) degree award. A master plan amendment is required because the proposed program will be the institution's first doctoral-level program in the discipline of Social Sciences.</p> <p>A related charter amendment is also on the July Regents agenda.</p>