

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**UNIVERSITY OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**  
**UDC RESOLUTION 2014- \_\_\_\_\_**

**SUBJECT: Termination of Academic Programs**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to D.C. Code §38-1202.06 (3), the Board of Trustees is authorized to establish or approve policies and procedures governing admissions, curricula, programs, graduation, the awarding of degrees, and general policy for the components of the University; and

**WHEREAS**, the University leadership, under the direction of the Board of Trustees, embarked on a formal re-visioning and planning process entitled “2020 Vision: A Roadmap for Renewal, Innovation, Success & Sustainability” (commonly known as the “Vision 2020” process) March 2013; and

**WHEREAS**, representatives from the University’s various constituencies, including students, alumni, faculty, staff, administrators, and Trustees closely examined the University’s operations and proposed recommendations for the direction of the institution between March and August 2013; and

**WHEREAS**, the University’s Interim Provost, as part of the Vision 2020 process, developed and proposed an Academic Plan in collaboration with faculty, departmental chairs, and deans that was presented to the Faculty Senate in September 2013; and

**WHEREAS**, three public hearings were held in early November 2013 to solicit community feedback on the preliminary Vision 2020 recommendations, including the elimination of certain programs, and more than 80 representatives from the University community provided their input; and

**WHEREAS**, the Interim Provost amended the proposed Academic Plan in response to certain issues raised at the three public hearings on the Vision 2020 recommendations; and

**WHEREAS**, the Faculty Senate and the Faculty Association (NEA) provided a formal response to the proposed Academic Plan in November 2013; and

**WHEREAS**, the University, has completed a comprehensive analysis of its academic programs and has identified a number of academic programs that have low internal or external demand, do not produce consistent positive outcomes, are not current, require resources not presently available, or display other indicia of under-performance or lack of relevancy;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Trustees approves the elimination of each of the academic programs identified below, provided that such eliminations are carried out

by the President in a way that is consistent with University rules and regulations required for the discontinuation:

1. Graphic Communication Technology (AAS);
2. Sociology (BA)
3. Mass Media (BA)
4. Graphic Design (BA)
5. Physics (BS)
6. Math Statistics (MS)
7. History (BA)
8. Special Education (MA)
9. Marketing (BBA)
10. Finance (BBA)
11. Procurement and Public Contracting (BBA)
12. Economics (BA)
13. Management Information Systems (BBA)
14. Nutrition (Food Science) (BS)
15. Environmental Science (General) (BS)
16. Environmental Science (Water Resources) (BS)
17. Environmental Science (Urban Sustainability) (BS)

Approved by Board of Trustees:

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Elaine Crider

Chairperson, Board of Trustees

Date