February 28, 2014

MEMORANDUM

TO: Presidents
   Provosts and Vice Presidents of Academic Affairs

FROM: Ephraim P. Smith
       Executive Vice Chancellor and Chief Academic Officer

SUBJECT: Extended Reporting Deadline: Trustees Title 5 Changes to Baccalaureate Degrees

With appreciation for all of the efforts put forth toward reducing total baccalaureate degree units, I am writing to offer an extension to March 31, 2014 for campuses that have not yet submitted all reports or exception requests. We understand that some programs have had to defer curriculum adjustments until accreditation processes were complete; while other campuses have been working on campuswide efforts to make adjustments. Additionally, we have found that some campus submissions lacked an academic rationale for the exceptions requested, and we are asking for resubmission in such cases.

For bachelor’s degree programs requiring more than 120 semester (180 quarter) units, campuses are required to submit an exception request accompanied by a completed worksheet and curriculum map. Templates are enclosed. Campuses that have previously submitted an exception request but no curriculum map are asked (by March 31, 2014) to submit a curriculum map depicting the skills and knowledge required of graduates— and the learning opportunities for developing these outcomes across the required major, general education, American Institutions, and campus-required courses. Curriculum maps help to ensure a fair and consistent process for all campuses, and we appreciate the effort invested by all involved.

The following programs remain defined separately in Title 5, retain the 120-unit minimum requirement, and are subject to the unit maxima specified below:

- Bachelor of Architecture (BArch) 150 semester units
- Bachelor of Landscape Architecture (BLA) 150 semester units
- Bachelor of Fine Arts (BFA) 132 semester units
- Bachelor of Music (BM) 132 semester units

Please direct any questions to Dr. Christine Mallon, Assistant Vice Chancellor, Academic Programs and Faculty Development. Chris may be reached at cmallon@calstate.edu or (562) 951-4672.
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