Contact Name: Tim Carens Email: Carenst@cofc.edu Phone: 3-5658

Department Name: English Graduate Program name: M.A.

Course Prefix, Number, and Title:
ENGL 516 Continental Literature
ENGL 530 Special Topics in Humanities
ENGL 557 Creative Writing--Poetry
ENGL 563 Creative Writing--Fiction
ENGL 570: Topics in African American literary genres
ENGL 571: Topics in African American literary periods
ENGL 572: Topics in Major African American Writers
ENGL 650 Principles of Literary Research

I. CATEGORY OF REVIEW (Check all that apply)

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☐ Approve for Cross-listing (attach Graduate Permission to Cross-list Form)

Date (Semester/Year) the course will first be offered, course changes or deletion will go into effect: Fall 2016
IV. RATIONALE / JUSTIFICATION: If course change – please indicate the course change details. If course change or deletion—please provide reasons for change(s) to or deletion of a course. If a new course—briefly address the goals/objectives for the course and the relationship to the strategic plan.

The courses listed above have not been offered in many years, if ever, and there is no likelihood that they will be offered in the foreseeable future.

VII. IMPACT ON EXISTING PROGRAMS and COURSES: Please briefly document the impact and expected changes of this new/changed/deleted course on other departments, programs and courses; if deleting a course—list all departments and programs that include the course; if adding/changing a course—explain any overlap with existing courses in the same or different departments; if adding or deleting a course that will be part of a joint program identify the partner institution.

The deletion of the courses listed above will have no perceptible impact on the English M.A. program. As noted above, the courses have not been offered in many years and their deletion is thus not likely to inconvenience students in the program. Should a faculty member want to teach one of these courses in the future, he or she might easily use one of the many available special topics courses the first time and then, if the faculty member’s interest in the course continues, revive one of the decommissioned courses if necessary.

The decision to cut these courses was made together by the Co-Directors of the joint M.A. program and our suggestions were approved by both English Departments. I have attached a letter endorsing the deletions from the Chair of the English Department at The Citadel.
From: James Hutchisson <hutchisson@citadel.edu>
Date: Monday, March 14, 2016 4:08 PM
To: Timothy Carens <carenst@cofc.edu>
Subject: Course deletions

Dear Tim,

Your proposal to delete the referenced courses and the African-American concentration in the MA in English joint program has been received, and the Department of English here fully supports these changes.

Professor David Allen, head of the department, will send you a formal letter with his endorsement.

Sincerely,

James M. Hutchisson
Professor of English and Co-Director, Joint MA Program
The Citadel
171 Moultrie Street
Charleston, SC 29409
IX. APPROVAL AND SIGNATURES

Signature of Program Director: 

Date: 2/15/16

Signature of Department Chair: 

Date: 2/15/16

Signature of Additional Chair*:

Date: 2/15/16

Signature of Schools' Dean: 

Date: 3/10/16

Signature of Additional Schools' Dean*:

Date: __________

Signature of the Provost: 

Date: __________

Signature of Budget Director/Business Affairs Office: 

Date: __________

*For interdisciplinary courses

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Signature of Chair of the Faculty Committee on Graduate Education, Continuing Education & Special Programs:

Date: 3/8/16

Signature of Chair of the Graduate Council:

Date: 3/28/16

Signature of Faculty Senate Secretary:

Date: __________

Date Approved by Faculty Senate: __________
Contact Name: Tim Carens   Email: carenst@cofc.edu   Phone: 3-5658

Department and School Name: HSS / English
Name and Acronym of Graduate Program: ENGL African American “Concentration” (actually a track or emphasis)

Date (Semester/Year) changed/deleted program will take effect: Fall 2016

I. CATEGORY OF REVIEW (Check all that apply)

☐ Change Request (attach details):
  ☐ Add existing course or courses to requirements or electives
  ☐ Add new course(s) to requirements or electives (complete and attach COURSE FORM for each)
  ☐ Delete courses from requirements or electives
  ☐ Add new emphasis (check one):  ☐ concentration  ☐ track  Total # of hours:
  (note: any emphasis involving more than 18 credit hours will also require CHE approval)

☒ Terminate Program (check one):  ☐ Degree  ☐ Certificate  ☒ Emphasis (concentration/track)
(if checked, skip section II, IV, V, and VII below)

Are students currently enrolled in the program?  ☐ Yes  ☒ No
If yes, what semester will students complete the program?

If the program termination includes deleting courses from the inventory, a COURSE FORM must be included with this form for each course deletion.

☐ Interdisciplinary (attach evidence of acknowledgement from relevant departments)

III. RATIONALE or JUSTIFICATION

For changes or termination, please provide a detailed justification. For a new emphasis, briefly address the goals/objectives for the new emphasis, provide evidence of student interest (i.e., has the program offered special topics courses in this area? has the program interviewed student focus groups as part of an internal assessment? etc.), and explain how the emphasis supports the liberal arts tradition and the mission of the institution.
The joint M.A. in English program proposes to delete the African American concentration. The African American concentration is an excellent idea that can hopefully be revived at some point in the future. Historically, though, it has attracted very little student interest and has never been possible to complete.

The English Departments of the College of Charleston and The Citadel together offer a single course in African American literature once every 3 or 4 semesters. The “standard option” of the concentration requires at least 9 credit hours of African American literature courses. The “thesis option” requires at least 6 credit hours. Neither of these options is thus be possible to complete within the standard time for completing the degree (2 years).

VI. IMPACT ON EXISTING PROGRAMS and COURSES Please briefly document the impact of this changed/deleted program or new emphasis on other programs and courses; if changing/deleting a program—list all programs that will be impacted (and how); if adding a new emphasis—explain any overlap with existing programs or courses in the same or different departments.

The deletion of the African American concentration will, on paper, diminish the choices available to students completing the M.A. in English. This choice, however, as explained above, has only ever been a theoretical one. The joint program has never offered enough courses in African American literature to enable a student to complete the concentration.

The decision to delete this concentration was made together by the Co-Directors of the joint M.A. program and our suggestion was approved by both English Departments. I have attached a letter endorsing the deletion from the Chair of the English Department at The Citadel.

Is this changed/deleted program used by others? ☐ Yes ☒ No
If yes, please provide a letter of support in each case.
VIII. APPROVAL and SIGNATURES

Signature of Program Director:

signature: Z Carver  Date: 2/15/16

Signature of Department Chair:

signature: H Brugh  Date: 2/15/16

Signature of School Dean:

signature:  Date: 2/18/16

Signature of the Provost:

signature:  Date: 3/9/16

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Signature of Faculty Senate Secretary:

Date: 

Date Approved by Faculty Senate: 

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