



SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF REGENTS
ACADEMIC AFFAIRS FORMS
Program Termination or
Placement on Inactive Status

Use this form to request termination or inactive status for an existing program (graduate program, undergraduate major or minor, certificate, or specialization). The Board of Regents, Executive Director, and/or their designees may request additional information about the proposal. After the university President approves the proposal, submit a signed copy to the Executive Director through the system Chief Academic Officer. Only post the form to the university website for review by other universities after approval by the Executive Director and Chief Academic Officer.

UNIVERSITY:	NSU
DEGREE(S) AND PROGRAM:	BSEd Biology
CIP CODE:	13.1322
UNIVERSITY DEPARTMENT:	Science and Mathematics
BANNER DEPARTMENT CODE:	NSCM
UNIVERSITY DIVISION:	College of Arts and Sciences
BANNER DIVISION CODE:	5A-College of Arts and Sciences

University Approval

To the Board of Regents and the Executive Director: I certify that I have read this proposal, that I believe it to be accurate, and that it has been evaluated and approved as provided by university policy.



President (or Designee) of the University

4/29/2024

Date

1. Program Degree Level (place an "X" in the appropriate box):

Associate Bachelor's Master's Doctoral

2. Category (place an "X" in the appropriate box):¹

Certificate Specialization Minor Major

3. The program action proposed is (place an "X" in the appropriate box):²

Inactive Status Termination
See question 4 *See questions 5 and 6*

¹ Note: Certificates, specializations, and minors may only be terminated and not placed on inactive status due to limitations in the student information system.

² Note: An inactive program is a program a university has authority to offer, but the program is not admitting new students and has not formally terminated. A presumption exists that inactive status is a temporary status; universities review inactive programs periodically to determine the feasibility of reactivating or terminating the program. Programs can remain inactive for five (5) consecutive years at which time a university must terminate the program. A terminated program is a program for which a university ceases to have authority to offer. Reinstatement of a terminated program requires university and BOR approval through the prescribed new program approval processes.

4. INACTIVE STATUS

A. Provide a justification for inactivating the program:

Retooling of the BSEd secondary education degree program by the Millicent Atkins School of Education to include a teaching pathway for a dual-degree program emphasis of content and secondary education (BA/BS + BSEd) supports the Biology program's intent of providing students with more in-depth knowledge of content while also pursuing their Education program requirements. Moving from a BSEd Biology option to a dual-degree option transcripts both degrees, which allows future employers to see the extent of the student's preparation in both areas. Additionally, the dual-degree option opens up additional career paths as students may pursue teaching, graduate school, curriculum development, educational administration, tutoring, educational publishing in their content area, and more. Students interested in pursuing a BSEd in Biology would select the School of Education's BSEd Secondary Education Dual-Degree Emphasis and would receive a BS in Biology and a BSEd in Secondary Education.

B. If there are current students in the program, what are the implications of placing the program on inactive status?

There will be no negative impact on students. All required courses and electives will be offered in pertinent rotation. Northern will provide a teach-out of the current BSEd Biology program that will allow current students to complete their degree in a timely manner. Current students will also have the option to change to the new catalog and declare the BSEd Secondary Education Dual-Degree Emphasis to receive a BS in Biology and a BSEd in Secondary Education.

C. What is the last date (day/month/year) by which a student can graduate in the program?

30 May 2028

D. What is the proposed date (day/month/year) inactive status takes effect (the proposed date for inactive status is also the last date a student may enroll in or declare the program)?

1 August 2024

5. TERMINATION WITH ENROLLED STUDENTS

A. Provide a justification for terminating the program:

B. What is the plan for completion of the program by current students?

C. What is the proposed date (day/month/year) program termination status begins (program status in the database changes to *Phasing Out* and last date a student may enroll in or declare the program)?

- D. What is the last date (day/month/year) in which a student may enroll in the program (program status in the database changes to *Phase Out*)?**
- E. What is the last term or date (day/month/year) by which a student can graduate from the program?**
- F. What are the potential cost savings of terminating the program and what are the planned uses of the savings?**
- G. What are the resulting employee terminations and other possible implications including impact on other programs?**

6. TERMINATION WITHOUT ENROLLED STUDENTS

- A. Provide a justification for terminating the program:**
- B. What is the proposed date (day/month/year) for the program to terminate (program status in the database changes to *Deleted*)?**
- C. What are the potential cost savings of terminating the program and what are the planned uses of the savings?**
- D. What are the resulting employee terminations and other possible implications including impact on other programs?**