

Request to Disestablish/Merge a Degree Program

Program Name	B. S. in Business Administration
CIP Code	
College	W. P. Carey School of Business
University	Arizona State University
Date of Request	October 26, 2009
Background	<p><i>History of program, years in place, factors that let to request</i></p> <p>The program has been in place for 10 years, having been approved by ABOR in 1999, its first students were admitted for Fall 1999. From 1999 to 2006, the program was a part of East College on the ASU East/Polytechnic) campus. In 2006, it was merged into the newly-renamed Morrison School of Management and Agribusiness which expanded its mission to encompass both business administration and agribusiness. In 2009, the Morrison School became a unit of the W.P. Carey School of Business.</p>
Rationale	<p><i>Rationale for the change</i></p> <p>Concurrent with its merger into the W.P. Carey School, the Morrison School adopted a mission based solely on agribusiness while the responsibility for the B.S. in Business Administration degree courses was absorbed by other departments. Additionally, the B.S. programs in the W.P. Carey School have been aligned with the academic departments and thereby focused on the specific disciplines and functional areas of business. Competitive admission requirements have also been established for the degrees. Students who previously enrolled in the B.S. in Business Administration degree with its general rather than business-discipline focus, and who are not qualified for or are not interested in the other B.S. degrees, now have the B.A. in Business degree, with an array of concentrations, available to them.</p>
Review process	<p><i>Review process at institution for determining to disestablish</i></p> <p>In its review of the curriculum, the Undergraduate Programs Committee in the W.P. Carey School of Business determined that students could be served effectively with the other B.S. degrees and the B.A. degrees and without the B.S. in Business Administration.</p>
Numbers of Students Affected/ Plans for Current Students	<p><i>Est. of numbers of students still enrolled; anticipated date of last graduates; arrangements for continuing students.</i></p> <p>The estimated number of students currently enrolled (Fall 2009) is 598. Anticipated date of last graduates is Spring Semester 2013 graduation. Current students will be informed of the need to complete all graduation requirements by Spring 2013. Students not graduating then will be advised of other options, such as transferring into one of the several B.A. in Business degrees or applying for acceptance into one of the B.S. degree programs.</p>

Impact on Department/Institution	<p><i>Could include Availability of course content for students in other majors who may need it; faculty displacement; other.</i></p> <p>Because of the availability of newly-created business degree programs, the disestablishment of the B.S. in Business Administration will have minimal impact on the department, the school, and the university. Further, course availability will not be affected mainly because the degree does not include a unique set of courses. Instead, it has utilized courses taught by other departments, which will continue to be offered by those departments. Because course offerings are not affected to any great extent, faculty teaching assignments will not be affected and as such no faculty displacement will occur.</p>
Budgetary Impact	<p><i>Will there be a cost savings with this change?</i></p> <p>Cost savings due to this change are largely the indirect-cost savings resulting from the efficiencies of advising students and preparation of advising and tracking materials and processes, and printing recruitment brochures.</p>

Approved by the Faculty Council, W. P. Carey School of Business on December 2, 2009

Approved: Amy Hillman
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