TEXAS STATE UNIVERSITY
PROGRAM DELETE FORM

Administrative Information

1. Program Name: Mediation Certificate

2. Description: The Mediation Certificate Program is a one-course program offered by the Department of Political Science through its graduate-level Legal Studies Program. Currently, students who complete POSI 5376 (Alternative Dispute Resolution), which is offered as an elective in the Legal Studies Program, are awarded a certificate by the university. Because students typically enroll in the course as part of the Legal Studies Program or another graduate program, it is no longer necessary to maintain the program as its own certificate program. Instead, the Legal Studies Program will continue to offer the course but issue a certificate prepared by the department to reflect completion of the course.

3. Program CIP Code: 22.03

4. Proposed Effective Date: Fall 2016

5. Contact Person: Provide contact information for the person who can answer specific questions about the program.

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6. Required Reviews:

- **Department Faculty**
- **Department Curriculum Committee**
- **Department Chair**
- **College Curriculum Committee**
- **College Council**
- **College Dean**
- **Dean of The Graduate College**
- **Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs**
- **University Curriculum Committee**
- **Faculty Senate**
- **Council of Academic Deans**
- **Provost**
- **President**
- **Texas State University System Board of Regents**
- **Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board**
- **Southern Association of Colleges and Schools**

Program Information

I. Students affected by the closure/deletion:

A. Are there students currently enrolled in the program? If yes, how many? What is the expected date of completion or graduation from the program? Have those students been notified of the closure/deletion? How have they been notified and explain the options provided for those students.

No students are currently enrolled in the program as a stand-alone program. There are currently 13 students enrolled in POSI 5376 (Alternative Dispute Resolution), the one course that comprises this certificate program. Each of these students is concurrently enrolled in a graduate degree program. These students will not be affected because the deletion of the program will occur after the completion of this current semester. All current and incoming students will be notified by email that, beginning fall 2016, completion of POSI 5376 will no longer result in a university-issued certificate. Instead, the department will acknowledge successful completion of the course with a department-issued certificate of completion, which will not appear on the student's transcript. The program will also update its website, catalog, brochures, and all marketing materials to reflect the change.

B. Are students still being admitted in the program? Or when were the last students admitted in the program?

POSI 5376 (the course that comprises this certificate program) has already been included in the course schedule for next semester (spring 2016), and students who are already enrolled in a graduate degree program will be allowed to enroll in the course. They will not be affected by the change because the program deletion will take effect fall 2016. All program materials will reflect the change before students begin enrolling for fall 2016.

II. Faculty affected by the closure/deletion:

A. Will any faculty be reassigned because of the closure/deletion?

No.

B. Please explain how faculty have been engaged throughout the decision to close the program?

Faculty have been engaged throughout the decision to close the program through formal discussions in faculty meetings and individual discussions with faculty, including the faculty member who designed and currently teaches the course.

III. Staff affected by the closure/deletion:

A. Will any staff be reassigned because of the closure/deletion?

No.

IV. Courses affected by the closure/deletion:

A. Will any courses need to be deleted? If yes, submit the Course Deletion Form along with the Program Delete Form. If the courses to be deleted are outside the originating department/school, a Course Deletion Form from those areas is required to be attached to the Program Delete Form.

No.

V. Low Productivity Report:

A. Has this program been identified on the state's Low Productivity Report? If yes, please explain the cause(s) of low productivity and any actions that were taken to attempt to increase enrollments and graduation rates.

No.

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Signature Page

1. *I hereby certify that the above program closure(s) and deletion(s) have been approved in accordance with the procedures outlined in rules, regulations and policies at the Texas State University System Board of Regents, the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board and the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.*

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Chief Executive Officer Date

2. Board of Regents Approval – A member of the Board of Regents or designee shall sign the following statement:

   On behalf of the Board of Regents, I certify that the Board of Regents has approved the above program closure(s) and deletion(s).

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Board of Regents (or Designee) Date