

UNIVERSITY SENATE
UNIVERSITY AT ALBANY
STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK

Introduced by: UAC

Date: March 23, 2015

**Request to deactivate and discontinue the Puerto Rican Studies Major in the Department
of Latin American, Caribbean & U.S. Latino Studies**

IT IS HEREBY PROPOSED THAT THE FOLLOWING BE ADOPTED:

1. That this takes effect for the Fall 2015 semester.
2. That this proposal be forwarded to President Robert J. Jones for approval.

Please complete Parts I, II and III.

Part I. REQUEST

Specify the request for approval by checking (X) the appropriate box(es).

- Deactivate a program:** The institution will not accept new students into the program as of the deactivation effective date entered in the table in Part II. The institution will contact the SUNY Provost at program.review@suny.edu within three years of the deactivation effective date to officially discontinue or reactivate the program.
- Deactivate and Discontinue a program:** The institution will not accept new students into the program as of the deactivation effective date entered in the table in Part II, and all continuing students will have completed the program by the later discontinuance effective date entered in the table in Part II. *NOTE: If a campus finds that all continuing students will not have completed the program by the discontinuance effective date in the table in Part II, the campus will contact the SUNY Provost at program.review@suny.edu to revise the discontinuance effective date.*
- Discontinue a program:** The institution is prepared to discontinue the program on the discontinuance effective date entered in the table in Part II, at which time there will be no students enrolled in the program.

Part II. PROGRAM LIST

Complete the table below, expanding it as needed for more programs.

PROGRAM TITLE	AWARD (E.G., B.A.)	SED PROGRAM CODE	HEGIS CODE	DEACTIVATION EFFECTIVE DATE	DISCONTINUANCE EFFECTIVE DATE
1. Puerto Rican Studies	BA	02943	0399	Beginning of fall 2015 semester	Beginning of fall 2015 semester
2. Puerto Rican Studies/Information Science	BA/MA	28850	0399	Beginning of fall 2015 semester	Beginning of fall 2015 semester
3. Puerto Rican Studies/Library Science	BA/MA	83045	0399	Beginning of fall 2015 semester	Beginning of fall 2015 semester
4. Puerto Rican Studies/Business Administration	BA/MBA	91222	0399	Beginning of fall 2015 semester	Beginning of fall 2015 semester
5. Puerto Rican Studies/Law	BA/JD	89185	0399	Beginning of fall 2015 semester	Beginning of fall 2015 semester

Part III. REASON(S) FOR REQUEST(S)

Provide reason(s) for requesting each deactivation and/or discontinuance. Address local, regional and System impact and, if applicable, describe any extenuating circumstances that may require additional accommodations for enrolled students (e.g., providing a teach-out agreement with another institution).

The Department of Latin American, Caribbean and U.S. Latino Studies (LACS) is seeking the deactivation of the major in Puerto Rican Studies. This major was established in the late 1970s and remained a feature of the curriculum when the program offerings in Latin American and Caribbean Studies were reconstituted as the LACS Department in the 1980s. Since that time, the scholarly terrain of the field (Latin American, Caribbean and U.S. Latino Studies) in the U.S. academy has significantly broadened, and the program in the LACS Department has reflected this more comprehensive intersection of area, ethnic, and hemispheric studies that examines Latin America, the Caribbean, and U.S. Latinos. In other words, the scholarly enterprise that began decades ago as Puerto Rican Studies has had to develop in order to reflect and account for the

increasing diversity of the Latino presence and therefore the Latino experience in the United States. This significant demographic and geo-cultural shift has produced a broader, more comprehensive scholarly context in which to study the Puerto Rican experience. In light of such changes, a major in Puerto Rican Studies is no longer as academically accurate and sound a representation of the field of study as it used to be. The much more appropriate framing for such scholarship, even when the primary focus is the Puerto Rican experience, is the major in Latin American, Caribbean and U.S. Latinos Studies. For this reason, the LACS Department proposes the deactivation and discontinuance of the major in Puerto Rican Studies.

Respectfully,

Glyne A. Griffith, Ph.D.

Associate Professor of English and LACS,
LACS Director of Undergraduate Studies.

Departmental and School/College Enrollment, including UG second majors (therefore not a unique headcount). Excludes graduate students' secondary programs. Excludes minors. Intended majors are counted as "campus wide".
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 includes UAlbany Home Institution Students only
 e run: 11/13/2014

school/College name	Dept Name	Acad Program Descr	Degree Level Descr	Acad Plan Descr	Fall 2007 Department Count	Spring 2008 Department Count	Fall 2008 Department Count	Spring 2009 Department Count	Fall 2009 Department Count	Spring 2010 Department Count	Fall 2010 Department Count	Spring 2011 Department Count	Fall 2011 Department Count	Spring 2012 Department Count	Fall 2012 Department Count	Spring 2013 Department Count	Fall 2013 Department Count	Spring 2014 Department Count	Fall 2014 Department Count			
Total overview of selection criteria																						
College of Arts Sciences	Latin American Caribbean & US Latino St		Bachelors	LAS-BA	Latin American Studies	26	23	22	27	27	27	23	17	18	23	22	19	17	20			
				LAS-XMAJ	Latin American Studies	4	5	3	4	4	4	6	10	12	10	14	11	14	12	14	9	
				LAS-XMAUH	Latin American Studies-Honors				1													
				subtotal				30	28	26	27	27	35	33	29	28	37	33	33	29	34	24

Term Descr is equal to Fall 2007, Fall 2008, Fall 2009, Fall 2010, Fall 2011, Fall 2012, Fall 2013, Fall 2014, Spring 2009,
 Spring 2010, Spring 2011, Spring 2012, Spring 2013, Spring 2014

and Primary Plan Indicator is equal to 1, 0

and Degree Level Descr is equal to Bachelors

and Dept Name is equal to Latin American Caribbean & US Latino St

and Higher Education History Code is not equal to / is not in 8

and Current Flag is equal to / is in 1

and system_filter_enrolled

and Acad Plan Type is not equal to / is not in Minor

and Admissions Category is not equal to / is not in 10

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College of Arts and Sciences Course and Program Action Form Proposal No. 14-134

Please check one: Course Proposal Program Proposal

Please mark all that apply:

<input type="checkbox"/> New Course	Revision of:	<input type="checkbox"/> Number	<input type="checkbox"/> Description
<input type="checkbox"/> Cross-Listing		<input type="checkbox"/> Title	<input type="checkbox"/> Prerequisites
<input type="checkbox"/> Shared-Resources Course		<input type="checkbox"/> Credits	
<input type="checkbox"/> Deactivate/Activate Course (boldface & underline as appropriate)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (specify):	Deactivation of Puerto Rican Studies Major

Department: LACS Effective Semester, Year: Fall 2015

Course Number Current: _____ New: _____ Credits: _____

Course Title: _____

Course Description to appear in Bulletin:

N/A

Prerequisites statement to be appended to description in Bulletin:

N/A

If S/U is to be designated as the only grading system in the course, check here:

This course is (will be) cross listed with (i.e., CAS ###): _____

This course is (will be) a shared-resources course with (i.e., CAS ###): _____

Explanation of proposal:

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Other departments or schools which offer similar or related courses and which have certified that this proposal does not overlap their offering:

N/A

If this proposal is for an interdisciplinary program, please indicate the Department where the major/minor will be housed:

Chair of Proposing Department (TYPE NAME)	Administrative Manager or Department Secretary (TYPE NAME)	Date
Pedro Caban	Librada Pimentel-Whitaker	12/16/14
Approved by Chair(s) of Department(s) having cross-listed course(s) [Copy of e-mail approval(s) on following page.]	Dean of College	Date
	Kathleen Gersowitz	2/4/15
Chair of Academic Programs Committee	Dean of Undergraduate or Graduate Studies	Date
Marlene Belfort		2/4/15

December 4, 2014

To: Whom It May Concern
From: Glyne A. Griffith,
Director of Undergraduate Studies, LACS Department
Re: Proposal to deactivate and discontinue the LACS major in Puerto Rican Studies.

Using the Business Intelligence System a query was run on 12/3/14 to verify that there are no current majors in Puerto Rican Studies. We found that in Fall 2012 there were two intended majors. One of the students voluntarily withdrew from the University on 8/16/14 and the other changed his major to LACS on 1/23/13. Therefore we know that there are currently no students in the pipeline to major in Puerto Rican Studies and the LACS Department has had no such majors for close to a decade now. In addition, I include 2007 to 2014 data on declared majors in LACS indicating that during this seven-year period there were absolutely no declared majors in Puerto Rican Studies. As such, deactivation of this major will have no impact on any registered students.

Respectfully Submitted,



Glyne A. Griffith, Ph.D.

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Proposal Title:

College or School: **Department:**

Program Director or Sponsor: Glyne A. Griffith **e-mail:** ggriffith@albany.edu

Action Category	<input type="checkbox"/> Program Proposal	Does this proposal include any space resource implications?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (describe)	Approximate sq. ft. needed:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Action Type	<input type="checkbox"/> New		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Revision	Program has been identified as a	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Deactivation	Gainful Employment Program (GEP)	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (describe)		

Brief Description of Proposal:

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Impact on Other Programs:

The proposer had consulted the following service units:

- ITS
- the University Library
- Other

and it has been jointly determined that there will **won't** be a fiscal impact of the proposed program on the service agency. Please attach letters of collaboration/support from impacted programs.

Faculty and Staff

- a) Describe new faculty hiring needed during the next 3 years
- b) Explain how program will be administered for the purposes of admissions, advising, course offerings, etc. Discuss the available support staff

N/A

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS					
		(1)	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
Projected Expenditures (In home department and other affected units)					
Faculty (2)	From Existing Sources				
	From New Sources				
Administrative Staff (2)	From Existing Sources				
	From New Sources				
Clerical Staff (2)	From Existing Sources				
	From New Sources				
Equipment, Supplies, etc.(3)	From Existing Sources				
	From New Sources				
Student Support	From Existing Sources				
	From New Sources				
Facilities	From Existing Sources				
	From New Sources				
Total Projected Expenditures					
Projected Capital Expenditures					
Capital Facilities	From Existing Sources				
	From New Sources				
Capital Equipment	From Existing Sources				
	From New Sources				
Total Projected Capital Expenditures					

APPROVALS

Department Chair <u>Pedro Cabán</u>	<u>12/2/14</u>
Dean _____	Date _____
UPPC Chair _____	Date _____

INSTRUCTIONS

When submitting a program proposal to the University Senate Policy and Planning Council, please submit this form whether or not the proposal involves resource implications.

If the proposal indicates space requirements, this information will be shared with the Office of Campus Planning.

Completed forms should be sent to the attention of the chairperson of UPPC.

It is the sponsoring department's responsibility to obtain all required signatures before presenting the documentation to the council. The chair may request additional supporting documentation prior to review by the entire council. You will be notified when your proposal is on the UPPC agenda, and will be invited to attend the meeting.

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- (1) Out years projections should be calculated to include inflation of 3% per year
 - (2) Include fringe on personnel that are paid out of an IFR account
 - (3) Include any equipment, supply, travel, telecom, postage, etc. items that are not a capital expense