



ARKANSAS TECH UNIVERSITY

Request for Program Deletion (CERTIFICATE, DEGREE, OPTION, EMPHASIS, CONCENTRATION, or MINOR)

Department Initiating Proposal	Date
Teaching and Educational Leadership	2-12-25

Title	Signature	Date
Department Head	<i>Pam Dixon</i>	2-14-25
Dean	<i>Tim Carter</i>	2/17/25
Assessment	<i>Amanda Burch</i>	2/18/25
Registrar	<i>Sammy Brewer</i>	2/21/25
Graduate College (if appropriate)		
Vice President for Academic Affairs	<i>Adolf Senter</i>	4/1/25

Committee	Approval Date
General Education Committee (Undergraduate Proposals Only)	
Teacher Education Committee (Graduate or Undergraduate Proposals)	
Curriculum Committee (Undergraduate Proposals Only)	
Faculty Senate (Undergraduate Proposals Only)	
Graduate Council (Graduate Proposals Only)	

Program Title:
MED K-12 Literacy

LETTER OF NOTIFICATION

Program Deletion

Deletion of a certificate, degree program, option, or organizational unit. Degree programs and certificates can be deleted with enrolled students. However, institutions must have a phase-out plan for those students. Deleted programs and certificates will be removed from the Approved Programs List during the academic year in which the deletion takes effect.

Required Information:

1. Current degree/certificate/option/unit title
Master in Education in K-12 Literacy

2. Degree code
5825

3. CIP code
13.1315

2. Effective date, term, and academic year

January 1, 2026, Spring, 2025-26

4. Reason for deletion and teach out plan

With only one student expected to graduate in Fall 2025, the program is underutilized, making it less cost-effective to continue offering it at its current level. If enrollment numbers are steadily decreasing, maintaining a program that primarily benefits one student can be seen as inefficient. Also, school districts may no longer compensate teachers for gaining a master's degree which may cause less teachers to enroll.



Faculty Senate

February 20, 2025

Dr. Bradley, Chair of ATU Graduate Council

Cc: Mrs. Tammy Weaver, Registrar

Cc: Dr. Tracy Cole, Dean School of Business and Economic Development

Cc: Dr. Tim Carter, Dean School of Education and

Dear Dr. Bradley,

The ATU Faculty Senate has heard a report from EVPAA Dr. Santos on a request for consideration of a program elimination of the M.S. degree in Health Informatics and the MEd degree in K-12 Literacy. The ATU Faculty Senate requests your committee meet to discuss this proposal and then forward your committee's response to myself so this information can be shared with the full Faculty Senate body. I would expect that Deans Cole and Carter would forward a program deletion form and associated documentation for your consideration. Your documentation would need to be received by March 4, 2025 for consideration for inclusion on the March Faculty Senate Agenda. Thank you.

Dr. Thomas E. Nupp

Chair ATU Faculty Senate