

**THE STATE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT** / THE UNIVERSITY OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK / ALBANY, NY 12234

###### Change or Adapt a Registered Program[[1]](#footnote-1)

Use this form to request program changes that require approval by the State Education Department (see chart on the following page). For **programs that are registered jointly** with another institution, all participating institutions must confirm support for the changes.

This application should **NOT** be used for the following types of requests:



* Proposals for new programs
* Requests for changes to registered programs preparing Teachers, Educational Leaders, and Other School Personnel
* Requests for changes to programs preparing Licensed [Professionals](http://www.op.nysed.gov/prof/); or
* Requests to add the Distance Education Format to a Registered Program

(**Note:** If the only requested change is to add the distance education format to an existing registered program, institutions need only complete and submit the [Application to Add the Distance Education Format to a New or Registered Program](http://www.highered.nysed.gov/ocue/aipr/HET-DE-March2015.docx).)

The application materials for requests for changes to registered programs preparing Teachers, Educational Leaders, and Other School Personnel or Licensed Professionals can be found at:

<http://www.highered.nysed.gov/ocue/aipr/register.html>

For requests to changes to Doctoral programs: please [contact](http://www.highered.nysed.gov/ocue/contact.htm) the Office of College and University Evaluation (OCUE).

**Directions for submission of request:**

1. Create a ***single*** PDF document that includes the following completed forms:

* Request to Change or Adapt a Registered Program
* Master Plan Amendment Supplement and Abstract (if applicable)
* External Review of Certain Degree Programs and Response (if applicable)
* [Application to Add the Distance Education Format to a New or Registered Program](http://www.highered.nysed.gov/ocue/aipr/HET-DE-March2015.docx), (if applicable).

2. Create a separate PDF document for any required syllabi (see p. 2 of form, Changes in Program Content)

3. Attach the PDF documents to an e-mail.

4. Send e-mail to [**OCUERevAdmin@nysed.gov**](mailto:OCUERevAdmin@nysed.gov)

When submitting to the mailbox, include the following elements in the subject line of the e-mail:

Institution Name, Degree Award, and Program Title

E.g., Subject: AAA College, Request for Change, Master of Science, English Literature

| **Changes and Adaptations Requiring State Education Department Approval** |
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| **Changes in Program Content** (all programs)   1. *Any* of the following substantive changes:  * Cumulative change from the Department’s last approval of the registered program of one-third or more of the minimum credits required for the award (e.g., 20 credits in an associate degree program) * Changes in the program’s focus or design (e.g., eliminating management courses in a business administration program), including a change in the program’s major disciplinary area * Adding or eliminating an option or concentration * Eliminating a requirement for completion, including an internship, clinical, cooperative education, or other work-based experience * Altering the liberal arts and science content in a way that changes the degree classification, as defined in Section 3.47(c)(1-4) of [Regents Rules](http://www.highered.nysed.gov/ocue/lrp/rules.htm) |
| **Other Changes** (all programs)   1. Program title 2. Program award (e.g., change in degree) 3. Mode of delivery (**Note**: if the change involves adding a **distance education format** to a registered program, please complete the [Application to Add the Distance Education Format to a New or Registered Program](http://www.highered.nysed.gov/ocue/aipr/HET-DE-March2015.docx).) 4. Discontinuing a program 5. A format change that alters the program's financial aid eligibility (e.g., from full-time to part-time, or to an abbreviated or accelerated semester) 6. A change in the total number of credits of any certificate or advanced certificate program |
| **Establishing New Programs Based on Existing Registered Programs**   1. Creating a dual-degree program from existing registered programs 2. Creating a new program from a concentration/track in an existing registered program |

PLEASE NOTE:

Establishing an existing program at a new location requires new registration of the program. If the requested action changes the program’s major disciplinary area, master plan amendmentmay be needed if the revised program represents the institution’s first program in that major subject area, at that degree level. If a requested **degree title** is not authorized for an institution chartered by the Board of Regents, charter amendment will be needed.

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| Request to Change or Adapt a Registered Program | |
| **Item** | **Response** *(type in the requested information)* |
| **Institution name and address** | *Additional information*:   * Specify campus where program is offered, if other than the main campus: |
| **Identify the program you wish to change** | Program title:  [Award](http://www.highered.nysed.gov/ocue/lrp/rules.htm) (e.g., B.A., M.S.):  Credits:  [HEGIS code](http://www.highered.nysed.gov/ocue/aipr/guidance/gpr19.html):  [Program code](http://www.nysed.gov/heds/IRPSL1.html): |
| **Contact person for this proposal** | Name and title:    Telephone: Fax: E-mail: |
| **CEO** (or designee) **approval**  *Signature affirms the institution’s commitment to support the program as revised.* | Name and title:  Signature and date: |
| If the program will be registered jointly[[2]](#footnote-2) with another institution, provide the following information: |
| Partner institution’s name:  Name and title of partner institution’s CEO:  Signature of partner institution’s CEO: |

* For **programs that are registered jointly** with another institution, all participating institutions must confirm their support of the changes.

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| **Check all changes that apply and provide the requested information.** |
| Changes in Program Content *(Describe and explain all proposed changes; provide a side-by-side comparison of the existing and newly modified programs.)* |
| [ ] Cumulative change from the Department’s last approval of the registered program that impacts one- third or more of the minimum credits required for the award (e.g., 20 credits in an associate degree program)  [ ] Changes in a program’s focus or design  [ ] Adding or eliminating an option or concentration  [ ] Eliminating a requirement for program completion  [ ] Altering the liberal arts and science content in a way that changes the degree classification, as defined in Section 3.47(c)(1-4) of [Regents Rules](http://www.highered.nysed.gov/ocue/lrp/rules.htm)  **If new courses are being added as part of the noted change(s)**, provide a syllabus for each new course and list the name, qualifications, and relevant experience of faculty teaching the course(s). Syllabi should include a course description and identify course credit, objectives, topics, student outcomes, texts/resources, and the basis for determining grades. |
| Other Changes *(describe and explain all proposed changes)* |
| [ ] **Program title** |
| [ ] **Program award** |
| [ ] **Mode of** **Delivery** (**Note**: if the change includes adding a **distance education format** to a registered program, please complete the [Application to Add the Distance Education Format To a New or Registered Program](http://www.highered.nysed.gov/ocue/aipr/HET-DE-March2015.docx).) |
| [ ] **Discontinuing a program**: indicate the date by which the program will be discontinued.[[3]](#footnote-3) |
| [ ] **Format change** (e.g., from full-time to part-time, or to an abbreviated or accelerated semester)   1. Indicate proposed format: 2. Describe availability of courses and any change in faculty, resources, or support services: 3. Use the Sample Program Schedule in the [Application for Registration of a New Program](http://www.highered.nysed.gov/ocue/aipr/gaproposal.html) to show the sequencing and scheduling of courses in the program. 4. If the revised program will be offered through a nontraditional schedule, provide a brief explanation of the schedule, including its impact on financial aid eligibility. 5. Confirm that for each (one) credit there is at least 15 hours (of 50 minutes each) of instruction and at least 30 hours of supplementary assignments. |

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| Establishing New Programs Based on Existing Registered Programs |
| [ ] **Creating a dual-degree program** from existing registered programs   1. Complete the following table to identify the existing programs:  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | |  | **Program Title** | **Degree Award** | **Program Code** | | Program 1 |  |  |  | | Program 2 |  |  |  |  1. Proposed dual-degree program (title and award):[[4]](#footnote-4) 2. Courses that will be counted toward both awards: 3. Length of time for candidates to complete the proposed program: 4. Use Task 3: Sample Program Schedule from [Application for Registration of a New Program](http://www.highered.nysed.gov/ocue/aipr/gaproposal.html) to show the sequencing and scheduling of courses in the dual-degree program. |
| [ ] **Creating a new program from a** **concentration/track in an existing program**.  If the new program is based ***entirely*** on existing courses in a registered program, provide the current program name, program code, and the following information:  **Note**: this abbreviated option applies only if a master plan amendment is NOT required ***and*** there are no new courses or changes to program admissions and evaluation elements. If these conditions are not met, submit a new registration application for the proposed program.     1. Information from the [Application for Registration of a New Program](http://www.highered.nysed.gov/ocue/aipr/gaproposal.html):  * Task 1 and Task 2a * Task 3 - Sample Program Schedule * Task 4 - Faculty information charts (full-time faculty, part-time faculty, and faculty to be hired)  1. Brief description of the proposed program and rationale for converting the existing coursework to a separately registered program: 2. Expected impact on existing program: 3. Adjustments the institution will make to its current resource allocations to support the program: 4. Statement confirming that the admission standards and process and evaluation methods are the same as those in the existing registered program. |

**Note**: if the change involves **establishing an existing registered program at a new location**, complete a new registration application for the proposed program.

1. **CUNY and SUNY** institutions: contact System Administration for Request for Change submission process. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. If the partner institution is non-degree-granting, see CEO Memo 94-04 at http://www.highered.nysed.gov/ocue/documents/ceo94-04.pdf [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. If any students do not complete the program by the proposed termination date, the institution must request an extension of the registration period for the program or make other arrangements for those students. [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
4. Only candidates with the capacity to complete the requirements of both degrees shall be admitted to a dual-degree program. [↑](#footnote-ref-4)