

Certification Form for New Bachelor's and Master's Programs Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board

Directions: An institution shall use this form to request a new bachelor's or master's degree program that meets all criteria for approval in Coordinating Board Rules, Chapter 5, Subchapter C, Section 5.44:

- (a) The program has institutional and governing board approval; (b) the program complies with the *Standards for Bachelor's and Master's Programs*; (c) adequate funds are available to cover the costs of the new program; (d) new costs during the first five years of the program will not exceed \$2 million; (e) the program is a non-engineering program (i.e., not classified under CIP code 14); and (f) the program will be offered by a university or health-related institution.

If a new bachelor's or master's program does not meet the criteria above, an institution must submit a request using the *Form for Requesting a New Bachelor's and Master's Degree Program*.

Information: Contact the Division of Academic Quality and Workforce at 512/427-6200 for more information.

Administrative Information

1. **Institution:** Sam Houston State University
2. **Program Name:** Bachelor of Science with a major in Environmental Science
3. **Proposed CIP Code:** 03.0104.00 (Environmental Science)
4. **Number of Required Semester Credit Hours (SCHs)**¹: 120 Semester Credit Hours
5. **Administrative Unit:** College of Science and Engineering Technology
6. **Delivery Mode:** Face-to-Face
7. **Implementation Date:** January 1, 2018
8. **Contact Person:**

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¹ Bachelor's degrees should not exceed 120 SCH per Board rule 5.44 (a) (3). Those that exceed 120 SCH must provide detailed documentation describing the compelling academic reason for the number of required hours, such as programmatic accreditation requirements, statutory requirements, or licensure/certification requirements that cannot be met without exceeding the 120-hour limit.

Signature Page

I hereby certify that all of the following criteria have been met in accordance with the procedures outlined in Coordinating Board Rules, Chapter 5, Subchapter C, Section 5.44:

- (a) The program has institutional and governing board approval.
- (b) The program complies with the *Standard's for New Bachelor's and Master's Programs*.
- (c) Adequate funds are available to cover the costs of the new program.
- (d) New costs during the first five years of the program will not exceed \$2 million.
- (e) The program is a non-engineering program (i.e., not classified under CIP code 14).
- (f) The program will be offered by a university or health-related institution.

I hereby certify that my institution has notified all public institutions within 50 miles of the teaching site of our intention to offer the program at least 30 days prior to submitting this request. I also certify that if any objections were received, those objections were resolved prior to the submission of this request.

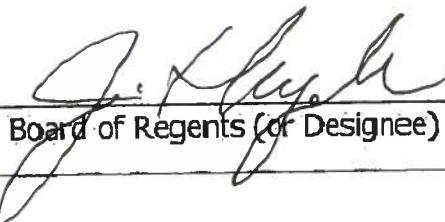


Chief Executive Officer

5-11-17
Date

I hereby certify that the Board of Regents has approved this program.

Date of Board of Regents approval: _____



Board of Regents (or Designee)

6-5-2017
Date