New Program Development Process per THEC Policy A 1.0

TSU seeks approval of Letter of Intent from Faculty and VPAA

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TSU Notifies Board of Trustees of proposed program

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1 TSU prepares & submits *Letter of Notification* (LON) to THEC Staff

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2 THEC Staff Evaluates *Letter of Notification (LON)*
(THEC Staff will also consider comments from "interested parties")

→ Not Supported or Deferred for Revision

1) Not aligned with state master plan and institutional mission
2) Need not justified for institutional allocation/reallocation of state resources
3) Not sustainable employment for future graduates
4) Institutional commitment to funding is insufficient to demonstrate program is a priority
5) Institution does not have the capacity to deliver program with existing and proposed resources

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Approved or Conditionally Approved for Development

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TSU prepares *New Academic Program Proposal*
Note: increased Feasibility Study expectations

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Proposal reviewed by:
1) Department Curriculum Committee
2) College Curriculum Committee
3) University Curriculum Committee
4) Vice President for Academic Affairs
5) University President

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3 TSU submits Proposal to THEC Staff along with proposed reviewers for approval at the time the campus seeks to schedule an *External Review/Judgment*

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4 *External Judgment*
(External reviewer(s) will provide a written report to THEC & TSU)

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5 *Post-External Judgment*
(THEC Staff reviews TSU's response to issues identified by the external reviewer(s) and makes a determination)

→ Not Supported or Deferred for Revision by THEC Staff

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If deferred by THEC Staff, TSU may submit a revision to the program proposal and seek further external review or rescind

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Supported by THEC Staff for Board Action

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6 *TSU Board of Trustees Action*

→ Not Supported or Deferred for Revision

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Supported and forwarded to Commission for consideration

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7 *THEC Commission Action*

→ Not Supported

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Supported
TSU can advertise program, and enroll students*

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8 *Post-Approval Monitoring*

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*SACSCOC approval may be required.