



John R. Kasich, Governor
Jim Petro, Chancellor

University System of Ohio
Board of Regents

BACKGROUND AND RECOMMENDATION

DEFIANCE COLLEGE

Adolescence-to-Young Adult (7-12) Life Sciences

Request:

Defiance College requests continuing approval for an undergraduate program of study leading to an Adolescence-to-Young Adult License (7-12): Life Sciences.

Accreditation/Authorization:

The Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association (HLC) regionally accredits the institution until the next review in 2013. The National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) accredits Defiance College's educator preparation program at the undergraduate and graduate levels until its next review in 2015.

Background:

Defiance College, located in Defiance, Ohio is a private, non-profit university of nearly 1100 undergraduate and graduate students in associate, baccalaureate and masters degree programs. The College was originally founded in 1850 as the Defiance Female Seminary. It became known as Defiance College in 1903 and is affiliated with the United Church of Christ.

Defiance College's program meets all National Science Teacher Association standards as well as additional standards of the Ohio Department of Education and the Ohio Board of Regents. Students completing this program are eligible to teach all areas of life sciences for students in grades 7-12. The program also ensures that students meet the state's requirements for the teaching of reading (three semester hours) and any additional requirements established by the state.

Recommendation:

Defiance College's continuing undergraduate program of study leading to Adolescence-to-Young Adult (7-12) License in Life Sciences meets the Chancellor's requirements for academic programs and the State Board of Education's minimum standards. There were no major concerns identified in the review. Approval is recommended for Defiance College's continuing undergraduate level program until the next professional accreditation review. In addition, it should be noted that the program is subject to periodic review by the Chancellor to ensure that the standards for Ohio licensure continue to be met.

End of Comment Period: December 20, 2012
No Comments Received, Recommend Approval

RECOMMENDATION

The Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs has verified that this institution has met the standards and requirements of the Ohio Board of Regents.

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12-20-12

Stephanie Davidson, Vice Chancellor, Academic Affairs

Date

APPROVED

Jim Petro

12-21-12

Jim Petro, Chancellor

Date

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