



November 15, 2024

Dr. Donde Ashmos Plowman
Chancellor
The University of Tennessee, Knoxville
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Dear Dr. Plowman:

Thank you for submitting the following substantive change:

Substantive change:

Program Closure

Graduate Certificate in Sustainable Design

Submission date:

8/28/2024

Intended Implementation date:

8/19/2020

Case ID:

SC028317

SACSCOC requested additional information via email on October 4, 2024. The institution's response on October 14, 2024 was added to the record and is reflected in the narrative below.

At the time the decision to close was made, few students were enrolled in the Graduate Certificate in Sustainable Design. The decision to close the current program was made in February 20, 2022.

The students were given options for completing their program with minimal disruption. No courses were eliminated; therefore, all students were able to complete their program of study.

The institutional community was informed of the closure. Current students were able to complete all courses required for their program of study; therefore no notification was needed. The Graduate Certificate in Sustainable Design was never advertised or used for recruitment; therefore, prospective students will not need to be informed. The institution continues to offer the Graduate Certificate in Sustainable Design as a concentration in the Master of Architecture program. Should any prospective student express an interest in the program, they will be directed to the Master of Architecture. Faculty and staff were informed by participation in the decision to close the method of delivery.

No students will incur additional costs.

No faculty or staff will be impacted by this closure.



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The Board of Trustees of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges approves the late closure of the Graduate Certificate in Sustainable Design.

Should you need assistance, please contact Dr. J. Matthew Melton at (404) 994-6553 or via email at mmelton@sacscoc.org.

Please include the Case ID number above in all submissions or correspondence about this substantive change.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Belle S. Wheelan".

Belle S. Wheelan, Ph.D.
President

BSW:TBB/sb

cc: Dr. Heather G. Hartman, Associate Vice Provost for Institutional Effectiveness, The
University of Tennessee, Knoxville
Dr. J. Matthew Melton, Vice President, SACSCOC