



January 17, 2025

Dr. Donde Ashmos Plowman
Chancellor
The University of Tennessee, Knoxville
800 Andy Holt Tower, 1331 Circle Park Drive
Knoxville, TN 37996-0180

Dear Dr. Plowman:

Thank you for submitting the following substantive change:

Substantive change:

Program Closure

Graduate Certificate in International Children, Youth, and Families

Submission date:

10/31/2024

Intended Implementation date:

8/19/2024

Case ID:

SC028885

The University of Tennessee at Knoxville requested the closure of the Graduate Certificate in International Children, Youth, and Families. The prospectus was deferred for the following additional information on November 15, 2024:

1. Please clarify the date when students were no longer allowed to enroll in the certificate program. The closure date is when students can no longer enroll in a program.
2. Please indicate whether students incurred any additional charges as a result of the program closure.

The response was received on November 19, 2024.

At the time the decision to close was made, no students were enrolled in the Graduate Certificate in International Children, Youth, and Families. The institution decided to close the program on August 19, 2024.

There were no students who required options to complete the program. There were no students who stopped out.

The community was informed about the closure of the program. Students were informed about the closure by the Department of Children and Family Studies. Faculty and staff were also informed by the Department of Children and Family Studies.

Per the additional information received, no students incurred additional costs.



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No faculty or staff are affected by this closure.

Please note that all requests for program or off-campus instructional site closures require a teach-out plan, even if no students are enrolled at the time of closure or were ever enrolled.

Note: Approval is effective as of the date of the Board of Trustees action (which is the date of this letter). In this case, the approval date is after the institution's stated actual implementation date. Note that this does not constitute retroactive approval: the institution's substantive change described herein is approved as of the date of the Board's action, not as of the earlier actual implementation date.

The Board of Trustees of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges approves the closure of the Graduate Certificate in International Children, Youth, and Families.

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

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