



TO: Council on Graduate Studies

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Below is a summary from the IBHE Reviews of the 6 graduate programs the completed annual seven year reviews for the Illinois State Board of Education.

**College of Arts & Humanities Programs:** There were no IBHE Reviews for College of Arts & Humanities programs in 2014

**College of Education & Professional Studies**

1. Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Reading Instruction (short progress review)

**Lumpkin College of Business & Applied Sciences**

2. Master's in Business Administration: Key achievements included elimination of the general management concentration and adding a concentration in research and in applied management. The program also added interdisciplinary courses to the Master of Science in Sustainable Energy, Master of Science in Geographic Information Sciences and is also participating in the Master of Science in Health Promotions and Leadership. Advances in recruiting, assessment, and research advanced the program to First Choice status in 2013. The program identified its research option as a unique feature that is attracting well-qualified applicants and aligning graduates with impressive PHD programs. The program further noted that its work on recruitment has returned its enrollments to desired levels.
3. Master of Science in Dietetics: Key achievements included moving from an option in the Master of Science in Family & Consumer Sciences to an independent degree program in Dietetics in 2010. The program's impressive assessment program has been identified as a strength as well as the program's impressive 100% placement rates. Demand for the program continues to grow and the program has become more selective as a result. The program is planning to align the name of the degree from its current designation to the Master of Science in Nutrition and Dietetics based on guidance from the discipline association. Demand is expected to continue in the coming 4 to 7 year IBHE review period.
4. Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Accountancy: This program will be eliminated and a report was not required.

**College of Sciences**

5. Master of Arts in Mathematics: The program has asked for an extension until the Fall Term and the report will be summarized during the first meeting in September 2014.
6. Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Public Planning (short progress review): The program has asked for an extension until the Fall Term and the report will be summarized during the first meeting in September 2014.