

Review Process for Proposals for CSU & UC JOINT DOCTORAL DEGREE PROGRAMS

Proposals for new doctoral degree programs to be offered jointly by CSU and UC should follow the guidelines in the *Handbook for the Creation of CSU/UC Joint Doctoral Programs*. (See also the *Coordinating Committee on Graduate Affairs (CCGA) Handbook* https://senate.universityofcalifornia.edu/_files/committees/ccga/ccga-handbook.pdf)

Permission to Negotiate

The CSU campus and UC campus request their respective system offices for "permission to negotiate." An expression of interest in and the rationale for a joint doctoral program is submitted by the CSU campus to the Academic Programs, Innovation and Faculty Development (APIFD) office at the CSU Office of the Chancellor, and by the UC campus to the Academic Affairs Division at the UC Office of the President. The initial expression of interest contains an indication of program need and supporting evidence of the requesting department's ability to offer the appropriate instruction. Approved requests to negotiate allow the campuses to develop a joint doctoral program proposal.

Planning

Before the joint doctoral proposal may be submitted to the UC and CSU system offices, the proposals require approvals from the:

1. Relevant disciplinary Deans at the CSU and UC campuses
2. Graduate Council at the UC campus
3. Divisional Academic Senate at the UC campus
4. CSU campus academic senate, curriculum committees and all other requirements that apply at that CSU campus.
5. President at the CSU campus and the Chancellor at the UC campus

Systemwide Review

The final proposal is sent to the Provost and Executive Vice President, Academic Affairs, UC Office of the President, and to the Executive Vice Chancellor, Academic and Student Affairs, CSU Office of the Chancellor (c/o Academic Programs, Innovation and Faculty Development). The Provost and Executive Vice President requests systemwide review by the UC CCGA. The CCGA conducts a preliminary review to determine whether or not to proceed with a full review of the proposal, or whether the Committee wishes to obtain additional information. The CSU Office of APIFD and CCGA consult regarding preliminary findings of the program reviews. If CCGA or the CSU Office of the Chancellor require more information, the proposal is sent back to the campuses for revision.

WASC Senior College and University Commission (WSCUC)

CSU partners shall request approval for a new program at the doctoral level from the regional accrediting agency, (WSCUC). The CSU request is an application to the Substantive Change Committee of WSCUC.

Joint Graduate Board

In the event that there are differences in CSU and UC system recommendations regarding a proposed program, the CSU/UC Joint Graduate Board reviews and approves the degree proposal.

Professional Doctorate Degrees

There are separate CCGA and CSU guidelines for professional doctorates (i.e., applied doctorates). These degrees are designed to prepare individuals for professional practice rather than scholarly research and study. Examples of applied doctorates include: Doctorate of Education (Ed.D.), Doctorate of Physical Therapy (D.P.T.), Doctor of Nursing Practice (D.N.P.), Occupational Therapy Doctorate (O.T.D.), Doctorate in Optometry (O.D.), and the Doctorate of Audiology (Au.D.). Please refer to Appendix O in the CCGA Handbook.

References

CCGA Handbook https://senate.universityofcalifornia.edu/_files/committees/ccga/ccga-handbook.pdf
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