

Jumping Through the Hoops

The Internal and External Curricular Approval Process for New Programs

Is it a new program?

SACSCOC	CPE	WKU
Major, Certificate, or Program considered substantive change.	 Major, Certificate, or Program with a CIP code (not currently used at WKU) or using that CIP at a new level Merging a program into a single program and using a new CIP code Separating programs into two or more programs. The program with the new CIP is considered new. 	New major/certificate/ program needing a new reference number (not a title revision)

New Majors and Programs (not Certificates)

New Major/Program	WKU	CPE	SACSCOC
Step 1		Notification of Intent (CPE approval required before proposing a program)	Consult with the Provost's Office on Substantive Change
Step 2		CCAO NOI Approval (Chief Academic Officers from state institutions approve NOIs)	
Step 3	CourseLeaf New Program Proposal Form (Program form will require the CPE information)	CPE Proposal Form + Budget Spreadsheet Includes: -Market Data -Budget Information -Assessment Plan	SACSCOC Prospectus (if required, must be submitted by January 1 for Fall implementation or July 1 for Spring implementation; 6 months in advance) Includes: -Market Data -Budget Information -Assessment Plan

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Step 4	Departmental Review		Prospectus (Continued)
Step 5	Dean Review		
Step 6	College Review	CPE Proposal + Budget	
Step 7	PEC (if applicable)	Review	
Step 8	Undergraduate Curriculum Committee or Graduate Council Curriculum Committee/Graduate Council		
Step 9	Faculty Senate		

New Major/Program	WKU	CPE	SACSCOC
Step 10	Provost		
Step 11	Board of Regents Academic Affairs Committee	CPE Proposal Available for Public Viewing (proposal must have BOR sub-committee approval prior to CPE submission; 30 Day Review Period)	
Step 12	Board of Regents		
Step 13		ASI Committee Approves CPE Proposal ASI committee requires submission 4 weeks prior to committee meeting) CPE Board Approval	SACSCOC Board Approval
Step 14	Program Inventory (Banner and Degree Audit)		

New Certificates (not Vocational)

New Certificate	WKU	СРЕ	SACSCOC
Step 1		Consult with the Provost's Office on certificate hours and CIP code selection. If a SACSCOC Prospectus is required, Notification of Intent (CPE approval required	Consult with the Provost's Office on Substantive Change
		before proposing a program) and CCAO approval before moving to Step 2.	
Step 2	CourseLeaf New Program Proposal Form (Assessment Plan required for SACSCOC)	If a SACSCOC Prospectus is required, CPE Proposal + Budget Review	SACSCOC Prospectus (if required, must be submitted by January 1 for Fall implementation or July 1 for Spring implementation; 6 months in advance) Includes: -Market Data
Step 2	New Program Proposal Form (Assessment Plan required	is required, CPE Proposal +	months in advances:

Step 3	Departmental Review		
Step 4	Dean Review		Prospectus (Continued)
Step 5	College Review		Trosposias (Gorianiasa)
Step 6	Undergraduate Curriculum Committee or Graduate Council Curriculum Committee/Graduate Council	If a SACSCOC Prospectus is required, CPE Proposal + Budget Review	
Step 7	Faculty Senate		
Step 8	Provost		
Step 9	Board of Regents Academic Affairs Committee	If a SACSCOC Prospectus is required, CPE Proposal Available for Public Review (All information is shared with KY institutions for review) ASI Committee (proposal must have BOR subcommittee approval prior to CPE submission; ASI committee requires submission 4 weeks prior to committee meeting)	

New Certificate	WKU	CPE	SACSCOC
Step 10	Board of Regents		
Step 11		If a SACSCOC Prospectus is required, CPE Board Approval	SACSCOC Board Approval (if substantive change)
Step 12	Program Inventory (Banner and Degree Audit)		