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# **Criteria for Development or Cancellation of Programs Leading to Certificates, Diplomas or Degrees Policy**

- 1) **Proposals leading to new certificates, diplomas, degrees;**
- 2) **Cancellation of programs leading to certificates, diplomas, degrees.**

<b>Policy</b>	<b>After hearing the advice of Education Council, and a recommendation from Management, the Board will consider for approval:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>i. Proposals leading to new certificates, diplomas, degrees.</li><li>ii. Priorities for implementation of proposals for new certificates, diplomas and degrees.</li><li>iii. Cancellation of programs leading to certificates, diplomas, degrees.</li></ol>
<b>Applies to</b>	Department Heads, Deans, Vice Presidents, Education Council and Board members.
<b>Principles</b>	<b>The following factors will inform the decisions of the Board (in no order of priority):</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Adherence to the Mission and Strategic Plan.</li><li>• Industry or community need.</li><li>• Availability of sufficient and appropriate resources.</li><li>• Student demand.</li><li>• Availability of qualified faculty.</li><li>• Ministry priorities.</li><li>• Flexibility and options for students such as prior learning assessment and recognition, part-time studies,</li></ul>

- exit and re-entry points, transfer and laddering opportunities, and distributed learning.  
Program quality.

**1. Policy Sponsor** Board Governance Committee

**2. Approvals:**

President \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Education Council Chair \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Operations Council Chair \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Board Chair \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**3. Amendments**

President \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Education Council Chair \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Operations Council Chair \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Board Chair \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**4. Review Date**