



RESOLUTION

concerning

LICENSURE AND ACCREDITATION

FOR A

MASTER OF SCIENCE DEGREE
IN
JUSTICE ADMINISTRATION

AT

WESTERN CONNECTICUT STATE UNIVERSITY

April 4, 1997

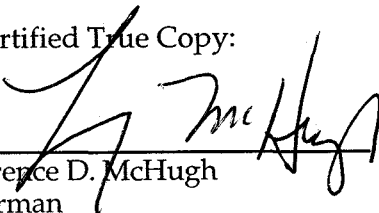
WHEREAS, The Board of Trustees for the Connecticut State University System approved a Master of Public Administration (MPA) with a specialization in Justice and Law Administration degree for Western Connecticut State University on October 3, 1996, and

WHEREAS, Upon further reflection by Western, it has now determined that a Master of Science Degree in Justice Administration would more appropriately meet their needs, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That Board Resolution 96-57 is rescinded, and be it further

RESOLVED, That under the authority granted to the Board of Trustees for the Connecticut State University System in Chapter 185b, Section 10a-87 and 10a-149 of the Connecticut General Statutes, the Chancellor for Connecticut State University is authorized to seek licensure and accreditation from the Connecticut Board of Governors for Higher Education for a Master of Science Degree in Justice Administration to be presented by Western Connecticut State University.

A Certified True Copy:


Lawrence D. McHugh
Chairman

ITEM

Licensure and Accreditation for a Master of Science (MS) in Justice Administration at Western Connecticut State University

BACKGROUND

The MS degree in Justice Administration prepares students for management and leadership positions in public service. The principle objectives of the program are:

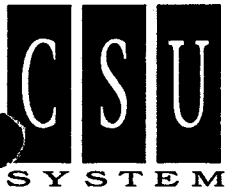
- to educate students to serve the public interest and to contribute to the solution of problems in governmental, non-profit, and private sector organizations in Connecticut, primarily in the field of criminal justice administration.
- the interdisciplinary curriculum has been designed to be theoretically sound and skill-based to enhance the students' accountability, responsiveness, and ability to analyze public policy problems.
- the curriculum also contains a strong common body of knowledge in political, legal, organizational, quantitative, and strategic issues, pertinent to public processes, theories, techniques and analysis.
- students develop a specialized knowledge in the field of Justice and Law Administration
- in-service and pre-service students are provided with the managerial, technical and political skills necessary for advancement or placement in public service managerial and administrative positions.
- An academic and practical experienced faculty provide students with a diversified educational resource.

ANALYSIS

The Master of Science degree in Justice Administration has been developed to respond to the needs of criminal justice agencies who have supported the establishment of a graduate degree in JLA at Western Connecticut State University. Presently there are 319 declared undergraduate majors in the JLA program and approximately 148 undergraduate students completing requisites towards this degree. The proposed program focuses its course and practicum experiences on educating students in the financial/budgetary processes, quantitative methods, institutional analysis, public management, political advocacy and leadership, with a specialized component on the structure and processes of the criminal justice domain.

CHANCELLOR'S RECOMMENDATION

Authorize Western Connecticut State University to seek licensure and accreditation from the Connecticut Board of Governors for Higher Education for a Master of Science in Justice Administration.



Connecticut State University System



April 28, 1997

Dr. Andrew G. DeRocco
Commission
Department of Higher Education
61 Woodland Street
Hartford, CT 06105

Dear Commissioner DeRocco:

On behalf of the CSU Board of Trustees I request your consideration and that of the Board of Governors on the following matters.

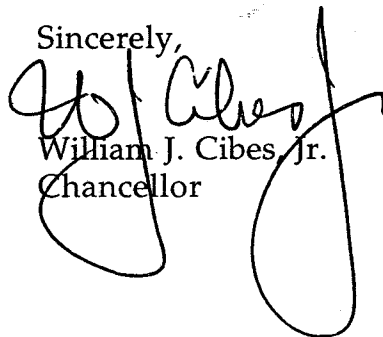
Central Connecticut State University has requested the elimination of the Bachelor's in Physical Science General Degree Program (40010) currently listed on the program inventory. President Judd of Central has certified that all students enrolled in this program have graduated.

Southern Connecticut State University has submitted two new program requests for licensure and accreditation: A Bachelor of Arts Degree in Music and a Masters of Arts Degree in Women's Studies. Copies of the application documents, program summaries, and two campus catalogs will be submitted directly to the Department of Higher Education from Southern.

Western Connecticut State University has also requested a revision to their Master of Public Administration Degree request and feels that it would be more appropriate to request licensure and accreditation as a Master of Science Degree in Justice Administration. Program documentation is currently at the Department of Higher Education.

These requests were all authorized by our Board of Trustees by resolutions of April 4, 1997, copies enclosed. Please let me know if further information is needed.

Sincerely,



William J. Cibes, Jr.
Chancellor

cc: CSU Presidents