2. Suspension of a Program

The suspension of a program occurs when a program is not offered for one or more intake(s) and is intended as a temporary measure.

3. Cancellation of a Program

The cancellation of a program occurs when a program is no longer offered by the college and is removed from the list of program offerings.

1. Dean/Director

- 1. Ensures appropriate information gathering, consultation, transition planning, and communication has occurred.
- 2. Submits the recommendation and transition plan for the suspension or cancellation to the Vice President Education.
- 3. Ensures approval process has been followed as per this policy and the Education Approvals policy.

2. Vice President Education

- 1. Approves program suspensions.
- 2. Reviews proposals for program cancellations from the Dean/Director and makes recommendations for program cancellations to Education Council and the Camosun College Board of Governors.
- 1. A Dean/Director, in consultation with the necessary stakeholders, may recommend the suspension of a program to the Vice President Education. The Vice President Education, in consultation with the necessary stakeholders, may also initiate the process for suspension of a program.
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 - 1. It is recognized that there may be times when a recommendation for cancellation might be made instead of a suspension.
 - 2. Prior to recommending a program for cancellation, the Dean/Director will undertake a consultation process and review of the program. This will include:
 - a. Consultation and information gathering from interest groups including (but not limited to): students (current and prospective); employers; program advisory committees; Education Council; affected faculty and staff and their respective Unions; and the College service departments and administration.
 - b. A review of program performance measures including (but not limited to): student demand; graduate employment/transfer to further studies; cost effectiveness; student and employer satisfaction levels; availability of alternate program providers; and other relevant program data.
 - 3. Implications of any proposal, including impact on staff, facilities, technology, and other resources, must be clearly identified.
 - 4. The recommendation for cancellation will be brought forward to the Vice President Education by the Dean/Director. With support of ELT and the Executive, a program would be recommended for cancellation to the Board of Governors.
 - 5. Once a decision to cancel a program has been approved by the Board, the Dean/Director will advise the stakeholders and implement a communication process.

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College and Institute Act Section 19 (1) Powers of the Board

- 19 (1) Subject to this Act, a board may do the following:
 - (d) determine courses or programs to be offered or cancelled at the institution;

College and Institute Act Section 23 Advisory Role of Education Council

- 23 (1) An education council must advise the board, and the board must seek advice from the education council, on the development of educational policy for the following matters:
 - (e) cancellation of programs or courses offered by the institution or changes in the length of or hours for courses or programs offered by the institution;

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E.11.1 Communication Process for Program Suspension and Cancellation (under development)

G-1.3 Board Decision Making

E-1.6 Educational Approvals