

Title: New Program and Curriculum Development, Program Discontinuance	Number: 4.17	Page 1 of 1
	Related Procedure? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
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Academic Affairs shall approve new programs and the continuance of existing programs. A program is defined as a group of courses leading either to a certificate or degree. Initial internal approval of new certificates and degrees is required by the President, his or her designee, or College Council before new certificates and degrees are submitted for review by the Board of Trustees.

New associate degree (CIP or Classification of Instructional Programs codes) programs require state approval by the Colorado Community College System (CCCS). All new degree programs (CIP codes) require approval by the Colorado Department of Higher Education (CDHE). Some new degree programs (CIP codes) may require approval by the Higher Learning Commission (HLC) or other accrediting agencies. Certificates of Occupational Proficiency require CCCS approval and some new Certificates of Occupational Proficiency may require HLC approval.

Colorado Mountain College (CMC) may offer certificates and two-year and four-year degrees. All certificates and degrees must be approved by the Board of Trustees, Colorado Commission on Higher Education and the Higher Learning Commission before being offered by the College.

Program Discontinuance

The Board of Trustees shall be informed periodically of any academic degree or certificate program that has been discontinued.