ACTION ITEM: Discontinuation of the Center for Critical Inquiry in the Liberal Arts

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

As a result of budgetary constraints, several research centers, including the Center for Critical Inquiry in the Liberal Arts, were identified for discontinuation by UNC General Administration in 2009. The few commitments for the center’s activities will be completed by October 30, 2009 using non-State funds.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees of The University of North Carolina at Greensboro approve the discontinuation of the Center for Critical Inquiry in the Liberal Arts.

David H. Perrin
Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs
Form C
Request to DISCONTINUE an Institutional Center or Institute

This form must be submitted and approved prior to closing an institutional center or institute. This form may not be used to discontinue an inter-institutional center or institute.

A request to discontinue may be initiated by the individual who has primary responsibility for the center/institute (the Provost / Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, an Associate Provost, Dean, or Department Chair / Head.)

Reasons to discontinue a center/institute may include such things as a changing need for the center's work or research, loss of key personnel, or unavailability of funding.

Submit three copies of all materials to the Associate Provost for Research and Public / Private Sector Partnerships, 1601 HHRA, Campus

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I. General Information

Name of Center/Institute:

Organizational structure
☐ Center
☐ Institute

Proposed Status
☐ Institutional (UNCG campus only). Complete this form.
☐ Inter-Institutional (involves more than one UNC system campus)

STOP: If you checked "Inter-Institutional," you must follow a different. Contact the Associate Provost for Research and Public / Private Sector Partnerships at 256-0426 for more information.

Type of Center / Institute
☐ Research
☐ Public Service
☐ Instructional
☐ Membership

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Please attach responses to the following. Provide the information on one side of the paper, 1 ½ inch left margin, all other margins 1 inch, Times Roman. Do not exceed 5 pages.

II. Explain in detail the reasons for the request to discontinue this center or institute. Include such considerations as loss of funding, loss of key faculty or other administrators, change in mission or goals, and/or replacement by a new center/institute, etc.

III. Explain how an orderly termination or transfer of contractual obligations will be handled during the “phase-out” period.

IV. Explain efforts that will be made to find alternative employment for full time staff affected by the discontinuation.

V. Indicate the proposed effective termination date.

VI. Provide any additional information necessary to support the request to discontinue.

Submitted by: Timothy D. Johnston
Title: Dean
Signature: 
Date: 10/1/09

APPROVALS:

Department Chair / Head
Date

Dean
Date

Associate Provost for Research and Public/Private Sector Partnerships
Date

Provost and Vice-Chancellor for Academic Affairs
Date

Chancellor
Date

Chair, UNCG Board of Trustees
Date
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II. Specific direction from the Legislature in the 2009 budget session

III. A few commitments for Center activities for the early fall will be completed using non-State funds.

IV. N/A

V. October 30, 2009

VI. N/A