

Wednesday, 21 October 2015

Dr. Matt Mingus, *Chair*
UNM Gallup Curriculum Committee

Dear Dr. Mingus,

This letter is in reference to the Drafting Program review.

Having considered the history of the program and the paltry documentation presented, it is my recommendation that the program be *taught out*.

My reasons for this recommendation are:

1. The certificate in Drafting contains only 6 hours of general education; 3 English and 3 Math, plus 6 hours of electives. This is not an educational service for our students.
2. The program has low caps on classes.
3. Even with low caps, the enrolment in each class is often in the single digits.
4. It is necessary to continually subsidize this program from other academic funds.
5. The classes are local/vocational and are, therefore, not transferable.
6. In the documentation there is an articulation agreement with the main campus Architecture and Engineering program, but on closer examination none of the Gallup classes are actually accepted directly into the UNM Degree. The document states that up to 9 hours of Gallup credits can be included as *Additional Electives*. This means that these 9 hours are not even acceptable as degree electives and can only be included over and above the total number of credits required for the degree. In short, when transferring to main campus, other than the NM core classes, our students would start at the beginning.
7. The documentation includes scant support materials to even justify this program as a local training.
8. The documentation does not include numbers of graduates.
9. Other than one letter the documentation does not include any evidence of job placement.

Mr. Frank Loera, Division Chair, suggests that two drafting classes are of use in the Construction Technology Program.

Truly,



Professor Kenneth R. Roberts, *Dean of Instruction*.

Cc's Mr. Frank Loera, Chair, Business and Applied Technology