

TITLE 128
LEGISLATIVE RULES
WEST VIRGINIA BOARD OF REGENTS

SERIES 4
POLICY REGARDING THE APPROVAL OF NEW ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

§128-4-1. General.

1.1. Scope. -- This rule establishes the requirements for approval of new academic programs for the 1971-72 baccalaureate and graduate programs.

1.2. Authority. -- W. Va. Code §18-26

1.3. Filing Date. -- February 6, 1971

1.4. Effective Date. -- April 6, 1971

§128-4-2. Policy.

2.1. WHEREAS, The West Virginia Board of Regents received a substantially smaller 1971-72 appropriation for personal services, library resources and the development of new programs in the state system of higher education than it had requested; and

2.2. WHEREAS, Enrollment growth projected for 1971-72 and inflationary factors will require additional expenditures to maintain current programs at

a quality level; and

2.3. WHEREAS, The Board of Regents is committed to the principle of obtaining maximum return to the state for the dollars invested in support of higher education; and

2.4. WHEREAS, The Board of Regents believes that the expansion of career-technical higher educational opportunities of two (2) years or less duration designed to prepare West Virginians for gainful employment within the state requires priority consideration;

2.5. THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That during 1971-72 new baccalaureate and graduate degree programs will be approved by the Board of Regents only if economies can be realized through a consolidation or reduction in existing programs sufficient to support new programs and if there is clear evidence that a critical need exists for personnel in West Virginia prepared in such new programs.