

April 12, 2023

Academic Transformation Program Portfolio Review Preliminary Recommendation

In accordance with Board of Governor's Academics Rule 2.2, West Virginia University's Office of the Provost has performed an Academic Program review for the following programs and majors:

MA Professional Writing and Editing

The recommendation for the program is:

- Continuance at the current level of activity
- **Continuance at the current level of activity with specific action**
- Continuance at a reduced level of activity
- Identification of the program for further development
- Development of a cooperative program
- Discontinuance

The following actions should be taken by the program. This includes what response is expected to the Provost's Office (if any) and when these actions are expected to be completed by.

- 1) After meeting with their dean's office to discuss this recommendation and determine the Eberly College's and department's strategy for the program, the program must work with the Provost's Office generally, and the Associate Provost for Curriculum and Assessment specifically, to develop a program improvement plan that:
 - a. presents an increased enrollment target for the program and a plan to achieve that target;
 - b. explores whether the program would benefit from an Accelerated Bachelor's to Master's pathway with the new undergraduate programs in Professional Writing and Editing and Scientific and Technical Writing;
 - c. explains how the program will improve its curricular efficiency through combined course offerings with the new undergraduate programs in Professional Writing and Editing and Scientific and Technical Writing.
- 2) The improvement plan must be submitted to and approved by the Provost's Office by **May 31, 2023**. The major will be evaluated on its progress initially on **July 1, 2024** and again on **December 1, 2025**. At either time, based on progress made to date, further action may be recommended.

