

The UAF Faculty Senate passed the following motion at Meeting #186 on November 5, 2012:

**MOTION:**

The UAF Faculty Senate agrees to discontinuation of the M.A.T. degree in Physics.

EFFECTIVE: Fall 2013

RATIONALE: During the 2010-2011 program review process, the Faculty Program Review Committee, Administration Program Review Committee, and the Chancellor's Cabinet recommended the program be discontinued. The Physics Department did not appeal that recommendation.

**Background and Information:**

According to the UAF Catalog, M.A.T. (Master of Arts in Teaching) programs are designed "to serve baccalaureate graduates who qualify for the Alaska secondary school certificate, who intend to make secondary school classroom teaching their career, and who wish to take additional work in the teaching major and/or minor..." However, the UAF M.A.T. degrees have not attracted significant enrollment for many years. In particular, the M.A.T. in Physics has had no students enrolled and no graduates since at least FY06.

Discontinuation of this program will have no effect on other programs, personnel, students, or budget, except that the department will be freed from administrative requirements of student learning outcomes assessment and program review. There are currently no students enrolled in this program, and admissions have been suspended pending Faculty Senate action. Therefore, the program can be discontinued immediately and does not require a teach out period.

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President, UAF Faculty Senate

APPROVAL:   
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Chancellor's Office

DATE: 6 Nov 12

DISAPPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_  
Chancellor's Office

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