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**REQUEST TO TERMINATE THE MASTER OF ARTS IN ASIAN CIVILIZATIONS AT THE  
UNIVERSITY OF IOWA**

**Action Requested:** Approve the request by the University of Iowa to terminate the Master of Arts in Asian Civilizations in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

The Council of Provosts and Board office staff reviewed the proposal and recommend approval.

**Description of program.** The Asian Civilization Master of Arts program was established in the late 1980s. The program enrolls students with substantial Chinese, Japanese, Hindi and Sanskrit language training.

**Reason for proposed termination.** The program has low enrollment (currently two students). This termination is planned to be permanent.

**Effect on current students.** In spring 2023 there were two students in the MA program. One is expected to graduate in the spring of 2023, and the other in the summer of 2023. Thus, a closure of the Asian Civilization (MA) program will not affect current students.

**Application, Enrollment and Completion Trends.**

	<b>Applications</b>	<b>Enrollment</b>	<b>Completions</b>
2022	2	2	1
2021	1	1	0
2020	1	0	3
2019	5	5	1
2018	11	5	1

**Impact on resources.** The program has a low number of core faculty due to recent retirements so no reduction in faculty or staff is needed. There is no additional effect on cost.

**Impact on workforce.** Given the low number of students enrolled, the closure of the program will not affect workforce needs in the state.

**Alternative programs.** Currently, no duplicate or comparable program is available elsewhere in the state.

**Effective date of termination.** Upon approval by the Board of Regents.