

VSBE

Date: Jan. 12, 2021

Item: NVU-L Full Program Review ROPA Report

ITEM: Shall the VSBE accept the report of the ROPA review team and grant conditional approval to all NVU-Johnson programs listed below for two years, with a follow-up review to be scheduled in the fall of 2022?

AGENCY RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the VSBE accept the report of the ROPA review team and grant conditional approval to all NVU-Lyndon programs as indicated in the ROPA report, with a follow-up review to be scheduled in the fall of 2022.

BACKGROUND: The VSBE approved a team to conduct a ROPA review of NVU-Lyndon. The team had a virtual training and calibration session in August and then conducted the interviews virtually the week of Oct. 5. The programs that were reviewed are:

- Early Childhood Education – on campus (PreK-Grade 3)
- Early Childhood education – online (Birth to age 5)
- Elementary Education
- Special Education (all undergraduate only).

The team found that the evidence was not sufficient to recommend any of the programs for full approval, largely due to staff turnover and inadequate staffing. At this time, it is not fully known what will happen with the merger between NVU-Lyndon and NVU-Johnson's Education Departments. We expect there to be changes that will need to be addressed through the ROPA process over the next two years.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

NVU-L ROPA Report