SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF REGENTS
ACADEMIC AFFAIRS FORMS
Program Termination or Placement on Inactive Status

UNIVERSITY:	**SDSU**
DEGREE(S) AND PROGRAM:	**Apparel and Fashion Studies Minor [SAFS]**
CIP CODE:	**19.0901**
UNIVERSITY DEPARTMENT:	**School of Health and Human Sciences**
BANNER DEPARTMENT CODE:	**SHHS**
UNIVERSITY DIVISION:	**College of Education and Human Sciences**
BANNER DIVISION CODE:	**3H**

University Approval

To the Board of Regents and the Executive Director: I certify that I have read this proposal, that I believe it to be accurate, and that it has been evaluated and approved as provided by university policy.

President of the University — Date: 5.13.2026

1. **Program Degree Level:**
   ☐ Associate ☒ Bachelor's ☐ Master's ☐ Doctoral
2. **Category:**
   ☐ Certificate ☐ Specialization ☒ Minor ☐ Major
3. **The program action proposed is:**
   ☐ Inactive Status (*See question 4)* ☒ Termination (*See questions 5 and 6)*

5. TERMINATION WITH ENROLLED STUDENTS

a. Provide a justification for terminating the program:

The College of Education and Human Sciences and School of Health and Human Sciences requests to terminate the Fashion Studies and Retail Merchandising (B.S.) [SBS.FSR], Apparel and Fashion Studies minor [SAFS], and Retail Merchandising minor [SRM]. The request to terminate the programs is based on low program enrollment. The Apparel and Fashion Studies Minor had 6 students as of Fall 2025; 4 minors have been awarded over the last 5 years.

b. What is the plan for completion of the program by current students?

Currently 3 students are enrolled in the Apparel and Fashion Studies minor. The School of Health and Human Sciences will implement a structured teach-out plan for the FSRM coursework. The program curriculum will continue to be delivered through a structured course rotation to ensure all required courses are available during the teach-out period. Course scheduling will prioritize timely degree completion, while recognizing that some students may progress at different rates. Where appropriate, course substitutions or equivalent experiences may be used to support student progression while maintaining academic standards.

c. What is the proposed date (day/month/year) program termination status begins (program status in the database changes to *Phasing Out* and last date a student may enroll in or declare the program)?
Spring 2026

d. What is the last date (day/month/year) in which a student may enroll in the program (program status in the database changes to *Phase Out*)?
Spring 2026

e. What is the last term or date (day/month/year) by which a student can graduate from the program?
Spring 2030

f. What are the potential cost savings of terminating the program and what are the planned uses of the savings?
The approximate cost savings will be $55,500. The School of Health and Human Sciences will redirect the savings towards programs that have experienced high enrollments and require additional staffing.

g. What are the resulting employee terminations and other possible implications including impact on other programs?
Termination of the Fashion Studies and Retail Merchandising (FSRM) program will include a reduction of 1 FTE and adjunct costs.