

Program Code Adjustment To Get Into Sync With ADHE Reporting

TERMS:

- Concentrations
- Tracks
- Emphasis
- Specializations

These all mean the same for the purpose of this proposal.

CURRENT STRUCTURE:

Currently each concentration has its own specific code.

Example: World Languages has the following codes in the system that reflect: main program code, French concentration code, Spanish concentration code, French/Educ code, Spanish/Educ code, and their respective Post Bac codes (noted with PB after program code).

WLNG-BA	World Lang: Fren/Span/Educ
WLNGPB-BA	World Lang: Fren/Span/Educ
WLNGF-BA	World Languages: French-BA
WLNGFPB-BA	World Languages: French-BA
WLNGFS-BA	World Lang: French/Sec Ed-BA
WLNGFSPB-BA	World Lang: French/Sec Ed-BA
WLNGS-BA	World Languages: Spanish-BA
WLNGSPB-BA	World Languages: Spanish-BA
WLNGSS-BA	World Lang: Spanish/Sec Ed-BA
WLNGSSPB-BA	World Lang: Spanish/Sec Ed-BA

HISTORY:

When a program is approved by ADHE, a program code is created in the system. This program code is used to identify students in the specific program starting with the admission application and continuing with the change of major processing.

Example: WLNG-BA World Lang: Fren/Span/Educ Bachelors of Arts degree

As programs started to create concentrations within their main program codes, there became a need to create specific codes for the admissions application that reflect these concentrations.

For our example of WLNG-BA, concentrations of French, French Education, Spanish, and Spanish Education were created to display on the admission application.

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In the example:

WLNGF-BA	World Languages: French-BA with concentration code: FR1
WLNGFS-BA	World Lang: French/Sec Ed-BA with concentration codes: FR1 and SLF
WLNGS-BA	World Languages: Spanish-BA with concentration code: SP1
WLNGSS-BA	World Lang: Spanish/Sec Ed-BA with concentration codes: SP1 and SLF

Students will admit or change major into these concentrations program codes.

ISSUE:

Program codes, even these codes displaying concentrations, show on the graduation application as graduation options.

Example:

A student is seeking both French and Spanish. They would be in the respective program codes displaying concentrations. WLNGF-BA and WLNGS-BA

Displaying in BOSS as:

Curriculum Information

Current Program

Program:	World Languages: French-BA
College:	Arts, Letters, Sciences
Major and Department:	World Languages, World Languages
Major Concentration:	French

Secondary

Program:	World Languages: Spanish-BA
College:	Arts, Letters, Sciences
Major and Department:	World Languages, World Languages
Major Concentration:	Spanish

When they were ready to apply to graduate, students would see options for both the French and Spanish as two *separate* degree programs. They would choose to graduate with WLNGF-BA and then apply to graduate choosing WLNGS-BA. This would lead to awarding two BA degrees for the same degree program. ADHE only recognizes WLNG-BA (the main program code) so the award count is only one since both the French and Spanish are concentrations under the main code.

This causes the French concentration to be reported to ADHE but the Spanish concentration is not notated in any way.

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PROPOSED SOLUTION:

Since the current method of displaying the program with concentration codes limits our reporting to ADHE within the same main program code to one program, we propose the following solution:

Take all program codes that contain concentration codes back to their main program code used for ADHE and attach concentration codes to that main code.

Example:

Program codes:

WLNG-BA	World Lang: Fren/Span/Educ
WLNGPB-BA	World Lang: Fren/Span/Educ

Concentration codes:

FR1	French
SP1	Spanish
SLF	Secondary Educ Lic/Fre,Ger,Spa

Student seeking French and Spanish would display like this:

WLNG-BA with concentration codes: FR1 and SP1

Otherwise displayed as: World Lang: Fren/Span/Educ - BA
concentration in French
concentration in Spanish

Displaying in BOSS as:

Curriculum Information

Current Program

Program:	World Lang: Fren/Span/Educ
College:	Arts, Letters, Sciences
Major and Department:	World Languages, World Languages
Major Concentration:	French
Major Concentration:	Spanish

NOTE:

The current method would print two diplomas for the student with WLNGF-BA and WLNGS-BA but the diplomas do not display concentrations. So, each diploma would only state that the student received a Bachelor of Arts in World Languages.

From the example. In the new method, only one diploma will print stating student received a Bachelor of Arts in World Languages.

All concentrations print on transcripts only.