

Standard V: Operational Policies-Fair Practices

Teach Out/Exit Plan for the Closure of the Biomedical Science Program at the College of

Health Sciences

According to the new NAACls accreditation Standard V.D (implemented in 2012) for

the Medical Laboratory Sciences Programs, the requirement for a "teach out" or exit plan for

the program must be developed. The standard states that the plan must be submitted to

NAACLS within 30 days of the announcement of closure. However, it is strongly

recommended that such a plan be developed pro-actively and approved by the appropriate

administrative process as contingency planning.

1. Permanent Closure

In the event that the BMS Program at Qatar University would close permanently, the

Program would no longer accept new students. Those currently enrolled students in MLS

courses would be individually counseled and advised for program completion and the

students will be allowed to complete the necessary courses to finish his or her degree.

The Program Director of the BMS program will continue on a full time basis to assure that

completion of the courses and the Capstone projects

Note: If the Teach-Out Plan ever goes into effect, the Program Director will submit the

Teach-Out Plan to NAACLS within 30 days of the official announcement of the closure of

the program.

2. Temporary Closure

- In the event that a catastrophic event occurs that results in an interruption of the university's ability to operate the campus having the BMS program. The Program would attempt to relocate the lecture and student laboratory courses to health care partners.
- In the event that a catastrophic event occurs that results in an interruption of the university's ability to operate the BMS Program, the Program would attempt to continue courses via the Blackboard online course delivery system and the University College Centers. Attempts to continue student laboratory courses include either virtual laboratories or relocation to clinical affiliates unaffected by the event.
- In the event that a catastrophic event interrupts the operation of one or more of the MLS
 Program's clinical affiliates, steps will be taken to place students at other functioning
 clinical sites to finish the remainder of their training. A plan will be submitted to NAACLS
 within 30 days of closure notification.

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