



RUTGERS POLICY

Section: 10.1.1

Section Title: Academic Matters

Policy Name: Establishment of Academic Units, Departments and Degree Programs

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Responsible Executive: Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

Responsible Office: Office of Academic Affairs

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1. **Policy Statement**

New academic units, departments, and degree programs must be approved by the Board of Governors and, as may be appropriate, by an entity designated under New Jersey law.

2. **Reason for Policy**

To identify the governing bodies that must approve new academic units, departments, and degree programs.

3. **Who Should Read This Policy**

- Chancellors and Vice Presidents
- Deans, directors and department chairs
- Faculty members
- Academic administrators

4. **Related Documents**

Policy 10.1.2 - Academic Units

5. **Contacts**

Office of Academic Affairs
732-932-7174

6. **The Policy**

10.1.1 ESTABLISHMENT OF ACADEMIC UNITS, DEPARTMENTS AND DEGREE PROGRAMS

Establishment of Academic Units, Departments and Degree Programs. New academic units of the University and new academic departments and degree programs within existing units shall be established and authorized to function on a permanent basis only after the need for their establishment has been justified to the Board of Governors and expressly approved by that body and subsequently, as may be appropriate, by an entity designated under New Jersey law.