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WILLIAM & MARY APPROVE THE CLOSURE OF THE MASTER OF ARTS IN PHYSICS DEGREE PROGRAM

WHEREAS, William & Mary students can earn baccalaureate, master's, and doctoral degrees in Physics;

WHEREAS, William & Mary began offering a Master of Arts (M.A.) in Physics degree in 1959;

WHEREAS, the last conferral of a Master of Arts (M.A.) in Physics at William & Mary was in May 1970;

WHEREAS, no students have been enrolled in the M.A. in Physics program for more than a decade;

WHEREAS, William & Mary will continue to award the existing Master of Science (M.S.) in Physics degree;

WHEREAS, no faculty positions will be lost as a result of the discontinuance of the degree program,

WHEREAS, the Dean of the Faculty of Arts and Sciences concurs with the need to close the M.A. in Physics degree program, and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That upon recommendation of the President and the Provost, the William & Mary Board of Visitors approves the closure of the M.A. in Physics degree program.