

6.2.c Program coordination

For each of its educational programs, the institution assigns appropriate responsibility for program coordination.

Compliance Judgment: In Compliance

Rationale

The University of South Carolina Aiken (USC Aiken) assigns responsibility for program coordination to academically qualified faculty. With the inclusion of programs at the remote sites of USC Salkehatchie, USC Sumter, and USC Union; online degree completion programs; and traditional delivery programs on the main campus, USC Aiken offers 13 different degrees in 47 undergraduate and 4 graduate programs of study. With the exception of the Bachelor of Arts in Interdisciplinary Studies and the Bachelor of Science in Interdisciplinary Studies, all programs are housed in academic departments headed by a chair, or in the case of professional programs such as Nursing, Education, or Business, in a school headed by a dean. Programs offered at remote sites are headed by a coordinator located at the remote site.

Table 6.2.c provides links to descriptions of the degree programs, the curriculum vitae of the faculty assigned responsibility for oversight of the program or site, along with letters of appointment. The letters of appointment delineate responsibilities for program coordination, curriculum development, assessment, and review. Duties of department chairs and deans are also outlined in the [Faculty Manual](#).^[1] As illustrated with the following examples, coordinators, chairs, and deans of academic programs are identified in the [Academic Programs Bulletin](#) ^[2] and on websites either at USC Aiken (e.g., [Dean of Nursing](#) ^[3], [Chair of English](#) ^[4], [MBA Director](#) ^[5], and [Special Education Coordinator](#) ^[6]), or at remote sites at which USC Aiken offers a program of study (e.g., [Education Coordinator at USC Salkehatchie](#) ^[7]). The documentation presented in Table 6.2.c shows that academic programs have program coordinators with experiences and credentials in the curricular area of the academic program.

Table 6.2.c Program Descriptions, Appointment Letters, CVs, and Qualifications of Program Coordinators

Degree (Major) (Links to Program Descriptions)	Appointment (Links to Appointment Letters)	Person Responsible (Links to Curriculum Vitae)	Relevant Qualifications & Experience (Links to credentials)
Bachelor of Arts (Art) ^[8]	Coordinator for the Art Program ^[9]	Dr. Jeremy Culler ^[10]	PhD (Art History) ; ^[11] 21 years of relevant experience in Art; tenured Associate Professor of Art History
Bachelor of Arts (Biology) ^[12]	Chair, Department of Biology & Geology ^[13]	Dr. William Jackson ^[14]	PhD (Immunology and Microbiology) ; ^[15] 30 years of relevant experience in higher education, tenured Professor of Immunology
Bachelor of Arts (Chemistry) ^[16]	Chair, Department of Chemistry & Physics ^[17]	Dr. Gerard Rowe ^[18]	PhD (Inorganic and Bioinorganic Chemistry) ; ^[19] 8 years of relevant experience in higher education; tenured Associate Professor of Inorganic Chemistry
Bachelor of Arts (Communication) ^[20]	Chair, Department of Communication ^[21]	Dr. Ben Triana ^[22]	PhD (Communication) ; ^[23] 5 years of relevant experience; well published in the area of communication, teaching experience at other higher education institutions
Bachelor of Arts (Communication) online completion program ^[20]	Chair, Department of Communication ^[21]	Dr. Ben Triana ^[22]	PhD (Communication) ; ^[23] 5 years of relevant experience; well published in the area of communication, teaching experience at other higher education institutions
Bachelor of Arts (Communication and Digital Arts) ^[24]	Chair, Department of Communication ^[21]	Dr. Ben Triana ^[22]	PhD (Communication) ; ^[23] 5 years of relevant experience; well published in the area of communication, teaching experience at other higher education institutions
Bachelor of Arts (English) ^[25]	Chair, Department of English ^[26]	Dr. Andrew Geyer ^[27]	PhD (English) ; ^[28] more than 25 years of higher education experience; tenured Professor of English

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Bachelor of Arts (Fine Arts) ^[29]	Chair, Department of Visual & Performing Arts ^[30]	Dr. Joel Scrapper ^[31]	DMA (Music) ; ^[32] 13 years of relevant experience; tenured Associate Professor of Music
Bachelor of Arts (History) ^[33]	Chair, Department of History, Political Science & Philosophy ^[34]	Dr. Elizabeth Georgian ^[35]	PhD (History) ; ^[36] 10 years of relevant experience; tenured Associate Professor of History
Bachelor of Arts (Music) ^[37]	Chair, Department of Visual & Performing Arts ^[30]	Dr. Joel Scrapper ^[31]	DMA (Music) ; ^[32] 13 years of relevant experience; tenured Associate Professor of Music
Bachelor of Arts (Political Science) ^[38]	Chair, Department of History, Political Science & Philosophy ^[34]	Dr. Elizabeth Georgian ^[35]	PhD (History) ; ^[36] 10 years of relevant experience; tenured Associate Professor of History
Bachelor of Arts (Sociology) ^[39]	Chair, Department of Sociology ^[40]	Dr. Christine Wernet ^[41]	PhD (Sociology) ; ^[42] 26 years of relevant experience; tenured Professor of Sociology
Bachelor of Arts in Education (Early Childhood Education) ^[43]	Early Childhood Education Director ^[44]	Dr. Sally McClellan ^[45]	PhD (Education) ; ^[46] 15 years of relevant experience; tenured Associate Professor of Early Childhood Education
Bachelor of Arts in Education (Early Childhood Education) Salkehatchie Campus ^[43]	Salkehatchie Education Coordinator ^[47]	Dr. Patricia Fears ^[48]	EdD (Education) ; ^[49] 14 years of relevant experience; tenure-track Assistant Professor of Education
Bachelor of Arts in Education (Early Childhood Education) Sumter Campus ^[43]	Sumter Education Coordinator ^[50]	Dr. Christina Lunsman ^[51]	PhD (Teacher Education) ; ^[52] 3 years of relevant higher education experience; Coordinator and Instructor of Education
Bachelor of Arts in Education (Elementary Education) ^[53]	Elementary Education Director ^[54]	Dr. Deborah McMurtrie ^[55]	PhD (Foundations of Education) ; ^[56] 5 years of relevant experience; tenure-track Assistant Professor of Education
Bachelor of Arts in Education (Elementary Education) Salkehatchie Campus ^[53]	Salkehatchie Education Coordinator ^[47]	Dr. Patricia Fears ^[48]	EdD (Education) ; ^[49] 14 years of relevant experience; tenure-track Assistant Professor of Education
Bachelor of Arts in Education (Elementary Education) Sumter Campus ^[53]	Sumter Education Coordinator ^[50]	Dr. Christina Lunsman ^[51]	PhD (Teacher Education) ; ^[52] 3 years of relevant higher education experience; Coordinator and Instructor of Education

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Bachelor of Arts in Education (Middle Level Education) ^[57]	Middle Level Education Director ^[58]	Dr. Deborah McMurtrie ^[55]	PhD (Foundations of Education) ; ^[56] 5 years of relevant experience; tenure-track Assistant Professor of Education
Bachelor of Arts in Education (Secondary Education – Comprehensive Social Studies) ^[59]	Social Studies Education Director ^[60]	Dr. Timothy Lintner ^[61]	PhD (Education) ; ^[62] 20 years of relevant experience; tenured Professor of Social Sciences and Comparative Education
Bachelor of Arts in Education (Secondary Education – English) ^[63]	Dean, School of Education ^[64]	vacant, currently handled by Dr. Judy Beck ^[65]	PhD (Curriculum and Instruction) ; ^[66] 25 years of relevant experience; tenured Professor of Science Education
Bachelor of Arts in Interdisciplinary Studies (Interdisciplinary Studies) ^[67]	Coordinator of Interdisciplinary Studies ^[68]	Prof. Natalia Bowdoin ^[69]	MLS (Library Sciences) ^[70] and MA (Language, Reading & Culture) ; ^[70] 13 years of relevant experience; tenured Associate Professor of the Library
Bachelor of Arts in Special Education (Special Education) ^[71]	Special Education Director ^[72]	Dr. Melissa Martin ^[73]	PhD (Special Education) ; ^[74] 4 years of relevant experience; Assistant Professor of Education
Bachelor of Arts in Special Education (Special Education) online completion program ^[75]	Special Education Director ^[72]	Dr. Melissa Martin ^[73]	PhD (Special Education) ; ^[74] 4 years of relevant experience; Assistant Professor of Education
Bachelor of Fine Arts (Writing) ^[76]	Chair, Department of English ^[26]	Dr. Andrew Geyer ^[27]	PhD (English) ; ^[28] 25 years of relevant experience; tenured Professor of English
Bachelor of Science (Applied Computer Science) ^[77]	Chair, Department of Mathematical Sciences and Engineering ^[78]	Dr. Mohammad Hailat ^[79]	PhD (Mathematics) ; ^[80] 21 years of relevant experience; tenured Professor of Mathematics
Bachelor of Science (Applied Computer Science) online completion program ^[77]	Chair, Department of Mathematical Sciences and Engineering ^[78]	Dr. Mohammad Hailat ^[79]	PhD (Mathematics) ; ^[80] 21 years of relevant experience; tenured Professor of Mathematics
Bachelor of Science (Applied Mathematics) ^[81]	Chair, Department of Mathematical Sciences and Engineering ^[78]	Dr. Mohammad Hailat ^[79]	PhD (Mathematics) ; ^[80] 21 years of relevant experience; tenured Professor of Mathematics

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Bachelor of Science (Chemistry) ^[83]	Chair, Department of Chemistry and Physics ^[17]	Dr. Gerard Rowe ^[18]	PhD (Inorganic and Bioinorganic Chemistry) ; ^[19] 8 years of relevant experience; tenure Associate Professor of Chemistry
Bachelor of Science (Clinical Laboratory Science) ^[84]	Chair, Department of Biology and Geology ^[13]	Dr. William Jackson ^[14]	PhD (Immunology and Microbiology) ; ^[15] 30 years of relevant experience in higher education, tenured Professor of Immunology
Bachelor of Science (Earth Systems Science) ^[85]	Earth Systems Science Coordinator ^[86]	Dr. Kelly Gibson ^[87]	PhD (Marine Geology and Geophysics) ; ^[88] 8 years of relevant experience
Bachelor of Science (Exercise and Sports Science) ^[89]	Chair, Department of Exercise and Sports Science ^[90]	Dr. Chris DeWitt ^[91]	PhD (Biomedical Sciences) ; ^[92] 35 years of relevant experience; tenured Professor of Exercise Science
Bachelor of Science (Industrial Process Engineering) ^[93]	Engineering Program Coordinator ^[94]	Dr. Bethany Fralick ^[95]	PhD (Mechanical Engineering) ; ^[96] 7 years of relevant experience; Assistant Professor of Engineering
Bachelor of Science (Psychology) ^[97]	Chair, Department of Psychology ^[98]	Dr. Edward Callen ^[99]	PhD (Experimental Psychology) ; ^[100] 30 years of relevant experience; tenured Professor of Psychology
Bachelor of Science (Psychology) online completion program ^[97]	Chair, Department of Psychology ^[98]	Dr. Edward Callen ^[99]	PhD (Experimental Psychology) ; ^[100] 30 years of relevant experience; tenured Professor of Psychology
Bachelor of Science in Business Administration (Business Administration) ^[101]	Dean, School of Business Administration ^[102]	Dr. Mick Fekula ^[103]	PhD (Business Administration – Management) ; ^[104] 33 years of relevant experience; tenured Professor
Bachelor of Science in Business Administration (Business Administration) Sumter campus ^[101]	Dean, School of Business Administration ^[102]	vacant, currently handled by Dr. Mick Fekula ^[103]	PhD (Business Administration – Management) ; ^[104] 33 years of relevant experience; tenured Professor

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Bachelor of Science in Business Administration (Business Administration) online completion program ^[105]	Dean, School of Business Administration ^[102]	Dr. Mick Fekula ^[103]	PhD (Business Administration – Management) ; ^[104] 33 years of relevant experience; tenured Professor
Bachelor of Science in Education (Secondary Education – Biology) ^[106]	Dean, School of Education and Science Education Coordinator ^[64]	Dr. Judy Beck ^[65]	PhD (Curriculum and Instruction) ; ^[66] 25 years of relevant experience; tenured Professor of Science Education
Bachelor of Science in Education (Secondary Education – Chemistry) ^[107]	Dean, School of Education and Science Education Coordinator ^[64]	Dr. Judy Beck ^[65]	PhD (Curriculum and Instruction) ; ^[66] 25 years of relevant experience; tenured Professor of Science Education
Bachelor of Science in Education (Secondary Education – Mathematics) ^[108]	Mathematics Education Director ^[109]	Dr. Bridget Coleman ^[110]	PhD (Elementary Education) ; ^[111] 20 years of relevant experience; tenured Professor of Elementary Education
Bachelor of Science in Interdisciplinary Studies (Interdisciplinary Studies) ^[112]	Coordinator of Interdisciplinary Studies ^[68]	Prof. Natalia Bowdoin ^[69]	MLS (Library Sciences) ^[70] and MA (Language, Reading & Culture) ; ^[70] 13 years of relevant experience; tenured Associate Professor of the Library
Bachelor of Science in Nursing (Nursing) ^[113]	Dean, School of Nursing ^[114]	Dr. Thayer McGahee ^[115]	PhD (Nursing) ; ^[116] 26 years of relevant experience; tenured Professor of Nursing
Bachelor of Science in Nursing (RN to BSN) online completion program ^[117]	Dean, School of Nursing ^[114]	Dr. Thayer McGahee ^[115]	PhD (Nursing) ; ^[116] 26 years of relevant experience; tenured Professor of Nursing
Bachelor of Science in Nursing (Nursing) Sumter campus ^[113]	Sumter Nursing Coordinator ^[118]	Prof. Tina Simenson ^[119]	MSN (Nursing) ; ^[120] 17 years of relevant nurse management experience; 36 years of experience as a nurse
Bachelor of Science in Nursing (Nursing) Union campus ^[113]	Union Nursing Coordinator ^[121]	Prof. Lynn Edwards ^[122]	MSN (Nursing) ; ^[123] 12 years of relevant experience; Nurse Administrator on the USC Union campus
Master of Education (Educational Technology) online program joint with USC Columbia ^[124]	Education Graduate Director ^[125]	Dr. Erin Besser ^[126]	PhD (Learning Design and Technology) ; ^[127] 4 years of relevant experience; tenure-track Assistant Professor of Learning Design and Technology

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Master of Education (Educator Leadership) online program ^[128]	Education Graduate Director ^[125]	Dr. Erin Besser ^[126]	PhD (Learning Design and Technology) ; ^[127] 4 years of relevant experience; tenure-track Assistant Professor of Learning Design and Technology
Master of Science (Applied Clinical Psychology) ^[129]	Psychology Graduate Director ^[130]	Dr. Jane Stafford ^[131]	PhD (Clinical Psychology) ; ^[132] 14 years of relevant experience; tenured Professor of Psychology
Master of Business Administration (Business Administration) online program ^[133]	Business Graduate Director ^[134]	Dr. Linda Rodriguez ^[135]	PhD (Business Administration) ; ^[136] 12 years of relevant experience; tenured Associate Professor of Management

Supporting Documentation

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