# For determination of whether or not new degree program is a substantive change and meets the standard of significantly different:

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| Name of Program (s) |  |

A program that is not closely related to previously approved programs at the institution or site or for the mode of delivery in question. To determine whether a new program is a “significant departure,” it is helpful to consider the following questions:

What previously approved programs does the institution offer that are closely related to the new program and how are they related?

* Will significant additional equipment or facilities be needed?
* Will significant additional financial resources be needed?
* Will a significant number of new courses will be required?
* Will a significant number of new faculty members will be required?
* Will significant additional library/learning resources be needed?

If you’re not sure whether or not what you are proposing is a substantive change, feel free to contact the Office of Accreditation at 865-974-3635 or email [SACS\_Liaison@utk.edu](mailto:SACS_Liaison@utk.edu).