Curriculum changes (new degrees, degree modifications and course actions) originate in the academic program/department. After approval by the departmental faculty, changes are reviewed and approved by the college curriculum committee. The curriculum requests are submitted to the Office of Academic Affairs semiannually, mid-December for spring of the following year and August for summer/fall of the following year. All requests are reviewed by the Associate Vice President for Undergraduate Education and requests for changes in graduate courses are reviewed by the Associate Dean of the Graduate College. Requests for new graduate degrees are approved by the Graduate Council. Course action summaries and degree requests are then reviewed by the Instruction Council (Associate Deans for Instruction) for Oklahoma State University. The requests are reviewed and approved by the Council of Deans. Requests for new degrees and degree modifications are sent to the A&M Board of Regents for approval. Once the A&M Board approves the requests, the President sends the requests to the Chancellor asking for approval from the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education Board.