Type of Proposal	NYSED Review Required?	Steps in the Approval Process Please see the steps listed on the following page for more information.	Time to Approval (from upload to APAS with school approval through NYSED registration, if required)	Notes GSAS behal subm guida pathv
 Non-substantive changes: Credit change that is 1/3 or less the number of total credits of the program Changes at the individual course level (updates to syllabi, change in course title, offering additional options for fulfilling course requirements, etc.) 	No	Step 1	2-4 weeks approximately	It is ex accura chang admin consu furthe
 Substantive change to an existing program, including but not limited to: Credit change that is 1/3 or more of the total number of credits in the program New or modified concentration or track Change in program title Change in a requirement for graduation (i.e., eliminate a language requirement, add or remove a seminar) Change in program format (accelerated, full-time/part-time, distance education) 	Yes	Steps 1-4	2-10 months approximately, depending on the reviews that are required	Depar centra deterr to the by NYS NYSED inform Promp depart help to
 New program, including: New degree program (MS, MA, MPhil, PhD, or other doctoral degree) New Certificate New Certification of Professional Achievement (CPA) New degree from a track in an existing program 	Yes	For new degree programs, new certificate programs, and new degrees from a track in an existing program, steps 1-4 For certificates of professional achievement (CPAs), steps 1-3	12-15 months approximately	

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Steps in the Approval Process

- 1. SCHOOL APPROVAL
 - Executive Committee (GSAS)
 - School Dean
- 2. SCHOOL ENGAGEMENT WITH APAS (GSAS on behalf of the department)
 - Initiate appropriate workflow
 - Upload appropriate forms

3. UNIVERSITY APPROVALS

- OVPAP
- University Registrar
- Vice Provost for Teaching, Learning, and Innovation (for all programs involving distance education)
- School deans (decanal review)
- University Senate
- University Librarian
- 4. NEW YORK STATE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT (NYSED)

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