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ITEM 200-101-R0522

Revision to BOR 301.19 – Prior Learning Assessment (PLA)

THAT

The Board of Regents approves revisions to BOR Policy 301.19 – Prior Learning Assessment (PLA) to better align with Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities, NWCCU, accreditation standards.

EXPLANATION

The proposed changes would update Board Policy to align with NWCCU accreditation standards, following their removal of a standardized Prior Learning Assessment cap in 2020. A PLA cap may remain in place at institutional discretion, assuming an ability to demonstrate why a cap is warranted. The proposed changes also seek to align PLA fees across MUS institutions and Montana Community Colleges. Additionally, the proposed changes remove the MUS PLA Council and replace it with oversight from the Common Course Numbering Committee.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment #1: Proposed Revisions to Policy 301.19