



**MONTANA UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**  
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**TO:** Board of Regents  
**FROM:** Joyce A. Scott, Deputy Commissioner for Academic & Student Affairs  
**SUBJECT:** Level I Announcements & Approvals

This memo is to inform you of the Level I changes in academic programs approved in the Office of the Commissioner of Higher Education since the last Board of Regents meeting. We have added item numbers to make it easier to track changes. I will be happy to answer questions about these changes.

**Montana State University:**

- 116-2005+R0702** Request to establish an Option in Paleontology within the existing Bachelor of Science degree in Earth Science; Montana State University-Bozeman.
- 116-2016+R0702** Request to extend its existing Bachelor of Science in Nursing to Kalispell in cooperation with Flathead Valley Community College, Kalispell Regional Hospital and North Valley Hospital (Whitefish, MT). This program will serve cohorts of students by offering all junior and senior level nursing courses in the Flathead Valley beginning January 2003. The partnership leading to degree delivery was formed in May 2000. Montana State University-Bozeman.
- 116-2851+R0702** Request to change the Department of Related Instruction to the Department of Arts and Sciences; Montana State University-Great Falls, College of Technology.
- 116-2852+R0702** Request to change the Department of Allied Health to the Department of Health Sciences; Montana State University-Great Falls, College of Technology.

**University of Montana:**

- 116-1502+R0702** Request from Montana Tech to offer the *Master of Science in Industrial Hygiene* via online delivery. The degree will be one of only three distance delivery masters I.H. programs in the entire United States. The program started in 1983 and has graduated approximately 90 graduate students.
- 116-1503A+R0702** Request to convert the current Associate of Science in Nursing (ASN) degree "Bridge Program" to a traditional *72-Credit ASN model*: Montana Tech of The University of Montana.

In addition, the University of Montana-Missoula gives notice that two programs in the College of Technology have been placed on moratorium status: AAS in Medical Laboratory Assisting and the AAS in Barbering. Both programs have had low enrollments and limited employment opportunities for graduates.

Pc: Commissioner Crofts, Presidents, Chancellors, Deans