

## MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** November 18, 2004

**TO:** Montana Board of Regents

**FROM:** Roger Barber, Deputy Commissioner for Academic & Student Affairs

**SUBJECT:** Level I Approvals and Announcements

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This memorandum is intended to inform you of the Level I changes in academic programs that have been approved in the Office of the Commissioner of Higher Education since the last meeting of the Board of Regents. It also includes announcements that may be of interest to the Board. If you have any questions, I would be happy to answer them with the help of my colleagues in academic affairs.

### **The University of Montana-Missoula College of Technology:**

- **ITEM 122-1019+R0104:** The University of Montana-Missoula College of Technology filed a Notice of Intent to terminate its Associate of Applied Science degree in Medical Laboratory Technology at the January 2004 meeting of the Board of Regents. That Notice of Intent was included in the Level I memorandum distributed to the Board at the January meeting. All of the steps in the termination process have been completed; and The University of Montana-Missoula College of Technology has filed a program termination checklist with the Office of the Commissioner of Higher Education. Sixty (60) days have also elapsed since the Notice of Intent was included in the January 2004 Level I memorandum. The Associate of Applied Science degree in Medical Laboratory Technology is, therefore, eliminated from The University of Montana-Missoula College of Technology's degree and program inventory.
- **ITEM 122-1018+R0104:** The University of Montana-Missoula College of Technology filed a Notice of Intent to terminate its Certificate program in Barbering Styling at the January 2004 meeting of the Board of Regents. That Notice of Intent was included in the Level I memorandum distributed to the Board at the January meeting. All of the steps in the termination process have been completed; and The

University of Montana-Missoula College of Technology has filed a program termination checklist with the Office of the Commissioner of Higher Education. Sixty (60) days have also elapsed since the Notice of Intent was included in the January 2004 Level I memorandum. The Certificate program in Barbering Styling is, therefore, eliminated from The University of Montana-Missoula College of Technology's degree and program inventory.

### **Montana State University-Bozeman:**

- **ITEM 125-2002+R1104:** Montana State University-Bozeman requested that the name of the Community Health option, in the Bachelor of Science degree in Health and Human Development, be changed to *Community Health Education*. The name change more accurately describes the program, and reflects the current nomenclature of the discipline.

### **Montana State University-Billings:**

- **ITEM 125-2701+R1004:** Montana State University-Billings requested permission to offer a minor in Information Systems. MSU-Billings currently has an option in Information Systems, as part of its Business Administration degree program. The new minor would provide students, who are not majoring in Business Administration, the opportunity to add an Information Systems credential to their program of study and official transcript. The Level I request is a bit unusual, since MSU-Billings does not have a major in Information Systems. An option in the area means that the institution offers extensive coursework in the subject, however. Since that coursework already exists, and since the minor request opens those classes up to more students, I approved the request as a Level I change.
- **ITEM 125-2702+R1104:** Montana State University-Billings requested permission to offer a minor in Accounting. MSU-Billings currently has an option in Accounting, as part of its Business Administration degree program. It does not have a major in Accounting, however. The rationale for the new minor is the same as the previous item; and my reason for approving it, as a Level I change, is also the same.
- **ITEM 125-2703+R1104:** Montana State University-Billings requested permission to offer a minor in Finance. MSU-Billings currently has an option in Finance, as part of its Business Administration degree program. It does not have a major in Finance, however. The rationale for the new minor is the same as the previous two (2) items; and my reason for approving it, as a Level I change, is also the same as those previous items.

- [ITEM 125-2704+R1104](#): Montana State University-Billings requested permission to offer a minor in Marketing. MSU-Billings currently has an option in Marketing, as part of its Business Administration degree program. It does not have a major in Marketing, however. The rationale for the new minor is the same as the previous three (3) items; and my reason for approving it, as a Level I change, is also the same as those previous items.

**Flathead Valley Community College:**

- [ITEM 125-300+R1104](#): Flathead Valley Community College asked that the name of its Associate of Applied Science degree in Management Information Systems be changed to *Information Technology*.
- [ITEM 125-301+R1104](#): Flathead Valley Community College asked that the name of its two (2) Certificates in Management Information Systems be changed to *Information Technology*.
- [ITEM 125-302+R1104](#): Flathead Valley Community College requested that its current Associate of Applied Science degree in Web Technology be changed to an option in Web Technology under the newly-christened Associate of Applied Science degree in *Information Technology*. The appropriate Level II paperwork was submitted as part of this request.