

COMMISSION FOR HIGHER EDUCATION

Friday, June 10, 2011

DECISION ITEM A-3: Academic Degree Programs on Which Staff Propose Expedited Action

Staff Recommendation

That the Commission for Higher Education approve by consent the following degree programs, in accordance with the background information provided in this agenda item:

- Bachelor of Science in Nursing (Completion) to be offered by Indiana University East at New Castle
- Bachelor of Arts in History to be offered by Indiana University East at Richmond
- Technical Certificate in Dental Assisting to be offered by Ivy Tech Community College-South Bend at South Bend
- Associate of Science in Pre-Engineering to be offered by Ivy Tech Community College at South Bend, Warsaw, Fort Wayne, and Indianapolis
- Associate of Science in Engineering Technology to be offered by Ivy Tech Community College at Valparaiso, Warsaw, Fort Wayne, and Sellersburg

Background

At its August and September 2004 meetings, the Commission for Higher Education began implementing a new policy on new academic degree programs on which staff proposes expedited action. These programs meet the criteria identified in that policy and are hereby presented for action by consent, in accordance with the aforementioned policy and the information presented in the supporting documents.

Supporting Documents

- (1) *Background Information on Academic Degree Programs on Which Staff Propose Expedited Action, May 27, 2011*
- (2) *Policy for New Academic Degree Programs on Which Staff Propose Expedited Action, September 2, 2004*

Background Information on Academic Degree Programs on Which Staff Propose Expedited Action

May 27, 2011

CHE 11-03 Bachelor of Science in Nursing (Completion) to be offered by Indiana University East at New Castle

Proposal received on March 7, 2011
CIP Code: Federal – 513801; State – 513898
Projected Annual Headcount: 40; FTEs: 43; Degrees: 20
New State Funds Requested, Actual:
Year 1: \$ 0
Year 2: \$ 0
Year 3: \$ 0
Year 4: \$ 0
Year 5: \$ 0

An articulation agreement with Ivy Tech Community College exists for this program. Approval of the B.S. in Nursing (Completion) is consistent with the regional campus agreement.

CHE 11-06 Bachelor of Arts in History to be offered by Indiana University East at Richmond

Proposal received on March 7, 2011
CIP Code: Federal – 540101; State – 540101
Projected Annual Headcount: 92; FTEs: 64; Degrees: 52
New State Funds Requested, Actual:
Year 1: \$ 0
Year 2: \$ 0
Year 3: \$ 0
Year 4: \$ 0
Year 5: \$ 0

An articulation agreement with Ivy Tech Community College exists for this program. Approval of the B.A. in History is consistent with the regional campus agreement.

CHE 11-08 Technical Certificate in Dental Assisting to be offered by Ivy Tech Community College-South Bend at South Bend

Proposal received on April 7, 2011
CIP Code: Federal – 510601; State – 510601
Projected Annual Headcount: 24; FTEs: 24; Degrees: 23
New State Funds Requested, Actual:
Year 1: \$ 0
Year 2: \$ 0
Year 3: \$ 0
Year 4: \$ 0
Year 5: \$ 0

Ivy Tech is currently authorized to offer Dental Assisting programs at the certificate and/or associate degree level in five regions. The College also offers an A.S. in Dental Assisting in South Bend, which enrolled 77 students in FY2010.

CHE 11-13 Associate of Science in Pre-Engineering to be offered by Ivy Tech Community College at South Bend, Warsaw, Fort Wayne, and Indianapolis

Proposal received on April 28, 2011
CIP Code: Federal – 140102; State – 140102

South Bend

Projected Annual Headcount: 53; FTEs: 38; Degrees: 12

Warsaw

Projected Annual Headcount: 30; FTEs: 25; Degrees: 7

Fort Wayne

Projected Annual Headcount: 65; FTEs: 50; Degrees: 15

Indianapolis

Projected Annual Headcount: 85; FTEs: 66; Degrees: 20

New State Funds Requested, Actual:

Year 1: \$ 0

Year 2: \$ 0

Year 3: \$ 0

Year 4: \$ 0

Year 5: \$ 0

The Commission approved the first A.S. in Pre-Engineering programs for Ivy Tech in May 2006. Articulation agreements with four public campuses are in place for these programs.

CHE 11-15 Associate of Science in Engineering Technology to be offered by Ivy Tech Community College at Valparaiso, Warsaw, Fort Wayne, and Sellersburg

Proposal received on May 4, 2011
CIP Code: Federal – 150000; State – 150000

Valparaiso

Projected Annual Headcount: 47; FTEs: 34; Degrees: 11

Warsaw

Projected Annual Headcount: 26; FTEs: 21; Degrees: 6

Fort Wayne

Projected Annual Headcount: 47; FTEs: 34; Degrees: 11

Sellersburg

Projected Annual Headcount: 26; FTEs: 21; Degrees: 6

New State Funds Requested, Actual:

Year 1: \$ 0

Year 2: \$ 0

Year 3: \$ 0

Year 4: \$ 0

Year 5: \$ 0

The Commission approved the first A.S. in Engineering Technology programs for Ivy Tech in March 2010. Articulation agreements with the Purdue University B.S. in Engineering Technology offered through Purdue Statewide Technology are in place for these programs.

Policy for New Academic Degree Programs on Which Staff Propose Expedited Action

September 2, 2004

Pursuant to the Commission's desire to expedite action on new academic degree program requests whenever possible, the staff has identified a set of factors, which though not exhaustive, suggest when a request might be considered for expedited action by consent and when a request would require Commission consideration prior to action. With respect to the latter, the presence of one or more of the following factors might suggest a significant policy issue for which Commission attention is needed before action can be taken:

- Consistency with the mission of the campus or institution
- Transfer of credit
- New program area
- New degree level for a campus
- Accreditation
- Unnecessary duplication of resources
- Significant investment of state resources

In the absence of these factors or an objection from another institution, Commission staff will propose expedited action on new program requests. Examples of situations that pose no policy issues for the Commission include, but are not limited to:

- Adding a second degree designation to an existing program (e.g. A.S. to an A.A.S.)
- Delivering an on-campus program to an off-campus site through faculty available on-site or traveling to the site
- Adding a degree elsewhere in a multi-campus system to a new campus within the system.

All requests to offer new academic degree programs must continue to be accompanied by a full program proposal, unless otherwise specified in the guidelines. It is only after a proposal is received that a determination will be suggested as to how the request might be handled.