

SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF REGENTS

Academic and Student Affairs
Consent

AGENDA ITEM: 7 – N
DATE: June 21-22, 2023

SUBJECT

Intent to Plan Requests

CONTROLLING STATUTE, RULE, OR POLICY

BOR Policy 2:23 – New Programs, Program Modifications, Curricular Requests, and Inactivation/Termination

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION

Per BOR Policy 2:23, Intent to Plan requests are reviewed by the Executive Director (or designee) and if approved to the next step are then reviewed by the Academic Affairs Council for feedback, consultation, and possible collaboration. BOR academic leadership then provides a report to the Board’s Committee on Academic and Student Affairs regarding submitted Intent to Plan requests with a report to the full Board placed under the Consent section of the agenda as a routine informational item. The approval of an Intent to Plan proposal does not overwrite the Full Proposal process and does not guarantee approval of the Full Proposal by the Board.

IMPACT AND RECOMMENDATION

This report will provide the intent to plans that were approved by the Executive Director and will be followed by a full proposal in a future Board meeting.

1. NSU – BSEd in Science Education

The proposed BSEd would provide a path to teaching certification in multiple science disciplines through one comprehensive major. NSU’s science education degree would prepare individuals through content knowledge and practical experiences to teach a wide range of science courses. Upon completion of this program, individuals learn a combination of biological, physical, geographical, chemical, and earth sciences and can share the excitement of general science at the middle and high school level.

2. NSU – MS in Strategic Innovation and Leadership

The proposed MS would prepare students to analyze and lead an organization’s ability to innovate. In this program, students will study dynamics of innovation, leadership theories, design thinking, creativity, decision making, communications,

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and team dynamics. Graduates will be prepared to lead organizational change, drive business growth, add customer value, and create competitive advantage through innovation.

ATTACHMENTS

None