

Item: <u>AS: I-2</u>

COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS Tuesday, April 20, 2021

SUBJECT: ACADEMIC PROGRAM COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

PROPOSED COMMITTEE ACTION

No action is necessary. This item is only informational.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

As a follow-up to prior discussions by the BOT Committee on Academic and Student Affairs, Dr. Bret Danilowicz, provost and vice president for academic affairs, charged an Academic Program Committee to develop criteria by which academic programs will be evaluated and prioritized. At a CASA workshop on April 6, trustees reviewed metrics related to program performance. Additionally, the metrics will empower the university to identify lists of programs that should receive additional resources for growth, programs that should be consolidated, as well as programs that should be phased out. During this update, Provost Danilowicz will also advise the trustees of the specific recommendations related to changes in FAU's academic program inventory.

IMPLEMENTATION PLAN/DATE

The academic program process moves through colleges, faculty senate, provost, president, then the Board of Trustees Trustees. When a program is removed from the inventory, it generally takes 3 years to phase out instruction of a program, as students must be graduated.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

While the financial savings associated with program terminations may be small, the Academic Programs Committee also recommends a regular review of academic program performance that directly results in adding or reviewing resources. These adjustments occur as part of the Division of Academic Affairs annual budget allocation process under the purview of the provost.

Supporting Documentation: N/A

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