

**BOARD OF REGENTS and its
ACADEMIC, RESEARCH AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
NEVADA SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION**

Videoconference/Teleconference
Thursday, September 10, 2020

Members Present: Dr. Jason Geddes, Chair

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2. Approved-Consent Items – The Committee recommended approval of the following consent items:
 - (2a.) Approved-Minutes – The Committee recommended approval of the minutes from the June 11, 2020, meeting (*Ref. ARSA-2a on file in the Board Office*).
 - (2b.) Approved-UNLV – Program Elimination, BS Urban and Regional Planning – The Committee recommended approval to eliminate the Bachelor of Science in Urban and Regional Planning due to no enrollment in the program (*Ref. ARSA-2b on file in the Board Office*).
 - (2c.) Approved-UNLV – Program Change, BA World Languages and Culture – The Committee recommended approval to consolidate its Bachelor of Arts in French, German, and Roman Languages by establishing an overarching Bachelor of Arts in World Languages and Cultures with separate tracks for the specific languages. The proposed new structure combines specific language and cultural proficiency with a broader focus tied to the overriding idea of the importance of language and cultural study in an age of globalization (*Ref. ARSA-2c on file in the Board Office*).

Regent Perkins moved approval of the consent items. Regent McAdoo seconded. Motion carried. Vice Chair Carter and Regent Trachok were absent.

3. Approved-NSC – Program Proposal, BA and BS Interdisciplinary Data Science – The Committee recommended approval of NSC’s request for a Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science in Interdisciplinary Data Science. The Bachelor of Arts in Data Science is designed for students that intend to enter the job market immediately upon graduation. The Bachelor of Science in Data Science is suited for students that may be considering a more technical career pathway or graduate school (*Ref. ARSA-3 on file in the Board Office*).

Dr. Vickie Shields, Provost and Executive Vice President, NSC, provided a brief overview of the proposal.

Regent Perkins asked if the program is readily transferrable if students choose to pursue a master’s degree. Dr. Shields answered yes and said UNLV will be bringing forward a master’s program for data science and data analysis.

Regent Perkins moved approval of a Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science in Interdisciplinary Data Science at NSC. Regent McAdoo seconded. Motion carried. Vice Chair Carter and Regent Trachok were absent.

4. Approved-UNR – Program Proposal, BS Psychology (Agenda Item 5) – The Committee recommended approval of UNR’s request for a Bachelor of Science in Psychology. The program will prepare students wishing to pursue careers in medicine, health sciences, social sciences, or other scientific graduate study programs. Graduates of the Psychology BS will have both basic research and applied skills in the study of the mind and behavior (*Ref. ARSA-5 on file in the Board Office*).

Dr. Kevin Carman, Executive Vice President and Provost, UNR, provided a brief overview of the proposal.

Regent Perkins shared her appreciation for the information provided on the correlation and continuum among the community colleges.

Regent McAdoo moved approval of a Bachelor of Science in Psychology. Regent Perkins seconded. Motion carried. Vice Chair Carter and Regent Trachok were absent.

5. Approved-UNR – Program Proposal, MS Kinesiology (Agenda Item 6) – The Committee recommended approval of UNR’s request for a Master of Science in Kinesiology. This program will provide a graduate degree with many potential options for careers and can enhance the competitiveness for admission to the professional schools. The MS proposed will fulfill requirements for obtaining professional certification that allows for many options to create and support activity programs in the community (*Ref. ARSA-6 on file in the Board Office*).

Dr. Carman provided a brief overview of the proposal.

Regent McAdoo commented on the necessity of the proposed program, and the importance of advancing more physical therapists and other related professions to strengthen healthcare in Nevada.

Regent McAdoo moved approval of a Master of Science in Kinesiology at UNR. Regent Perkins seconded. Motion carried. Vice Chair Carter and Regent Trachok were absent.

6. Approved-Handbook BT0 gd5 BD edf6 (s)-d()Tj0.004 Tc 0.004 Tjf 12 edtnecove 0.003 Twl2h-0.000

6. Approved-Handbook Revision, Program Enrollment Prohibition (Agenda Item 7)
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Ms. Crystal Abba, Vice Chancellor, Academic and Student Affairs, provided a brief overview of the policy revision.

Regent Perkins moved approval of the proposed *Handbook* revision. Regent McAdoo seconded. Motion carried. Vice Chair Carter and Regent Trachok were absent.

7. Information Only-2018-19 NSHE Financial Aid Report (Agenda Item 8) – Assistant Vice Chancellor Renee Davis presented highlights from the 2018-19 NSHE Financial Aid Report, including data on financial aid programs and awards distributed across the System. In addition, the presentation included general information on the variety of federal aid programs available to support students (Refs. ARSA-8a and ARSA-8b on file in the Board Office).

Ms. Renee Davis presented a report which inc.9 (r)3 (t)-2 (w)1(t)-2 (i)-2 (on i)-2 (nc)4 (lR-7 (en)-4 (

9. Approved-2019 Transfer and Articulation Audit: Report and Recommendations (Agenda Item 10) – *(continued)*

Regent Trachok entered the meeting.

Vice Chair Carter moved approval of the report and recommendations from the 2019 Transfer and Articulation Audit. Regent McAdoo seconded. Motion carried.

10. Approved-TMCC – Program Proposal, Registered Nurse to Bachelor of Science in Nursing (Agenda Item 4) – The Committee recommended approval of TMCC’s request for a Registered Nurse to Bachelor of Science in Nursing. The RN-BSN is a professional degree completion program designed for students wishing to continue their nursing education after completion of an associate degree in nursing and will meet the needs of nurses wanting to advance their degrees *(Ref. ARSA-4 on file in the Board Office)*.

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