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MEMORANDUM

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TO: Montana Board of Regents
FROM: Roger Barber, Deputy Commissioner for Academic & Student Affairs
SUBJECT: Level II Submissions

A modest number of new academic proposals have been submitted by the campuses of the Montana University System, under the Level II approval process. Those proposals will be reviewed by the academic officers, at this meeting, and will move to the action agenda of the Montana Board of Regents at subsequent meetings. The new proposals include the following:

Montana State University-Bozeman:

[ITEM 123-2005-R0504](#): Montana State University-Bozeman has requested authority to create a new College, entitled University College. The new entity would bring several campus-wide academic programs under one umbrella. Those programs are: the University Honors Program, the Undergraduate Scholars Program, General Studies, Directed Interdisciplinary Studies and the recently approved Liberal Studies degree. Currently, none of these programs reside in one of the existing eight colleges at MSU-Bozeman. Instead, they are listed as “special academic opportunities” in the institution’s catalogue; or in the case of the new Liberal Studies degree, it is simply included as part of the program information. MSU-Bozeman predicts that this reorganization can be accomplished without any additional cost to the institution. This reorganization has been submitted as a Level II change, since it involves the creation of a new College at MSU-Bozeman. The campuses of the Montana University System, and the Office of the Commissioner of Higher Education, could use some guidance from the Montana Board of Regents on the kinds of structural changes it wishes to review under the Level II process, however.

The University of Montana-Missoula:

[ITEM 123-1010-R0504](#): The University of Montana-Missoula requests permission to establish The Montana Center for the Investigation and Treatment of Childhood Trauma at the Division of Educational Research and Service, in cooperation with the Department of Psychology. The Division of Educational Research and Service has been in existence at The University of Montana since 1957. The creation of this Center is actually the expansion of an existing program within the Division, and is made possible by a Federal grant program to create a network of child trauma centers throughout the United States.

[ITEM 123-1001-R0504](#): The University of Montana-Missoula College of Technology has asked that its Associate of Applied Science degree in Radiologic Technology be made a permanent part of its degree inventory. That program was approved by the Montana Board of Regents, under the temporary, two-year approval process, in May 2002. The request from The University of Montana-Missoula College of Technology also includes permission to offer its Radiologic Technology program in collaboration with the College of Technology at Montana Tech of The University of Montana. Details concerning that collaboration are described in a subsequent section of this memorandum.

Montana Tech of The University of Montana:

[ITEM 123-1502-R0504:](#) The College of Technology at Montana Tech of The University of Montana has requested permission to establish an Associate of Applied Science degree in Historic Preservation Technology.

[ITEM 123-1001-R0504:](#) The College of Technology at Montana Tech of The University of Montana requests permission to offer an Associate of Applied Science degree in Radiologic Technology, in collaboration with The University of Montana-Missoula College of Technology. The collaboration will consist of four (4) courses, totaling 13 credits, that will be offered on-line and utilized by students in each program.

[ITEM 123-1501-R0504:](#) The College of Technology at Montana Tech of The University of Montana has asked for authority to offer an Associate of Applied Science degree in Networking Technology and a Network Technician certificate. The institution currently offers an Associate of Applied Science degree in Computer Technology, with an option in Networking Technology, but this request would establish a stand-alone degree and certificate. The College of Technology also asks permission to create an Information Technology Department to house the new networking credentials, which will be aligned, administratively, with the Information Technology and Design Department at Montana Tech of The University of Montana.