#### SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF REGENTS

# Academic and Student Affairs Consent

AGENDA ITEM: 5 – Z DATE: December 13-14, 2023

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#### **SUBJECT**

**Intent to Plan Requests** 

## CONTROLLING STATUTE, RULE, OR POLICY

<u>BOR Policy 2.3.2</u> – New Programs, Program Modifications, Curricular Requests, and Inactivation/Termination

## **BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION**

Per BOR Policy 2.3.2, 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. USD – BBA in Agribusiness Leadership

The proposed BBA would combine business, agribusiness, leadership, and artificial-intelligence-informed business analytics classes to produce professionals and entrepreneurs with the knowledge to drive decisions with data in agribusiness's challenging and ever-changing field. The program will provide graduates with the skills needed to improve decision-making, deliver value to customers, increase employer or principal profitability, and strengthen the agribusiness industry in South Dakota.

## 2. SDSU – MS in Global Agricultural Leadership

The proposed MS would be a professional program in agriculture, focusing on motivational and organizational leadership, sustainability, community development, intercultural communication, ethics, and agribusiness. SDSU's

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proposed Global Agricultural Sustainability and Leadership program will equip graduates who are competent in their chosen field of study with additional leadership skills necessary to fast-track into leadership roles with agri-business companies and/or in their local communities. The program will be an accelerated program from SDSU's agriculture-related undergraduate majors.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

None