



UTAH SYSTEM OF  
HIGHER EDUCATION

# MEMORANDUM

July 12, 2024

## Program Approvals and Review

[Utah Code 53B-16-102](#) allows the trustees of USHE degree-granting institutions to approve or discontinue programs of instruction and administrative units within the institution's role and within other parameters established by the Utah Board of Higher Education. State code requires the institutions to notify the Board of those approvals for Board review of compliance with policies, transfer articulations, etc. The Commissioner's office reviews and assesses each new program proposal prior to trustee action, compiles information from notifications into databases used for program tracking and cyclical reviews, and uploads information about instructional programs into public-facing tools like the [Utah Programs and Majors Guide](#). Institutions similarly notify their accreditor, the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities, once the Board has acted on trustee notifications through the general consent calendar.

The attachment contains a list of the actions taken by institutional trustees, which may include:

- New programs and new emphases within existing programs
- Program name changes or restructures
- Program consolidations or discontinuances
- New administrative units, centers, bureaus, or institutes
- Administrative unit restructures, name changes, or transfers,
- Administrative unit discontinuances

### Commissioner's Recommendation

The Commissioner recommends that the Board accept the notifications included in the attachment.

### Attachment

- Attachment 1 - July 2024 Academic Program and Administrative Unit Notifications