

REPORT OF ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES
Indiana University of Pennsylvania
September 8, 2022

Approval of IUP-APSCUF Representative Council Actions

The Academic Affairs Committee recommends that the following actions, which have the endorsement of the president and the provost, be approved:

- Program revisions approved by the IUP-APSCUF Representative Council at its October 2021 meeting as follows:
 - From the Department of Music, revision of the
 - Bachelor of Arts in Music
 - From the Department of Anthropology, revision of the
 - Archaeology Track
 - Cultural Competencies Certificate
- Program moratorium approved by the IUP-APSCUF Representative Council at its February 2022 meeting as follows:
 - From the Department of Communication Disorders, Special Education, and Disability Services
 - Autism Spectrum Disorder Certificate

The following motion is recommended for approval:

THAT THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES APPROVE THE IUP-APSCUF REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL ACTIONS WHICH WERE APPROVED AT THE OCTOBER 2021 AND FEBRUARY 2022 MEETINGS OF THE IUP-APSCUF REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL AND SUBSEQUENTLY APPROVED BY PRESIDENT DRISCOLL.

Provost Luetkehans introduced Hilliary Creely, dean of the School of Graduate Studies and Research, and Tracy Eisenhower, associate director of the IUP Research Institute. Together, they provided an update on IUP's research enterprise, noting key performance indicators with sponsored projects for the 2021-22 academic year. Overall, it was a highly productive year. IUP increased its proposals submitted, successful awards, dollars requested, dollars awarded, and revenue to cover indirect costs. The presenters also shared that 2022-23 promises to be another banner year. IUP received its largest award in IUP Research Institute history—a federal grant that will support a western Pennsylvania consortia of IUP and six community college partners to build a pipeline of cybersecurity professionals. This all comes at a time when IUP is identifying “elevating research” as one of the strategic priorities for a future 150th anniversary comprehensive campaign.

Drs. Creely and Eisenhower also reviewed the IUP Research Institute's efforts to provide shared services to other State System schools, PennWest and Commonwealth University of Pennsylvania.

They continued with how IUP and the IUP Research Institute are collaborating to reinstate the Applied Research Lab, under the leadership of new director Paul Hawkins. The ARL is gearing up to support faculty, staff, and student researchers with data analysis and program evaluation support. The presentation ended with an update on the Office of Undergraduate Research and issues related to research compliance.

This concludes my report.

Mark Holman, Chair
Academic Affairs Committee