

REPORT OF ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES
Indiana University of Pennsylvania
December 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. Because of the large number of actions, only a few are highlighted. For complete information, please refer to the IUP-APSCUF Actions document, available on the website.

Five program revisions were approved at the September and November IUP-APSCUF Representative Council meetings.

Two programs were placed in moratorium at the September 8, 2022, IUP-APSCUF Representative Council meeting.

One new associate degree and one new certificate were approved at the September and November IUP-APSCUF Representative Council meetings and will be forwarded to the Office of the Chancellor for review and approval.

At the October 4 and November 1 meetings, the University Senate approved two undergraduate policies.

The following motion is recommended for approval:

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

Provost Luetkehans introduced Tammy Manko, director of the Career and Professional Development Center (CPDC). Dr. Manko provided an overview of the CPDC's 2021-2022 Annual Report. Some highlights of the report include data associated with career consultation appointments, career fairs, career-related educational programming, and talent acquisition engagement. The CPDC team conducted 1,348 appointments and 435 mock interviews, reviewed 1,171 résumés or cover letters, delivered 120 presentations, and held three etiquette dinners. The satisfaction and learning reported by those engaging in career consultation appointments was consistently 99 percent positive. In total, the CPDC reached more than 7,500 students and alumni and engaged with nearly 3,800 employers through appointments, programming, and events. The CPDC is on track to increase its engagement and reach for the 2022-23 academic year.

Provost Luetkehans introduced Sylvia Gaiko, dean of the College of Health and Human Services; Theresa Gropelli, chair of the Department of Nursing and Allied Health Professions; and Lei Hao, Allied Health coordinator in the Department of Nursing and Allied Health Professions. Together, they provided a report, "Workforce Need in Healthcare and IUP Solutions." They reported that, currently, the United States and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania are facing critical shortages in health-care providers in nursing and allied health professions. These shortages are projected to intensify over the next decade during the same period that health-care needs are increasing due to the aging of the US population. In addition, the number of people with chronic health conditions is expected to grow, adding to the demand for services provided by health-care-related occupations.

They reported that applications to health-related majors at IUP have remained steady over the last decade, with approximately 30 percent of IUP students majoring in STEM+H (science, technology, engineering, math, and health sciences) programs. The vision in the College of Health and Human Services is to be known as the premier provider of health and human services education, graduating students who are outstanding professionals with a commitment to service. They noted that the college offers degrees in health-care areas relevant to workforce need and prides itself on having established a learning-centered environment in which the curricula bridge theory and practice. To strengthen its educational mission, the college oversees several centers that provide student learning experiences and service to the community. Other IUP colleges also provide educational programs and services that support health-care careers. The presenters concluded that the focus on health care across the campus is a commitment to the continuous improvement of health and wellness across the commonwealth and beyond.

This concludes my report.

Mark Holman, Chair
Academic Affairs Committee