# Status Report: New and Existing Academic Program Reviews and Accreditations in Progress

#### BACKGROUND

A total of 11 Colleges and the Graduate School offer academic programs at Oregon State University:

- College of Agricultural Sciences
- College of Business
- College of Earth, Ocean, and Atmospheric Sciences
- College of Education
- College of Engineering
- College of Forestry
- College of Liberal Arts
- College of Pharmacy
- College of Public Health and Human Sciences
- College of Science
- College of Veterinary Medicine
- Graduate School

Combined, Oregon State University offers a total of 228 degree programs and 29 certificate programs (85 Bachelor's, 80 Master's, 61 Doctorate and 2 First Professional—Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (DVM) and Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD)). Detailed information about academic programs, including majors, minors, and other information for each college is available at: http://catalog.oregonstate.edu/ProgramSummaries.aspx.

### **NEW ACADEMIC PROGRAMS UNDER REVIEW**

Proposals for new academic programs originate with faculty in their academic unit:

**Stage 1** of the process is the review and approval of the new academic program at the unit and college levels.

Stage 2 is the university internal review and approval process with review by the

- 1) Academic Programs Committee, 2) Budgets and Fiscal Planning Committee,
- 3) Curriculum Council, 4) for new graduate programs only, Graduate Council and external peer review, 5) Faculty Senate Executive Committee, 6) Faculty Senate, 6) Provost, and 7) Board of Trustees.

**Stage 3** is the external review and approval process and includes review by the Statewide Provosts' Council and the Higher Education Coordinating Commission (HECC). Once this review and approval process is complete, the university provides notification of the new program to the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities, the university's accrediting body.

The following table provides a summary of academic program proposals under preparation and review. Changes since the June 1, 2017, report to the committee are shown in blue text.

College	Program	Proposed Change	Review Stage and Status of Review
Engineering	MEng in <b>Engineering Management</b>	New: Graduate Degree Program	Proposal Preparation
Liberal Arts	BFA in <b>Applied Visual Arts</b>	Terminate: Undergraduate Degree Program	Proposal Preparation
Liberal Arts	BS in Contemporary Music	New: Undergraduate Degree Program	Proposal Preparation
Liberal Arts	BS in Elementary Education	New: Undergraduate Degree Program (OSU-Cascades)	Proposal Preparation
Liberal Arts and OSU-Cascades	BA in <b>English</b>	Extend: Undergraduate Degree Program to OSU-Cascades	Proposal Preparation
Liberal Arts and Marine Studies Initiative r	BS in <b>Marine Studies</b>	New: Undergraduate Degree Program	Proposal Preparation
Liberal Arts	Bachelor of <b>Music</b> (BMus)	New: Undergraduate Degree Program	Proposal Preparation
Agricultural Sciences	Professional Science Master's (PSM) in Applied Systematics in Botany (Program is currently suspended; no new students are being admitted)	Terminate: Graduate Degree Program	Stage 1: Academic Unit
Engineering	BS in Architectural Engineering	New: Undergraduate Degree Program	Stage 1: Office of Academic Programs and Assessment
Engineering	BS in Engineering Science	New: Undergraduate Degree Program (OSU-Cascades)	Stage 1: Office of Academic Programs and Assessment

College	Program	Proposed Change	Review Stage and Status of Review
Engineering	BS in <b>Software Engineering</b>	New: Undergraduate Degree Program (OSU-Cascades)	Stage 1: Academic Unit
Graduate School	PSM in Applied Biotechnology (Program is currently suspended; no new students are being admitted)	Terminate: Graduate Degree Program	Stage 1: Academic Unit
Liberal Arts	BS in Arts, Media, and Technology	New: Undergraduate Degree Program (OSU-Cascades)	Stage 1: Office of Academic Programs and Assessment
Liberal Arts	MA, MS in <b>Speech Communication</b>	New: Graduate Degree Program	Stage 1: Office of Academic Programs and Assessment
Liberal Arts	BA in World Languages and Cultures (Proposal is on hold)	New: Undergraduate Degree Program	Stage 1: Academic Unit
Public Health and Human Sciences	BS in <b>Nursing</b>	New: Undergraduate Degree Program (OSU-Cascades)	Stage 1: Office of Academic Programs and Assessment
Science	MS, PSM in Applied Physics (Program is currently suspended; no new students are being admitted)	Terminate: Graduate Degree Program	Stage 1: Academic Unit
Liberal Arts	BS in <b>Public Policy</b>	New: Undergraduate Degree Program	Stage 2: Board of Trustees
Public Health and Human Sciences	Master of Adapted Physical Education (MAPE)	New: Graduate Degree Program	Stage 3: Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities notification

Note: The review by the OSU Board of Trustees comes at the end of Stage 2.

## **EXISTING ACADEMIC PROGRAMS UNDER REVIEW**

Once academic degree programs are created, there are annual assessments and follow-up reviews to assess whether the program is meeting university, course, and program learning outcomes within the context of the strategic plan and unit plans. Ten-year external reviews are

also conducted for undergraduate and graduate majors.

The following table summarizes 10-year external reviews completed in 2016, underway, or scheduled as of December 13, 2017. Changes since the June 1, 2017, report to the committee are shown in blue text.

College	Program	10-Year External Review	
Agricultural Sciences	MA, MS, PhD in <b>Applied Economics</b>	Scheduled Spring 2018	
Agricultural Sciences	BS in Crop and Soil Sciences	2016 (completed)	
Agricultural Sciences	BS in Fisheries and Wildlife Sciences	2017 (completed)	
Agricultural Sciences MAgr, MS, PhD in Fisheries Science and MAgr, MS, PhD in Wildlife Science		2017 (completed)	
Agricultural Sciences	BS in Food Science and Technology	Scheduled for 2018	
Agricultural Sciences	MS, PhD in <b>Food Science and Technology</b>	Scheduled Spring 2018	
Agricultural Sciences	BS in <b>Horticulture</b>	2017 (underway)	
Earth, Ocean and Atmospheric Sciences	MS in Marine Resource Management	Scheduled for Fall 2018	
Earth, Ocean and Atmospheric Sciences	MA, MS, PhD in Ocean, Earth and Atmospheric Sciences	Scheduled for Fall 2018	
Education	BA, BS in <b>Education</b>	Scheduled for 2018	
Engineering	MS, MEng, PhD in Biological and Ecological Engineering	Scheduled for Spring 2019	
Engineering	MEng, MS, PhD in <b>Chemical Engineering</b>	Winter 2016 (completed)	
Engineering	MS, PhD in Materials Sciences	Scheduled for Winter 2019	
Engineering	MS, PhD in <b>Mechanical Engineering</b>	Scheduled for Winter 2019	
Engineering	MS, MEng, PhD in Industrial Engineering	Scheduled for Winter Term 2018	
Engineering  MEng, MS, PhD in Nuclear Engineering, Master of Radiation Health Physics (MHP) and MA, MS, PhD in Radiation Health Physics		Spring 2016 (completed)	
Forestry	BS in Natural Resources	2016 (completed)	
Graduate School	MA, MS, PSM, PhD in <b>Environmental Sciences</b>	Scheduled for Spring 2019	

College	Program	10-Year External Review	
Graduate School	MS, PhD in <b>Molecular and Cellular</b> <b>Biology</b>	Scheduled Winter 2018	
Honors College	Honors Bachelor of Arts (HBA), HBFA, HBS; Honors Program	2016 (completed)	
Liberal Arts	MFA in Creative Writing	Scheduled for Spring 2018	
Liberal Arts	BA, BS in <b>Economics</b>	2017 (underway)	
Liberal Arts	BA in <b>English</b>	Scheduled for 2018	
Liberal Arts	MA in <b>English</b>	Scheduled for Spring 2018	
Liberal Arts	BA, BS in <b>Ethnic Studies</b>	2016 (completed)	
Liberal Arts	BA in <b>French</b>	2016 (completed)	
Liberal Arts	BA in <b>German</b>	2016 (completed)	
Liberal Arts	BA, BS in <b>History</b>	2017 (completed)	
Liberal Arts	MA, MS, PhD in <b>History of Science</b>	Spring 2017 (completed)	
Liberal Arts	BA, BS in <b>Liberal Studies</b>	2016 (completed)	
Liberal Arts	BA, BS in <b>Music</b>	Scheduled for 2018	
Liberal Arts	BA, BS in <b>Philosophy</b>	2016 (underway)	
Liberal Arts	BA, BS in <b>Psychology</b>	2017 (underway)	
Liberal Arts	BA in <b>Spanish</b>	2016 (completed)	
Liberal Arts	BA, BS in Speech Communication	2016 (completed)	
Pharmacy	MS, PhD in <b>Pharmaceutical Science</b>	Spring 2017 (completed)	

### PROFESSIONAL ACCREDITATIONS IN PROGRESS: AY 2016-17 and AY 2017-18

Oregon State University is accredited by the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities (NWCCU), one of six regional accreditation agencies recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation. OSU was last accredited in 2011, using the previous 10-year accreditation cycle. NWCCU revised their cycle, and OSU is now participating in a 7-year accreditation cycle, which involves reporting every other year on different standards, rather than a single large report submitted once in seven years. The next OSU accreditation site visit by NWCCU is tentatively scheduled to take place during Winter Term 2019. Additional information will be provided to the Board as that review approaches.

In addition to the university-wide accreditation, there are a number of professional academic program accreditations. These are reviewed on a regular cycle by their accrediting bodies.

Programs currently under review are shown in the following table. Changes since the June 1, 2017, report to the committee are shown in blue text.

Unit	Program/Unit and Accrediting Body	Status
	Academic Programs	
College of Public Health and Human Sciences	Nutrition (Dietetic Option) BS [The Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics (ACEND)]	May 2018
College of Public Health and Human Sciences	th and Human [The Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition	
	Administrative Units	
College of Veterinary Medicine	Veterinary Teaching Hospital [American Animal Hospital Association]	Spring Term 2018
College of Veterinary Medicine  Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory [American Association of Veterinary Laborator Diagnosticians]		Spring Term 2018
Division of Student Affairs  Counseling and Psychological Services [International Association of Counseling Services, Inc. (IACS)]		Spring Term 2018