

Idaho State Board of Education

Proposal for Academic Degree and Certificate Program

Date of Proposal Submission:	
Institution Submitting Proposal:	
Name of College, School, or Division:	
Name of Department(s) or Area(s):	

Official Name of the Program:			
Implementation Date:			
Degree Information:	Degree Level:	Degree Type:	
CIP code (consult IR /Registrar):			
Method of Delivery: Indicate percentage of face-to-face, hybrid, distance delivery, etc.			
Geographical Delivery:	Location(s)	Region(s)	
Indicate (X) if the program is/has: (Consistent with Board Policy V.R.)	Self-Support fee	Professional Fee	Online Program Fee
Indicate (X) if the program is: (Consistent with Board Policy III.Z.)	Regional Responsibility	Statewide Responsibility	

Indicate whether this request is either of the following:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> New Degree Program | <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidation of Existing Program |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Undergraduate/Graduate Certificates (30 credits or more) | <input type="checkbox"/> New Off-Campus Instructional Program |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Expansion of Existing Program | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (i.e., Contract Program/Collaborative) |

College Dean (Institution)	Date
Graduate Dean or other official (Institution; as applicable)	Date
FVP/Chief Fiscal Officer (Institution)	Date
Provost/VP for Instruction (Institution)	Date
President	Date

Vice President for Research (Institution; as applicable)	Date
Academic Affairs Program Manager, OSBE	Date
Chief Financial Officer, OSBE	Date
Chief Academic Officer, OSBE	Date
SBOE/Executive Director Approval	Date

Before completing this form, refer to Board Policy Section III.G., Postsecondary Program Approval and Discontinuance. This proposal form must be completed for the creation of each new program. All questions must be answered.

Rationale for Creation or Modification of the Program

1. **Describe the request and give an overview of the changes that will result.** What type of substantive change are you requesting? Will this program be related or tied to other programs on campus? Identify any existing program that this program will replace. If this is an Associate degree, please describe transferability.

2. **Need for the Program.** Describe evidence of the student, regional, and statewide needs that will be addressed by this proposal to include student clientele to be served and address the ways in which the proposed program will meet those needs.
 - a. **Workforce and economic need:** Provide verification of state workforce needs that will be met by this program. Include job titles and cite the data source. Describe how the proposed program will stimulate the state economy by advancing the field, providing research results, etc.

 - b. **Student demand.** What is the most likely source of students who will be expected to enroll (full-time, part-time, outreach, etc.). Provide evidence of student demand/ interest from inside and outside of the institution.

 - c. **Societal Need:** Describe additional societal benefits and cultural benefits of the program.

3. **Program Prioritization**

Is the proposed new program a result of program prioritization?

Yes_____ No_____

If yes, how does the proposed program fit within the recommended actions of the most recent program prioritization findings.

4. **Credit for Prior Learning**

Indicate from the various cross walks where credit for prior learning will be available. If no PLA has been identified for this program, enter 'Not Applicable'.

5. **Affordability Opportunities**

Describe any program-specific steps taken to maximize affordability, such as: textbook options (e.g., Open Educational Resources), online delivery methods, reduced fees, compressed course scheduling, etc. This question applies to certificates, undergraduate, graduate programs alike.

Enrollments and Graduates

6. **Existing similar programs at Idaho Public Institutions.** Using the chart below, provide enrollments and numbers of graduates for similar existing programs at your institution and other Idaho public institutions for the most past four years.

Instit.	Program Name	Fall Headcount Enrollment in Program				Number of Graduates From Program (Summer, Fall, Spring)			
		FY__	FY__	FY__	FY__ (most recent)	FY__	FY__	FY__	FY__ (most recent)

7. **Justification for Duplication** (if applicable). If the proposed program is similar to another program offered by an Idaho public higher education institution, provide a rationale as to why any resulting duplication is a net benefit to the state and its citizens. Describe why it is not feasible for existing programs at other institutions to fulfill the need for the proposed program.
8. **Projections for proposed program:** Using the chart below, provide projected enrollments and number of graduates for the proposed program:

Proposed Program: Projected Enrollments and Graduates First Five Years											
Program Name:											
Projected Fall Term Headcount Enrollment in Program						Projected Annual Number of Graduates From Program					
FY__ (first year)	FY__	FY__	FY__	FY__		FY__ (first year)	FY__	FY__	FY__	FY__	

9. **Describe the methodology for determining enrollment and graduation projections.** Refer to information provided in Question #2 “Need for the Program” above. What is the capacity for the program? Describe your recruitment efforts? How did you determine the projected numbers above?

10. Minimum Enrollments and Graduates.

- a. What are the minimums that the program will need to meet in order to be continued, and what is the logical basis for those minimums?
- b. If those minimums are not met, what is the sunset clause by which the program will be considered for discontinuance?

11. Assurance of Quality. Describe how the institution will ensure the quality of the program. Describe the institutional process of program review. Where appropriate, describe applicable specialized accreditation and explain why you do or do not plan to seek accreditation.

12. In accordance with Board Policy III.G., an external peer review is required for any new doctoral program. Attach the peer review report as **Appendix A.**

13. Teacher Education/Certification Programs All Educator Preparation programs that lead to certification require review and recommendation from the Professional Standards Commission (PSC) prior to consideration and approval of the program by the State Board of Education.

Will this program lead to certification?

Yes _____ No _____

If yes, on what date was the Program Approval for Certification Request submitted to the Professional Standards Commission?

14. Three-Year Plan: If this is a new proposed program, is it on your institution's approved 3-year plan?

Yes _____ No _____

If yes, proceed to question 15. If no:

a. Which of the following statements address the reason for adding this program outside of the regular three-year planning process.

Indicate (X) by each applicable statement:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Program is important for meeting your institution's regional or statewide program responsibilities.
<input type="checkbox"/>	The program is in response to a specific industry need or workforce opportunity.
<input type="checkbox"/>	The program is reliant on external funding (grants, donations) with a deadline for acceptance of funding.
<input type="checkbox"/>	There is a contractual obligation or partnership opportunity related to this program.
<input type="checkbox"/>	The program is in response to accreditation requirements or recommendations.
<input type="checkbox"/>	The program is in response to recent changes to teacher certification/endorsement requirements.

b. Provide an explanation for all statements you selected.

Educational Offerings: Curriculum, Intended Learning Outcomes, and Assessment Plan

15. Curriculum. Provide descriptive information of the educational offering.

- a. Summary of requirements.** Provide a summary of program requirements using the following table.

Credit hours in required courses offered by the department (s) offering the program.	
Credit hours in required courses offered by other departments:	
Credit hours in institutional general education curriculum	
Credit hours in free electives	
Total credit hours required for degree program:	

- b. Curriculum.** Provide the curriculum for the program, including credits to completion, courses by title and assigned academic credit granted.
- c. Additional requirements.** Describe additional requirements such as comprehensive examination, senior thesis or other capstone experience, practicum, or internship, some of which may carry credit hours included in the list above.

16. Learning Outcomes: Expected Student Learning Outcomes and Connection to Curriculum.

- a. Intended Learning Outcomes.** List the Intended Learning Outcomes for the proposed program, using learner-centered statements that indicate what students will know, understand, and be able to do, and value or appreciate as a result of completing the program.

17. Assessment plans.

- a. Assessment Process.** Describe the assessment plan for student learning outcomes that will be used to evaluate student achievement and how the results will be used to improve the program.

Resources Required for Implementation – fiscal impact and budget.

Organizational arrangements required within the institution to accommodate the change including administrative, staff, and faculty hires, facilities, student services, library; etc.

- 18. Physical Facilities and Equipment:** Describe the provision for physical facilities and equipment.

- a. **Existing resources.** Describe equipment, space, laboratory instruments, computer(s), or other physical equipment presently available to support the successful implementation of the program.
- b. **Impact of new program.** What will be the impact on existing programs of increased use of physical resources by the proposed program? How will the increased use be accommodated?
- c. **Needed resources.** List equipment, space, laboratory instruments, etc., that must be obtained to support the proposed program. Enter the costs of those physical resources into the budget sheet.

19. Library and Information Resources: Describe adequacy and availability of library and information resources.

- a. **Existing resources and impact of new program.** Evaluate library resources, including personnel and space. Are they adequate for the operation of the present program? Will there be an impact on existing programs of increased library usage caused by the proposed program? For off-campus programs, clearly indicate how the library resources are to be provided.
- b. **Needed resources.** What new library resources will be required to ensure successful implementation of the program? Enter the costs of those library resources into the budget sheet.

20. Faculty/Personnel resources

- a. **Needed resources.** Give an overview of the personnel resources that will be needed to implement the program. How many additional sections of existing courses will be needed? Referring to the list of new courses to be created, what instructional capacity will be needed to offer the necessary number of sections?
- b. **Existing resources.** Describe the existing instructional, support, and administrative resources that can be brought to bear to support the successful implementation of the program.
- c. **Impact on existing programs.** What will be the impact on existing programs of increased use of existing personnel resources by the proposed program? How will quality and productivity of existing programs be maintained?
- d. **Needed resources.** List the new personnel that must be hired to support the proposed program. Enter the costs of those personnel resources into the budget sheet.

21. Revenue Sources

- a) **Reallocation of funds:** If funding is to come from the reallocation of existing state appropriated funds, please indicate the sources of the reallocation. What impact will the reallocation of funds in support of the program have on other programs?
- b) **New appropriation.** If an above Maintenance of Current Operations (MCO) appropriation

is required to fund the program, indicate when the institution plans to include the program in the legislative budget request.

c) **Non-ongoing sources:**

- i. If the funding is to come from one-time sources such as a donation, indicate the sources of other funding. What are the institution's plans for sustaining the program when that funding ends?
- ii. Describe the federal grant, other grant(s), special fee arrangements, or contract(s) that will be valid to fund the program. What does the institution propose to do with the program upon termination of those funds?

d) **Student Fees:**

- i. If the proposed program is intended to levy any institutional local fees, explain how doing so meets the requirements of Board Policy V.R., 3.b.
- ii. Provide estimated cost to students and total revenue for self-support programs and for professional fees and other fees anticipated to be requested under Board Policy V.R., if applicable.

22. Using the excel [budget template](#) provided by the Office of the State Board of Education, provide the following information:

- Indicate all resources needed including the planned FTE enrollment, projected revenues, and estimated expenditures for the first **four** fiscal years of the program.
- Include reallocation of existing personnel and resources and anticipated or requested new resources.
- Second and third year estimates should be in constant dollars.
- Amounts should reconcile subsequent pages where budget explanations are provided.
- If the program is contract related, explain the fiscal sources and the year-to-year commitment from the contracting agency(ies) or party(ies).
- Provide an explanation of the fiscal impact of any proposed discontinuance to include impacts to faculty (i.e., salary savings, re-assignments).