

## COMMISSION FOR HIGHER EDUCATION

Friday, May 10, 2002

### **DISCUSSION ITEM C: Report on Indiana University Regional Campuses and IUPUI Degree Programs**

**Staff Recommendation** For discussion only.

#### **Background**

In accordance with the “Agreement for the Continued Development of the Regional Campuses of Indiana University and Purdue University, and IUPUI,” Indiana University and Purdue University agreed to review all academic degree programs on the regional campuses and report the findings to the Commission.

At its October 12, 2001 meeting, the Commission approved a “Timeline for Implementation” for the regional campus agreement. Based on this timeline, Indiana University and Purdue University agreed to provide a report on their review of degree programs to the Commission in May 2002.

Indiana University began its review in early fall 2001, and the results were endorsed and approved by the Trustees of the University in April 2002. The review included the following components:

1. Programmatic Vision for the Regional Campuses;
2. Programmatic Vision for IUPUI;
3. Associate Degree Review for all campuses (including Bloomington);
4. Bachelor’s and Master’s Degree Review.

Indiana University will present the results and implications of the review.

#### **Supporting Documents**

*Programmatic Vision for the Regional Campuses, April 2002.*

*Programmatic Vision for IUPUI, April 2002.*

*Timeline for Implementation of the Agreement for the Continued Development of the Regional Campuses of Indiana University and Purdue University, and IUPUI, October 12, 2001.*

## **PROGRAMMATIC VISION FOR THE IU REGIONAL CAMPUSES**

The mission of the IU regional campuses is to be responsive to the educational needs of each region by providing an appropriate range of high-quality degree programs and other educational services typically expected of an excellent, comprehensive, master's-level institution. The range of academic programs will include associate, baccalaureate and master's degrees, with the greatest emphasis placed on baccalaureate programming. The degree programming will be built on IU's historic strengths in the arts and sciences and in professional fields such as business, education, nursing, public administration and social work.

Consistent with the emphasis on baccalaureate degrees, each campus will offer a broad array of such degrees. There will be many programs which all campuses offer because they contribute both to the quality of life and to economic development in all regions of the state. These include programs in traditional disciplines within the humanities, the fine and performing arts, the social and behavioral sciences, and the natural sciences that are essential for an educated citizenry, as well as programs in ubiquitous professional fields such as business, education, and nursing. Each campus will also offer the Bachelor of General Studies degree. In addition to these core offerings, campuses will offer baccalaureate degrees in traditional, interdisciplinary, and new and emerging fields that are specifically responsive to the needs of their regions.

The regional campuses will offer associate degrees that both meet student needs and take advantage of each campus's existing resources and capabilities. One category of appropriate associate degrees consists of those that are fully integrated into baccalaureate degrees and are also recognized as employment credentials. A second category comprises associate degrees for which the campus has special expertise or has developed capabilities needed for the degree that would be expensive to duplicate elsewhere. In addition, campuses will offer the associate degree in General Studies since it is fully integrated into the BGS. When a regional need for a new associate degree is identified, the regional campus will work with the CCI or Ivy Tech to determine how that need can best be addressed. In addition, campuses recognize the importance of expanding articulation agreements between Ivy Tech/CCI programs and IU baccalaureate programs.

Master's degrees offered at the regional campuses will be responsive to regional educational needs and will usually be related to existing resources, capabilities, and special expertise. For the most part, master's degrees will be offered in professional and technical areas. Master's programs in the arts and sciences will generally have an interdisciplinary or applied focus.

The regional campuses will also make post-master's-level graduate education accessible within their regions, usually by forming partnerships and cooperative arrangements with IU Bloomington, IUPUI, or other appropriate institutions that offer those programs. These arrangements will bring together the special capabilities and expertise of the doctoral institutions with the academic expertise, regional knowledge and facilities of the regional campuses.

The regional campuses accept the responsibility of good stewardship of their resources and the attendant need to use those resources effectively and efficiently. They will implement academic programs only when they are able to organize the human, fiscal and physical resources needed to insure that each program attains and maintains an appropriate level of quality. Programs will meet regional, state and/or national accreditation standards where those are applicable and useful to the campus. In addition, the fiscal and programmatic integrity of each program will be reviewed on a regular 5-7 year cycle, including consideration of enrollments and graduation rates from the program. It is recognized that there may be instances in which programs that fit the criteria above will not attain the critical mass of students needed to be viable on every campus. In order to make the best use of available resources, campuses will take advantage of opportunities for collaboration among programs on campus, across campuses, or with other institutions. Such collaborations will be especially helpful in cases in which the demand for a program is not great enough on every campus to justify independent programs.

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## **PROGRAMMATIC VISION FOR IUPUI**

Consistent with its role as Indiana's metropolitan university and as one of the state's major centers for graduate professional education, IUPUI will offer a comprehensive range of degrees. At the undergraduate level, IUPUI will offer a full complement of baccalaureate degrees both in professional fields and in academic disciplines, including newly emerging fields. Associate degrees will be offered in selected disciplines where local need exists that cannot be addressed through the Community College of Indiana, where the associate degree strengthens the baccalaureate, or where IUPUI's unique resources create special opportunities. Associate degree offerings will be coordinated with the Community College of Indiana, including transfer and articulation agreements that facilitate movement of students from the Community College to IUPUI for baccalaureate degree completion. At the graduate level, IUPUI will offer a full range of master's degrees and terminal professional degrees, typically doctorates, in most fields. Doctorates in academic disciplines will be offered in fields warranted by regional and state needs, in new or emerging fields of interdisciplinary or multidisciplinary study that draw on IUPUI's unique resources, and in instances where collaboration with either IUB or Purdue West Lafayette (or both) offers mutual benefit to the institutions and addresses state needs.

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Agreement for the Continued Development of the Regional Campuses of Indiana University and Purdue University, and IUPUI

**Timeline for Implementation**

**October 12, 2001**

Activity	When	How	Assurance	Incorp. Into Mission Statement
CCI Implementation Schedule Pertaining to Regional Campuses	Initiated	Schedule accepted by CCI Policy Committee		No
Preferential Admission	ASAP	Action to be taken by campuses	CHE request a progress report in Fall 2002	No
Core 40 / Academic Honors				
Admission	Fall 2001	Action to be taken by campuses	Preliminary report on Fall 2001 admission practices will be provided to CHE in Jan/Feb 2002	Yes
Recruit. Materials	Fall 2002	Action to be taken by campuses	IU and PU will provide a progress report to CHE in January 2003	No
Data Reporting	Fall 2002	Action to be taken by campuses	IU and PU will provide full reporting beginning with SIS data submission in Fall 2002	No
Referral Programs	ASAP	Action to be taken by campuses	CHE request a progress report in Fall 2002	Yes
Remedial Education	ASAP	Action to be taken by campuses	CHE request a progress report in Fall 2002	Yes
Diversity	Ongoing	Action to be taken by campuses	CHE request a progress report in Fall 2002	Yes
Transfer/Articulation				
VU degrees	August 2001	Action to be taken by campuses and STAC	Completed with agreements in place; progress will be documented in STAC's annual report to CHE	No, STAC is in the process of developing and adopting transfer/articulation principles that will be recommended to CHE for adoption as a statewide policy.
Technical	July 2001	Action to be taken by campuses and STAC	Beginning work on 42 most frequently taken courses; progress will be documented in special report by STAC to CHE in January 2002.	
Intercampus	ASAP	Action to be taken by campuses	IU and PU will provide progress report to CHE.	No

Activity	When	How	Assurance	Incorp. Into Mission Statement
Degree Programs	May 2002	Action to be taken by campuses	IU and PU will provide a report of their reviews to CHE in May 2002.	Not at the present time. The review process will provide IU and PU with the opportunity to initiate this discussion toward a potential policy statement.
Local Mission	Ongoing	Action to be taken by campuses	CHE can request periodic updates	No
Housing		Action to be taken by campus and review/approval by CHE	First practical test will occur with IUPUI housing request in October 2001.	Yes
Stability Initiative	Effective per CCI implementation schedule	Set forth in Attachment A	Formal biennial budget calculations	No