

MONTANA BOARD OF REGENTS

LEVEL I REQUEST FORM

Item No.:	135-2851+R0507	Date of Meeting:	May 30 - June 1, 2007
Institution:	Montana State University-Great Falls COT		
Program Title:	EMT - Intermediate 99 Certificate of Applied Science		

Level I proposals are those that may be approved by the Commissioner of Higher Education or the Commissioner's designee. The approval of such proposals will be conveyed to the Board of Regents at the next regular meeting of the board. The institution must file the request with the Office of the Commissioner of Higher Education by means of a memo to the Deputy Commissioner.

A. Level I action requested (check all that apply): Level I proposals include campus initiatives typically characterized by (a) minimal costs; (b) clear adherence to approved campus mission; and (c) the absence of significant programmatic impact on other institutions within the Montana University System and Community Colleges.

- 1. Re-titling existing majors, minors, options and certificates; (e.g. from B.S. in Mechanized Agriculture to B.S. in Agricultural Operations Technology);
- 2. Eliminating existing majors, minors, options and certificates via a Program Termination Checklist;
- 3. Adding new minors or certificates where there is a major;
- 4. Adding new minors or certificates where there is an option in a major;
- 5. Departmental mergers and name changes;
- 6. Program revisions; and
- 7. Distance delivery of previously authorized degree programs.

B. Level I with Level II documentation: With Level II documentation circulated to all campus chief academic officers in advance, the Commissioner or designee may propose additional items for inclusion in the Level I process. For these items to move forward, the Commissioner or designee must reach consensus with the chief academic officers. When consensus is not achieved, the Commissioner or designee will move the item to the Level II review process.

- 1. Options within an existing major or degree;
- 2. Eliminating organizational units within larger institutions such as departments, divisions and colleges or schools *with the exception of the five Colleges of Technology where changes require Board action;*
- 3. Consolidating existing programs and/or degrees.

C. Temporary Certificate or A.A.S. degree programs: Certificate or Associate of Applied Science Degree Programs may be submitted as Level I proposals, with memo and backup documentation, when they are offered in cooperation with and/or at the request of private or public sector partners and the decision point to offer the program is not consistent with the regular Board of Regents program approval process. Level I approval for programs under this provision will be limited to two years. Continuation of a program beyond the two years will require the normal program approval process as Level II Proposals.

All other Certificate or Associate Degree programs may be placed on submission at any Board of Regents meeting. They will be placed on action agendas at subsequent meetings. All campuses agree to insure that all other campuses receive program information well in advance of submission.

Item No.: 135-2851+R507	Institution: Montana State University-Great Falls COT
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Specify Request:

MSU-Great Falls College of Technology requests approval from the Montana Board of Regents and the Montana University System to Re-title the College's Certificate in EMT-Paramedic to a Certificate of Applied Science in EMT-Intermediate 99.

In addition, the College requests that the notification of intent to terminate the Certificate in EMT-Paramedic submitted at the March 2007 Board of Regents meeting be withdrawn. Justification for this request and proposed program curriculum are included in the following.

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In addition, the College requests that the notification of intent to terminate the Certificate in EMT-Paramedic submitted at the March 2007 Board of Regents meeting be withdrawn. This notification was submitted due to the program's non-compliance with BOR Policy 301.12, as well as its history of having few students seeking the credential, and fewer still completing. Upon review of the program, followed by conversations between Faculty and the Chief Academic Officer, it was decided that a better option would be to modify the curriculum to align with the first year of EMT-Paramedic Associate of Applied Science program coursework which begins with EMT Basic Certification and culminating in the Intermediate 99 Certification. This has been a natural stepping-out point for students and aligns well with the purpose of a Certificate of Applied Science.

Below is the proposed curriculum for the change in this program.

**EMT-Intermediat 99
Certificate of Applied Science**

Fall Semester

Course No.	Title	Credits
AH 140	Pharmacology	2
AH 145	Introduction to Medical Terms	1
ENGL 119	Intro to College Writing **	4
COMM 135	Interpersonal Communication	3
EMT 137	EMT-Basic	6
		Subtotal 16

Spring Semester

Course No.	Title	Credits
MATH 161	Algebra s/Science App **	3
EMS 140	Intermediate I*	4
EMS 155	Intermediate II*	3
EMS 217	Intermediate III*	4
EMS 222	Intermediate I Clinical*	1
EMS 227	Intermediate II Clinical*	2
		Subtotal 17

Total Program Credits – 33~

+ A grade of "C" or above required for graduation | * Indicates prerequisites needed
| ** Placement in course(s) is determined by admissions assessment

~Many students need preliminary Math, English, and/or Computer courses before enrolling in the program required courses. These courses may increase the total number of program credits. Students should review their Math and English placement scores as well as high school transcripts with an advisor before planning out their full program schedule.