

Montana University System New Academic Program Proposal Summary

Campus: The University of Montana--Missoula (College of Technology)	Item Number: 122-1007-R0104
Program Title: Business Technology/ Medical Office Technology	Date: January 15-16, 2004

1. How does this program advance the campus' academic mission and fit priorities?
The University of Montana—Missoula is dedicated to educating students to think critically, communicate effectively, and learn the skills and technologies essential to function in an increasingly complex environment. The present proposal would allow students pursuing a degree in medical office technology to collaborate more closely with other students in the allied health programs at the College of Technology while learning the skills to assist healthcare practitioners.
2. How does this program fit the Board of Regents' goals and objectives?
The program is consistent with the Goal B, C and D objectives to expedite student progress towards degree objectives, to increase the coordination of academic resources, and to offer programs and services consistent with the changing market and employment needs of the state and the nation.
3. How does this program support or advance Montana's needs and interests?
The program will prepare graduates with an Associates degree in Applied Science to assist healthcare practitioners in medical examinations and treatment and to provide front office administrative help in medical facilities throughout the state of Montana.
4. How will this program contribute to economic development in Montana? (Note projected annual economic impact both regionally and statewide.)
The program will prepare graduates with the state-of-the-art education, credentials, and contacts for entering employment as assistants in healthcare facilities throughout the state. The growth of the healthcare industry requires an increase in such graduates if it is to continue.
5. What is the Program's planned capacity?

Break-even point?

Enrollments/year?

Graduates/year?

MT jobs/year?

6. Resource Allocation

Total program budget? \$

Faculty FTE?

Staff FTE?

Does this program require new resources? Amount?

No

How will the campus fund the program?

Program is currently being delivered with budgeted funds.

If internal reallocation is necessary, name the sources.