



**MONTANA UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**  
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**TO:** Board of Regents

**FROM:** Joyce A. Scott, Deputy Commissioner for Academic & Student Affairs

**SUBJECT:** Level I Announcements & Approvals

This memo is to inform you of the Level I changes in academic programs approved in the Office of the Commissioner of Higher Education since the last Board of Regents meeting. We have added item numbers to make it easier to track changes. I will be happy to answer questions about these changes.

**OCHE has received notice from the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education of the following changes:**

Program Type	Accreditation Status	Date First Accredited	Most Recent Visit	Most Recent Action	Next Action	Next Visit
<b>The University of Montana - Missoula</b>						
Professional Bachelor's Degree	Withdrawn	03/81	04/95	10/99	NA	NA
Professional Master's Degree	Accreditation	05/96	10/99	05/01	NA	NA
Professional Doctoral Degree	Accreditation	08/01	NA	04/02	2007 SB	2007
<b>MSU-Great Falls College of Technology</b>						
Associate's Degree	Accreditation	10/97	06/97	05/01	2002 SV	2002

The following is actions taken by the Commission on Colleges and Universities of the Northwest Association of School and of Colleges and Universities at its June 13-14, 2002 meeting:

**Reaffirmed on the Basis of a Full-Scale Evaluation:**

- Flathead Valley Community College, Kalispell, Montana

**Reaffirmed on the Basis of a Focused Interim Evaluation:**

- Fort Belknap College
- Helena College of Technology of The University of Montana
- Little Big Horn College
- The University of Montana-Western

**Removed Probation Conditionally on the Basis of a Focused Interim Evaluation:**

- Little Big Horn College

**Deferred Action on the Basis of a Focused Interim Evaluation:**

- University of Great Falls

**Reaffirmed on the Basis of a Regular Fifth-Year Evaluation**

- Rocky Mountain College

**Progress Reports Accepted:**

- Montana Tech of The University of Montana
- University of Great Falls
- The University of Montana-Western
- Fort Belknap College
- Miles Community College

The following program changes have been approved in the Office of the Commissioner of Higher Education.

**Montana State University:**

- 116-2005+R0902 Request to Change the Names of the Existing Options in the Master of Science Degree in Health and Human Development: From Option in Food and Nutrition to Option in Exercise and Nutrition Sciences; and from Option in Health Exercise and Wellness to Option in Health Promotion and Education
- 116-2006+R0902 Authorization to Offer a Clinical Nurse Specialist (CNS) Option within the Master of Nursing (MN) Degree; Montana State University-Bozeman
- 116-2701+R0902 Authorization to Offer Degree Programs via Online Delivery; Montana State University-Billings

**FOUR YEAR CAMPUS:**

- Master of Education (MED) – Curriculum and Instruction
- Master of Science Special Education (MSSE) – Generalist Option, Advanced Studies Option
- Bachelor of Science in Education (BSED) – Broadfield Major in Elementary Education, Health & Physical Education (K-12), Special Education (P-12)
- Elementary and Secondary Professional Education Core
- B.S. Public Relations

**COLLEGE OF TECHNOLOGY:**

- Office Assistant Certificate
- Accounting Assistant Certificate
- A.A. (self designed/general studies transfer degree)
- A.A.S. Accounting Technology

Pc: Commissioner, Presidents, Chancellors, Deans and Academic Officers