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Office of the President
June 24, 2016

Members, Board of Trustees:

ACADEMIC DEGREE RECOMMENDATION:
COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

Recommendation: that the Board of Trustees approve the establishment of a Bachelor of Liberal Studies degree with a major in Liberal Studies, in the College of Arts and Sciences, beginning in the Fall 2016 Semester.

Background: The proposed Bachelor of Liberal Studies degree will allow students to design individualized programs of study in the humanities, social sciences, and natural and mathematical sciences; develop a breadth of knowledge reflective of a liberal arts education; develop critical thinking and writing skills; and synthesize problem-solving strategies.

The target audience for the degree is expected to be diverse, including non-traditional students and those returning to college following an absence. Students who have switched majors multiple times will be able to utilize past credit while pursuing courses that correspond to changed interests or goals.

This program has the approval of the appropriate councils and the University Senate and has completed the 45 day review process of the Council on Postsecondary Education. The Provost of the University supports this recommendation.

Action taken: Approved Disapproved Other _____