

**MINNESOTA STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Agenda Item Summary Sheet**

Name: Academic and Student Affairs Committee

Date: January 28, 2015

Title: Transfer Degree Pathways for Baccalaureate Completion

Purpose (check one):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed
New Policy or
Amendment to
Existing Policy | <input type="checkbox"/> Approvals
Required by
Policy | <input type="checkbox"/> Other
Approvals |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Monitoring /
Compliance | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Information | |

Brief Description:

This presentation will provide a preview of a plan currently being developed by the Charting the Future Academic Planning and Collaboration implementation team in accordance with 2014 Session Laws H.F. 3172, Chapter 312, Sec. 12, and its mandate to the board to report on a plan to implement multi-campus articulation agreements that lead to baccalaureate degree completion.

Scheduled Presenter(s):

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INFORMATION ITEM

TRANSFER DEGREE PATHWAYS FOR BACCALAUREATE COMPLETION

BACKGROUND

In 2014, the Minnesota Legislature required the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities Board of Trustees to report in March 2015 on a plan to implement multi-campus articulation agreements that lead to baccalaureate degree completion. The law assigned the task of developing the plan to a Charting the Future implementation team.

2014 Session Laws H.F. 3172, Chapter 312, Sec. 12

The Board of Trustees of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities shall develop a plan to implement multi-campus articulation agreements that lead to baccalaureate degree completion upon earning the number of credits required for the degree minus 60 credits at a system university after transfer to the system university by a student with an associate in arts degree, associate of science degree, or an associate of fine arts (AFA) degree from a system college. The board shall assign the task of developing the plan to the appropriate committee formed under the board's "Charting the Future" initiative. The board shall report on this plan to the legislative committees with primary jurisdiction over higher education finance and policy by March 15, 2015.

The plan has been under development by the Academic Planning and Collaboration implementation team, and a draft was distributed on January 6, 2015 to students, faculty, administrators, and staff for comment and feedback.

This preview will discuss the team's research and consultation process and the following elements of the draft plan. The final report will be presented for approval by the board at its March 2015 meeting.

- Goals of the Transfer Degree to Baccalaureate Completion plan
- Program Articulation Committees by discipline
- Structure of the transfer degree pathways
- Timeline