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RECOMMENDED ACTIONS

It is the recommendation of the administration and the Academic and Student Affairs Committee that the status of the Schools of Business; Interdisciplinary Arts and Sciences; and Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics at the University of Washington Bothell, be changed to that of collegiate-level units, each under the leadership of a Dean.

JUSTIFICATION FOR PROPOSED ACTIONS

The UW Bothell Schools of Business; Interdisciplinary Arts and Sciences; and Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics have now reached a maturity, size, support structure, and status, with full potential for further growth to warrant their change of status to collegiate-level schools headed by Deans, effective March 16, 2013.

Recognition of the Schools of Business; Interdisciplinary Arts and Sciences; and Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics is supported by the faculty at UW Bothell, the UW Bothell General Faculty Organization Executive Council, and the UW Bothell Office of the Chancellor. It is their view that the recognition of these units as collegiate-level organizations will enhance faculty and academic effectiveness by increasing the Schools' visibility and impact with their external communities and contribute to the continued growth of partnerships with industries, non-profits, and community organizations. Such enhanced partnerships will result in the development of new curricula, research programs, and entrepreneurship activities.

The School of Business is independently accredited by the American Association of Collegiate Schools of Business and offers degrees in Bothell and Bellevue. Programs offered by the School of Business include a day and evening BA in Business Administration, with concentrations in seven areas, as well as an Accounting option. Graduate-level options include the Technology MBA at Bothell and the Leadership MBA at Bellevue. The School of Business has 28 full-time and 13 part-time faculty members, with a student enrollment of 770 FTE and 10,768 student credit hours in Autumn 2012.

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The School of Interdisciplinary Arts and Sciences is the largest academic unit at UW Bothell, offering 10 undergraduate degrees and three options. Graduate-level options include the MA in Cultural Studies, MA in Policy Studies, and MFA in Creative Writing and Poetics. The School of Interdisciplinary Arts and Sciences has 57 full-time and 36 part-time faculty members, with a student enrollment of 1,136 FTE and 16,605 student credit hours in Autumn 2012.

The School of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics offers five undergraduate degrees and an MS in Computer Science and Software Engineering. It has 36 full-time and 14 part-time faculty members, with a student enrollment of 629 FTE and 9,192 student credit hours in Autumn 2012.