SALISBURY UNIVERSITY FACULTY SENATE MOTION

Submit this form to the Faculty Senate President

SUBJECT: Joint UCC and GCC proposal regarding curriculum terminology

SENATOR PROPOSING MOTION: Ellen Schaefer-Salins

SENATOR SECONDING MOTION:

MOTION:

All program level curricular descriptions shall use the following terminology:

USM/MHEC define a Concentration as a program requiring 24 or more credit hours above the courses required for all programs in the major (24 or more credits above the major "core"). (All SU programs that propose curriculum that have 24 or more credit hours in the concentration are required to go beyond internal SU curriculum approval to USM and MHEC approval.)

A Track is 12-23 credit hours over the core above the courses required for all programs in the major (12-23 credits above the major "core").

For programs with fewer than 12 credit hours above the required core, it is recommended that the term "focus" be used to capture those differences.

JUSTIFICATION:

It is the opinion of UCC and GCC that Salisbury University's internal curriculum terminology categorizing "concentrations", "tracks", and "focus" should match the definitions from USM and MHEC.

ANTICIPATED IMPACT:

Negative: If this proposal goes forward, the changes to existing program terminology to correctly align with the new categorizations of "concentration," "track," and "focus" would be made in consultation with departments, but the departments would not need to submit Curriculog proposals for the terminology changes.

Positive: Aligning this terminology with existing USM and MHEC definitions will increase clarity and consistency across Salisbury University academic programs as well as its uniformity with other USM universities.

Is this a recommendation to the Provost? Yes_X___ No____
Is this a recommendation to someone else? No____ Yes, to _____

VOTE: Number of Senators Present: **Motion Passes or Fails:**