Utah Valley University
Curriculum Items
Board of Trustees
February 4, 2014

Proposal:

It is proposed that UVU add the following program: **Graduate Certificate in Regulatory Affairs for Life Sciences**. It is also proposed that the Three-Year Follow-ups for the **MBA, BA in Art Education, AAS Wildland Fire Management**, and **MSN in Nursing** be reviewed and sent on to the Utah State Board of Regents.

Background:

The **Graduate Certificate in Regulatory Affairs for Life Sciences** will provide students with the education required to interpret and manage regulatory and quality compliance issues that are critical to the Life Sciences. The curriculum materials include formal studies that are specific to regulatory sciences (domestic and international), quality management system, and design control. Students will gain experience in technical communications with an emphasis on the theory and practice of technical writing as it relates to industry-based submissions. Students will participate in an internship or capstone project with a medical device, pharmaceutical, or diagnostics company. A baccalaureate degree in a science or technology-related area of study will be required. The course content is designed for students with a baccalaureate degree in biology, biotechnology, or chemistry and provides excellent employment opportunities. It will also provide additional skills to current employees that are seeking new opportunities within the life science industry. The Graduate Certificate in Regulatory Affairs for Life Sciences will be the only program of its type in the Intermountain West region. This will provide a unique opportunity for UVU students to have access to careers that are in high demand by Utah companies.

The following four programs are all ready for their three-year follow-up reviews. The **Master of Business Administration** was approved by the State Board of Regents (SBR) in July 2009 and began classes in Fall 2010. The **BA in Art Education** and the **AAS Wildland Fire Management** were approved by SBR in June 2010. The **MSN in Nursing** was approved by SBR in January of 2009 with classes beginning in Fall 2009.

Recommendation:

The President and the Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs recommend that the Board of Trustees approve the proposed actions as summarized above and detailed in the attached documents.