

## **Summary of Proposed Action ND State Board of Higher Education Meeting – January 25, 2018**

1. **Issue:** The University of North Dakota (UND) has submitted two Stage II requests to offer the following new programs:
  - Minor, B.S., and M.S. in [Cybersecurity](#), CIP Code 11.1003, via on-campus and distance delivery
  - Minor in [Unmanned Aircraft Systems](#), CIP Code 49.0101, via on-campus and distance delivery
2. **Proposed actions:** Approve/deny the two Stage II requests of UND to offer the above new programs.
3. **Background information:**
  - The College of Engineering and Mines seeks approval for these new programs in Cyber Security that will prepare a highly educated workforce with expertise on cyber physical security. Students will be provided with the skill sets required for the continued success and growth of this strategically important economic development in our state.
  - The John D. Odegard School of Aerospace Sciences seeks approval to offer this multidisciplinary UAS Aviation Minor which will ensure the School continues to meet their aviation mission by creating, preserving, and delivering the highest quality education, research, and services in aerospace and related sciences for our university, our state, and the worldwide aerospace community.
4. **Financial implications:** None cited.
5. **Legal/policy issues:** State Board of Higher Education (SBHE) Policy 403.1 *Program Approval* states: "Board approval is required for all new programs of study that designate a focused collection of instructional/ learning activities the completion of which signifies a level of competence which the awarding institution so designates by a notation on the front of the student transcript."
6. **Academic issues:** No academic issues were raised at the January 3, 2018 Academic Affairs Council (AAC) meeting.
7. **Coordination:** On January 3, 2018, the AAC voted unanimously to recommend approval of the Stage II requests for review by the Chancellor's Cabinet and advance to the SBHE for approval/denial.
8. **Attachments:** The Stage II requests are attached.
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10. **Chancellor's recommendation:** Approved