Academic Programs Update

## June 2015

1. Undergraduate Program Development:

Undergraduate Program Actions Requiring Board of Trustees Action and/or OBOR Notification or Approval

The Ohio Board of Regents (OBOR) is continuing to revise its approval processes for undergraduate program proposals. Since the last set of YSU Board of Trustees meetings, OBOR has approved the following undergraduate program changes:

* The Bachelor of Arts in Theater Studies has added an Interdisciplinary Film / Video Studies concentration.
* YSU has received approval to offer an undergraduate-level program leading to the Ohio Intervention Specialist Moderate to Intensive license.

2. Graduate Program Development:

*A new proposal (Program Development Plan or PDP) for graduate programs must be approved internally by YSU’s Graduate Curriculum Committee and Graduate Council before it is presented to the Board of Trustees Academic Quality and Student Success Committee as an information item. The PDP is then forwarded to the Regents Advisory Committee on Graduate Study (RACGS) for comment, and a full program proposal is prepared, in response, if there are no serious objections. The full proposal must be reviewed by the internal curriculum process and then go to the Board of Trustees for action and approval. The proposal then goes to RACGS for a second review and in-person presentation. If RACGS recommends the program for approval—and after YSU Board of Trustees approval—it goes to the Chancellor’s staff, which makes a recommendation to the Chancellor based on RACGS review and public comments. The Chancellor’s signature is the final step of the approval process. Board of Trustees approval is required prior to any final decision by the Chancellor’s office.*

* A PDP for a **Master of Athletic Training** completed the campus curriculum review process and will be sent to RACGS for review.
* The **Master of Accountancy** has completed the campus curriculum review process and will be sent to RACGS for review.
* The program name change from **Master of Science in Environmental Studies** to **Master of Science in Environmental Science** has been approved by RACGS.
* The PDP for a **Master of Science in Nursing Option for Adult Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner and Post-Master’s Adult Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner** has completed the campus curriculum review process and will be sent to RACGS for review.