Commission on Undergraduate Studies and Policies Resolution 2025-26?? Resolution to Implement a Recertification Requirement for Pathways Courses

WHEREAS, the first Pathways courses were approved by university governance in 2016; and

WHEREAS, a majority of Pathways courses have not been revised through governance since their initial approval; and

WHEREAS, courses are likely to be modified by departments and instructors over time, potentially affecting alignment with Pathways outcomes;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that all Pathways courses will be selected for recertification 5-7 years after approval, and every 7 years thereafter; and

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that recertification will be conducted by submitting a revised course proposal to university governance through Courseleaf CIM.

Proposed Timeline for Implementation of Pathways Recertifications

- Fall 2026 Pilot the recertification process with the first 20 courses that were approved for Pathways in 2016.
- **Summer 2027** Departments will be notified if any of their courses will be up for recertification in AY 2027-28.
- The 100 courses that have been on the books for the longest without a revision will go through recertification (provided they have been on books at least five years).
- **Summer 2028** Departments will be notified if any of their courses will be up for recertification in AY 2028-29.
- Fall 2028 The next 100 courses that have been on the books for the longest without a revision will go through recertification (provided they have been on the books at least five years).
- Summer 2029 Departments will be notified if any of their courses will be up for recertification in AY 2029-30.
- Fall 2029 The next 100 courses that have been on the books for the longest without a revision will go through recertification (provided they have been on the books at least five years).
- **Summer 2030** Departments will be notified if any of their courses will be up for recertification in AY 2029-30.
- Fall 2030 Any courses that have been on the books for at least five years and have not yet been recertified will go through recertification.
- **Summer 2031 -->** From this point forward, departments will continue to be notified in the summer if they have courses coming up for recertification the following academic year. Courses will be up for recertification every seven years after their last recertification.