

TO: Fort Wayne Senate

FROM: Peter Iadicola

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RE: Investigation of Dual Credit Programs

WHEREAS, the Dual Credit Program authorized by the state of Indiana has increased significantly in recent years; and

WHEREAS, there has been no thorough cost benefit analysis of IPFW's participation in the dual credit program; and

WHEREAS, some academic departments have been encouraged to use different standards for approving dual credit teachers than for limited term lecturers who teach on campus;

BE IT RESOLVED, that an investigation be conducted by the Educational Policy Committee (EPC) and University Resources Policy Committee (URPC) of the IPFW Senate to determine the cost and benefits of IPFW's participation in the Dual Credit Program. EPC must include in its investigation items 1 and 3 and URPC must include in its investigation item 2:

1. A comparison of the qualifications of the faculty who are teaching in the high schools and the qualifications of limited term faculty who are hired to teach the same courses on campus.
2. A detailed summary of the revenue and costs of IPFW to participate in the Dual Credit Program.
3. An assessment of the impact of program participation on student recruitment and enrollment and graduation rates.

A joint report is to be given to the Senate no later than the February Senate meeting of the 2013-14 academic year.