

New Academic Program Workflow Form

General

Proposed Name: Weight Inclusive Health

Transaction Nbr: 00000000000142

Plan Type: Specialization

Academic Career: Undergraduate

Degree Offered: Undergraduate Certificate

Do you want to offer a minor? N

Anticipated 1st Admission Term: Sum 2023

Details

Department(s):

AGSC

DEPTMNT ID	DEPARTMENT NAME	HOST
1237	School of Nutritional Sciences and Wellness	Y

Campus(es):

DIST

LOCATION	DESCRIPTION
YUMA	Yuma

MAIN

LOCATION	DESCRIPTION
TUCSON	Tucson

ONLN

LOCATION	DESCRIPTION
ONLN	Online

Admission application terms for this plan: Spring: Y Summer: Y Fall: Y

Plan admission types:

Freshman: Y Transfer: Y Readmit: Y Graduate: Y

Non Degree Certificate (UCRT only): N

Other (For Community Campus specifics): N

Plan Taxonomy: 19.0501, Foods, Nutrition, and Wellness Studies, General.

Program Length Type: Program Length Value: 0.00

Report as NSC Program:

SULA Special Program:

Print Option:

Diploma: N

Transcript: Y Weight Inclusive Health Certificate

Conditions for Admission/Declaration for this Major:

Students must be in good academic standing to seek this certificate. There are no additional requirements.

Requirements for Accreditation:

N/A

Program Comparisons

University Appropriateness

The Certificate in Weight-Inclusive Health provides an overview of the frameworks available to provide weight-inclusive care to individuals across the lifespan. The certificate program is open to any student; the primary audience is undergraduate students from schools and colleges that educate helping professions such as Nutritional Sciences, Psychology, Family Studies, Education, Nursing, and Public Health. It would also be helpful to students from health sciences schools and programs, including the College of Medicine. All University of Arizona undergraduate students are eligible to participate. The program supports diversity and compassion development in the health sciences, preparing individuals to work and coordinate with a variety of populations and individuals seeking health promoting behaviors.

Arizona University System

NBR	PROGRAM	DEGREE	#STDNTS	LOCATION	ACCRDT
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Peer Comparison

See attachment.

Faculty & Resources

Faculty

Current Faculty:

INSTR ID	NAME	DEPT	RANK	DEGREE	FCLTY/%
01268480	Kelly Jackson	1237	Assoc. Prof. Pract.	Doctor of Philosophy	.05
01342933	Ashley Munro	1237	Adj. Lect.	Master of Science	.90
22085369	Katelyn Barker	1237	Assit. Prof. Pract.	Master of Science	.20

Additional Faculty:

N/a

Current Student & Faculty FTE

DEPARTMENT	UGRD HEAD COUNT	GRAD HEAD COUNT	FACULTY FTE
1237	1000	15	19.22

Projected Student & Faculty FTE

DEPT	UGRD HEAD COUNT			GRAD HEAD COUNT			FACULTY FTE		
	YR 1	YR 2	YR 3	YR 1	YR 2	YR 3	YR 1	YR 2	YR 3
1237	10	20	30	0	0	0	1.15	1.15	1.15

Library

Acquisitions Needed:

N/A

Physical Facilities & Equipment

Existing Physical Facilities:

N/A

Additional Facilities Required & Anticipated:

N/A

Other Support

Other Support Currently Available:

N/A

Other Support Needed over the Next Three Years:

N/A

Comments During Approval Process

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Comments
Approved.

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Updating 1st admission term to Summer 23

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Comments
Approved.



NEW CERTIFICATE PROPOSAL

Note: New programs requiring a [program fee](#) must have the fee approved prior to implementation.

I. CERTIFICATE DESCRIPTION–

The *Certificate in Weight Inclusive Health* provides an overview of the frameworks available to provide weight-inclusive care to individuals across the lifespan. All degree-seeking University of Arizona undergraduate students are eligible to participate. The certificate is also open to non-degree seeking students. This program will specifically appeal to undergraduate students from schools and colleges that educate “helping professions” such as Nutritional Sciences, Psychology, Family Studies, Education, Nursing, and Public Health. It would also be helpful to students from health sciences schools and programs, including the College of Medicine.

Weight-inclusive care focuses on non-weight-based markers of health and wellness and doesn't use body weight as the focal point of treatment for intervention. Courses introduce and delve into weight stigma, health at every size (HAES®), non-diet approaches, and counseling techniques needed to ethically work with individuals in the healthcare settings. These topics improve the students' awareness of challenges faced in the healthcare field and will provide additional techniques that are useful for pursuing employment opportunities that focus on wellness and the prevention of maladaptive eating patterns, and other stress impacting chronic conditions. Knowledge of these topics addressing diversity within the wellness industry will set future health practitioners apart.

II. NEED FOR THE CERTIFICATE/JUSTIFICATION -

Put simply, weight stigma is the social rejection of those in higher-weight bodies, ie. not fitting social norms for weight and size. Stigma is a fundamental cause of population health inequalities and is a major contributor to morbidity and mortality (Hatzenbuehler et al., 2013). Weight stigma in the US has increased 66% over the past 10 years, (Puhl et al., 2016) and unfortunately, our medical system and healthcare providers are contributing to that stigma through both explicit and implicit bias. Providers spend 28% less time with patients that are "obese" because many providers believe that it is a "waste of time." Additionally, weight stigma alone can increase an individual's likelihood of developing or maintaining "obesity" by two or three times, regardless of their baseline Body Mass Index (BMI) (Tomiya et al., 2018). The stress of weight stigma from within the healthcare system is associated with a host of negative health consequences - even those not directly correlated to an individual's weight. Given these metrics and the information that weight-centric focused healthcare does not improve health outcomes, students need ways to approach these topics with a lens that is inclusive of body size, to better address behavior change and health promoting behaviors in individuals who desire it.

An interest and need survey provided to 135 students in Spring of 2022, 93% of which were Nutritional Science students, showed 87% of students strongly agree or agree that they are interested in Weight-Inclusive Care, and only 2% disagreed. In addition, when asked how “important” it is that a curriculum of this manner be offered, 66% of students stated it is either “extremely” or “very important.” These topics are relevant for careers in healthcare and the current market is showing growth and need for

this type of information. In 2020, Intuitive Eating, which is specifically included in this program, was listed as a top 10 Career Trend, along with cultural awareness & media influencing. The current job market also seeks to hire individuals with weight inclusive experience and framework knowledge.

- Attune Nutrition Clinic: <https://www.attune-nutrition.com/>
- Thundermist Health Center:
<https://www.thundermisthealth.org/services/size-inclusive-health-care/>

Another benefit of teaching weight-inclusive curriculum is its potential to prevent the development or triggering of maladaptive coping skills in our future health professionals. During the Fall 2021 semester, our department offered a new body positive class. One student in the class reported in their pre-course survey that, "Personally, I've had body image struggles my entire life, so this course really appealed to me. Professionally, I want to ensure I practice in a way that encourages body positivity for others and am also excited that this is something that is being addressed in a university course." This student's experience demonstrates the importance of offering a weight-inclusive curriculum as a way to intercept these concerns.

Healthcare industry leaders also support the importance of this type of curriculum. Dawn Clifford, PhD, RDN, a professor and author said, "It is absolutely essential that our future healthcare professionals receive training in weight inclusive care. Weight stigma causes harm and is rampant within the health and fitness industries. Equipping future professionals to provide compassionate weight inclusive care is an essential next step forward in developing competent practitioners. This approach is the future of healthcare and your graduates will be leading the way, mentoring their future colleagues in how to provide patient-centered care that minimizes bias and stigma and supports diversity, equity, inclusion and justice."

Liz Brinkman, RDN, a private practice somatic nutrition therapist from Phoenix, AZ, speaks to this need, "Adopting a weight inclusive curriculum is a necessary step to train thoughtful and caring professionals. Adopting a weight-inclusive curriculum is an obvious approach to optimizing health and health care in Arizona and beyond. A weight inclusive curriculum cultivates leaders capable of providing rigorous, evidence-based, patient-centered care; creating a cohort of frontline workers, striving to overcome the issue of access to quality care."

III. PROGRAM AFFILIATION-

There is a minor being proposed with the same name as this program. The plan is to collaborate with other departments to maximize resources and include a variety of voices on the topics provided in this certificate opportunity. Currently the college of Sociology is supportive of including two courses that can be listed as elective options.

IV. CERTIFICATE REQUIREMENTS—

UNDERGRADUATE CERTIFICATE

Minimum total units required	12
Minimum upper division units	6
Total transfer units that may apply to the certificate. <i>Note: A minimum of six (6) units used to complete the certificate must be University credit.</i>	0
Pre-admissions expectations (i.e., academic training to be completed prior to admission)	NSC 101/170C1 or equivalent
Certificate requirements.	<p>Complete 9 units of core coursework:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -NSC 212 (3 units) Intuitive Eating Approach to Health & Wellbeing - NEW -NSC 312 (3 units) Weight Stigma, Nutrition & Health- UPDATED/CURRENT COURSE -NSC 412 (3 units) Body Positive Concept & You - NEW <p><u>Complete 3 units from options below:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -NSC 432 (3 units) Exploring Eating Disorders & Body Image - NEW -NSC 422 (3 units) Weight-Inclusive Approach to Counseling - NEW -NSC 442 (3 units) Health Communication from a Weight-Inclusive Lens- NEW -CHS 309 (3 units) Ethical Issues in the Helping Professions -CHS 401 (3 units): Health Disparities and Society
Internship, practicum, applied course requirements (Yes/No). If yes, provide description.	NO
Any double-dipping restrictions (Yes/No)? If yes, provide description. *A maximum of 6 units may double-dip with a degree requirement (major, minor, General Education) or second certificate.	Yes, students may apply 3 units toward major or minor.
Additional requirements (provide description)	None

- V. **CURRENT COURSES**—using the table below, list all existing courses included in the proposed certificate. You can find information to complete the table using the [UA course catalog](#) or [UAnalytics](#) (Catalog and Schedule Dashboard> “Printable Course Descriptions by Department” On Demand Report; right side of screen). If the courses listed belong to a department that is not a signed party to this implementation request, upload the department head’s permission to include the courses in the proposed certificate and information regarding accessibility to and frequency of offerings for the course(s). Upload letters of support/emails from department heads to the “Letter(s) of Support” field on the UAccess workflow form. Add rows to the table, as needed. **New course proposals must be submitted via [UAccess Course Add forms](#) following the procedures and deadlines detailed [here](#).**

Course prefix and number (include cross-listings)	Units	Title	Pre-requisites	Modes of Delivery (online, in-person, hybrid)	Campus and Location Offered	Dept signed party to proposal? (Yes/No)
NSC 312	3	Weight Stigma, Nutrition & Health	NSC 101/170C1 or equivalent	Online	Main Online Yuma	

- VI. **Learning Outcomes** - Complete this table as a summary of the learning outcomes from your assessment plan, using these examples as a model. If you need assistance completing this table and/or the Curriculum Map, please see the resources at the [Office of Instruction and Assessment](#) or contact them [here](#).

Learning Outcome #1: Critically analyze weight stigma as it presents in society and specifically our medical system.
Concepts: Anti-oppression concepts including ecological systems theory, health disparities, and social determinants of health.
Competencies: Apply critical analysis skills through self-reflection, identifying systems of oppression, and designing solutions for problems.
Learning Outcome #2: Implement effective oral and written communication from a weight-inclusive lens.
Concepts: Weight-inclusive concepts including Health at Every Size®, intuitive eating, body autonomy, and trauma informed care.
Competencies: Demonstrate effective written and oral communication skills.
Learning Outcome #3: Assess the impact of internalized weight bias on behaviors.
Concepts: Weight bias informed beliefs, diet culture, and anti-fat messaging.
Competencies: Interoceptive awareness and intrapersonal skills.
Learning Outcome #4: Compare and contrast weight-inclusive frameworks with a weight-centric paradigm.
Concepts: Weight-inclusive framework options for different populations.

Competencies: Application of non-diet frameworks when addressing health and chronic health conditions.
Learning Outcome #5 Apply strategies for disordered eating and eating disorder prevention.
Concepts: Eating disorder etiology and counseling strategies to address behavior change.
Competencies: Demonstrate understanding, recognizing signs of eating disorders and how they present throughout the life cycle.

VI. CONTACTS AND ADMINISTRATION

UNDERGRADUATE:

a. List the name and contact information for the primary point of contact for the certificate:

Ashley Munro, email: ashleymunro@arizona.edu

b. List the name and contact information for the person or persons who will serve in the role of Director of Undergraduate Studies (DUS) for the certificate (this is not always the same as the DUS for affiliated programs or head of the managing academic unit.):

Kelly Jackson, email: kjackson@arizona.edu

c. If known, list the members of the certificate oversight committee for this certificate. Note: undergraduate certificate oversight committees shall consist of a minimum of 3 members, 2 of which are faculty and at least one of the 2 is participating faculty in the certificate program. The oversight committee is responsible for 1) qualifications of participating faculty, 2) coordination of admissions recommendations with the Office of Admissions, and 3) curricular changes:

Ashley Munro, faculty

Kelly Jackson, faculty

Katelyn Barker, faculty

Michelle Mendoza, department advisor

VII. REQUIRED SIGNATURES

Program Director/Main Proposer (print name and title): Kelly Jackson, EdD, MS, RDN, Associate Professor of Practice and Director of Undergraduate Programs in the School of Nutritional Sciences and Wellness

Program Director/Main Proposer signature:

Date: 5/18/2022



Department Head (print name and title):

Department Head's signature: Scott Going, PhD, Director of the School of Nutritional Sciences and Wellness
Date:



Associate/Assistant Dean (print name): Michael Staten

Associate/Assistant Dean's signature:

Date: 10/9/22



Dean (print name):

Dean's signature:

Date:

For use by Curricular Affairs (Undergraduate):

Committee	Approval date
APS	
Undergraduate Council	
Undergraduate College Academic Administrators Council	

For use by Curricular Affairs (Graduate):

Committee	Approval date
GPERC	
Graduate College Academic Administrators Council	

Brief Research List:

Gordon, A. (2021). *What we don't talk about when we talk about fat*. Beacon Press. Gutin, I. (2017).

Grace E. Huebner, Jared T. McGuirt, Maryanne T. Perrin, Lauren A. Haldeman, Laurie Allen. (2021). Non-diet Weight-Neutral Curricula Limited in Current Accredited US Dietetic Programs, *Journal of Nutrition Education and Behavior*, 53 (6) 517-523.
<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ineb.2020.12.005>.

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Harrison, C. (2020). *Anti-diet: Reclaim your time, money, well-being, and happiness through intuitive eating*. Little Brown Spark.

Hatzenbuehler et al. Stigma as a fundamental cause of population health inequalities. *American Journal of Public Health*. 2013;103.

Hunger et al, An Evidence-Based Rationale for Adopting Weight-Inclusive Health Policy. *Social Issues and Policy Review*. 2020;73.

Link BG, Phelan JC. Conceptualizing stigma. *Annu Rev Soc*. 2001;27.

O'Hara L, Taylor J. What's wrong with the 'war on obesity?' A narrative review of the weight-centered health paradigm and development of the 3C framework to build critical competency for a paradigm shift. *SAGE Open*. 2018;8(2).

Phelan SM, Burgess DJ, Yeazel MW, Hellerstedt WL, Griffin JM, van Ryn M. Impact of weight bias and stigma on quality of care and outcomes for patients with obesity. *Obes Rev*. 2015;16(4):319–26.

Potter, L., Wallston, K., Trief, P., Ulbrecht, J., Juth, V., & Smyth, J. (2015). Attributing discrimination to weight: associations with well-being, self-care, and disease status in patients with type 2 diabetes mellitus. *Journal of Behavioral Medicine*, 38(6), 863–875.
<https://doi.org/10.1007/s10865-015-9655-0>

Puhl, R. M., Phelan, S. M., Nadglowski, J., & Kyle, T. K. (2016). Overcoming Weight Bias in the Management of Patients With Diabetes and Obesity. *Clinical Diabetes*, 34(1), 44–50.
<https://doi.org/10.2337/diaclin.34.1.44>

Stacey Dunn-Emke, M. S. R. D. N. (2020, January 30). *Dietetic career trends in 2020*. LinkedIn. Retrieved June 3, 2022, from <https://www.linkedin.com/pulse/dietetic-career-trends-2020-stacey-dunn-emke-ms-rdn/>

Tomiyama, A. J., Carr, D., Granberg, E. M., Major, B., Robinson, E., Sutin, A. R., & Brewis, A. (2018). How and why weight stigma drives the obesity 'epidemic' and harms health. *BMC Medicine*, 16(1). <https://doi.org/10.1186/s12916-018-1116-5>

Tylka TL, Annunziato RA, Burgard D, et al. The weight-inclusive versus weight-normative approach to health: evaluating the evidence for prioritizing well-being over weight loss. *J Obes*. 2014;2014:983495.

U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. (2022, April 18). *Dietitians and nutritionists : Occupational outlook handbook*. U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. Retrieved June 3, 2022, from <https://www.bls.gov/ooh/healthcare/dietitians-and-nutritionists.htm#:~:text=Employment%20of%20dietitians%20and%20nutritionists,on%20average%2C%20over%20the%20decade>

BUDGET PROJECTION FORM
Name of Proposed Program or Unit: Weight Inclusive Health UG Cert

Budget Contact Person: Darren Shevchuk	Projected		
	1st Year 2022 - 2023	2nd Year 2023 - 2024	3rd Year 2024 - 2025
METRICS			
Net increase in annual college enrollment UG	15	30	40
Net increase in college SCH UG	165	330	440
Net increase in annual college enrollment Grad			
Net increase in college SCH Grad			
Number of enrollments being charged a Program Fee			
New Sponsored Activity (MTDC)			
Number of Faculty FTE	1	1	1
FUNDING SOURCES			
Continuing Sources			
UG RCM Revenue (net of cost allocation)			
Grad RCM Revenue (net of cost allocation)			
Program Fee RCM Revenue (net of cost allocation)			
F and A Revenues (net of cost allocations)			
UA Online Revenues	\$ 82,500	\$ 181,500	\$ 242,000
Distance Learning Revenues			
Reallocation from existing College funds (attach description)			
Other Items (attach description)			
Total Continuing	\$ 82,500	\$ 181,500	\$ 242,000
One-time Sources			
College fund balances			
Institutional Strategic Investment			
Gift Funding			
Other Items (marketing items)	\$ 10,000		
Total One-time	\$10,000	\$0	\$0
TOTAL SOURCES	\$92,500	\$181,500	\$242,000
EXPENDITURE ITEMS			
Continuing Expenditures			
Faculty	65,000	65,000	65,000
Other Personnel (.50 FTE Year 3)			32,500
Employee Related Expense	20,150	20,150	30,225
Graduate Assistantships			
Other Graduate Aid			
Operations (materials, supplies, phones, etc.)			
Additional Space Cost	-		
Other Items (attach description)			
Total Continuing	\$85,150	\$85,150	\$127,725
One-time Expenditures			
Construction or Renovation	-		
Start-up Equipment	-		
Replace Equipment	-		
Library Resources			
Other Items (attach description)	-		
Total One-time	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$85,150	\$85,150	\$127,725
Net Projected Fiscal Effect	\$7,350	\$96,350	\$114,275



New Academic Program PEER COMPARISON

Select three peers (if possible/applicable) for completing the comparison chart from [ABOR-approved institutions](#), [AAU members](#), and/or other relevant institutions recognized in the field. The comparison programs are not required to have the same degree type and/or title as the proposed UA program. Information for the proposed UA program must be consistent throughout the proposal documents. Minors and Certificates may opt to include only 2 peer comparisons.

Program name, degree, and institution	Proposed UA Program	Peer 1 The University of Iowa	Peer 2 University of California- Davis
Current number of students enrolled	n/a	~ 30	Unknown
Program Description	<p>The "Certificate in Weight-Inclusive Health" provides an overview of the frameworks available to provide weight-inclusive care to individuals across the lifespan. The certificate program is open to any student, offered in fall and spring semester. The primary audience is undergraduate students from schools and colleges that educate "helping professions" such as Nutritional Sciences, Psychology, Social Work, Education, Nursing, and Public Health. It would also be helpful to students from health sciences schools and programs including the College of Medicine. All University of Arizona undergraduate students are eligible to participate.</p> <p>Topics addressing diversity within the</p>	<p>The undergraduate Certificate in Critical Cultural Competence is offered to any undergraduate student who isn't concurrently enrolled in a UI graduate or professional degree program. Students begin the certificate with CCCC:2220 Foundations of Critical Cultural Competence, which is offered fall and spring semesters and is prerequisite to the coursework that follows. Students complete the certificate's requirements with the capstone course, CCCC:4490 Integrative Seminar in Critical Cultural Competence, which is offered in spring semesters.</p> <p>In collaboration with the certificate program's coordinator, students establish study plans while completing the foundation course. The coordinator works with the academic advisor in the student's major to ensure that the study plan complements the student's academic program and career interests. The program coordinator approves the final study plan, recommends the sequence in which coursework should be taken,</p>	<p>The Healthcare Analytics Certificate Program provides students with the knowledge to succeed as a clinical and operational analyst in healthcare.</p> <p>The increasing availability of electronic health data creates an incredible opportunity to apply large-scale, clinical analytics to improve health care, manage risks and improve patient outcomes. UC Davis Division of Continuing and Professional Education's online Healthcare Analytics Certificate Program gives students the knowledge and practical skills to become a leader in this high-demand niche of the healthcare industry.</p>

	wellness industry will set future health practitioners apart.	schedules required courses, and keeps a record of each student's approved program and progress.	
Target Careers	Registered Dietitians Nursing Public Health Psychology/Counseling Family Consumer Science Medical Professions	College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Social Work Any Major	Medical and health services managers Computer Analysis
Emphases? (Yes/No) List, if applicable	No	No	No
Minimum # of units required	12	18	15
Level of Math required (if applicable)	N/A	N/A	Completion of an introductory statistics course (Statistics 1 or equivalent) is required for Applied Healthcare Statistics.
Level of Second Language required (if applicable)	None	None	None
Pre-Major? (Yes/No) If yes, provide requirements.	No	No	No
Special requirements to declare/gain admission? (i.e. pre-requisites, GPA, application, etc.)	Pre-requisites Minimum GPA of 2.0	Minimum GPA of 2.0	Pre-requisites Minimum GPA of 2.0
Internship, practicum, or applied/experiential requirements? If yes, describe.	No	No	No

Additional questions:

1. How does the proposed program align with peer programs? Briefly summarize the similarities between the proposed program and peers, which could include curriculum, overall themes, faculty expertise, intended audience, etc.

The proposed program aligns with peer programs from a logistics perspective with similarities in the amount of time to complete the certificate and requirements for admission. The proposed and peer certificates provide a way students can gain additional expertise in a specific field that enhances their job outlook for a reasonable cost. Additionally, each certificate is offered to current students, as well as non-degree seeking students.

Similarities also exist between the design of the programs. The proposed and peer certificates offer required core courses with additional elective options so that students can choose courses that are of most interest to them. The courses are also offered online, allowing maximum flexibility and participation from students. Each peer curriculum is comprehensive and specific to a theme where the courses build on each other and become more advanced as the student progresses through the courses. Similarly, our proposed curriculum has a weight-neutral theme and courses are scaffolded and built upon concepts and knowledge that students have gained in the course prior. Concepts become more advanced as the student progresses through the proposed certificate. In all certificates there are faculty members who are dedicated to these programs. All faculty members have educational experience with some faculty members working simultaneously in the applicable field. The proposed certificate will have a similar model where faculty members are working in the classroom with students while simultaneously working in the community and clinical settings. This model brings a unique expertise and relevance for students enrolled in the certificate program. The intended audience is similar for the programs since the primary target audience is undergraduate students and students who are interested in health, diversity and inclusion, and/or healthcare. The intended audiences are different in these examples in that the majors and future career students are different from each other, largely because there is not a similar program to the proposed certificate that is offered in the institutions selected.

2. How does the proposed program stand out or differ from peer programs? Briefly summarize the differences between the proposed program and peers, which could include curriculum, overall themes, faculty expertise, intended audience, etc.

The primary reason the proposed program stands out is because of the unique nature of the content. The peer programs used for this comparison were chosen because a program with similar content doesn't exist. While there are many programs that offer a degree or certificate in nutrition, these programs don't provide comprehensive training to provide weight-inclusive care to clients and patients across the lifespan. The proposed program stands out from its peers because it provides additional information that builds on the general health curriculum as it seeks to fill in the gaps of the present curriculum. The proposed curriculum allows for practical application of content, which is particularly useful for students that have already been working in the field. It also provides

additional, unique knowledge, which can make students more desirable for certain jobs. Healthcare and helping professionals are the intended audience and that may seem broad but speaks to the importance of interdisciplinary work in the healthcare field.

3. How do these differences make this program more applicable to the target student population and/or a better fit for the University of Arizona?

The proposed curriculum embodies the University of Arizona's commitment to diversity and inclusion by giving students the tools they need to promote and strive for health equity. The curriculum also stands for the University of Arizona's core values which include integrity, compassion, exploration, adaptation, inclusion and determination. The proposed curriculum shows places where health professionals can be more respectful, compassionate, and inclusive of all clients. The curriculum invites students to get curious about how they can help care for a patient without causing stigma or harm. The curriculum is determined to give health professionals the tools they need to provide patient-centered, weight-inclusive care. The University of Arizona is home to a variety of health majors, making it the ideal campus to offer this program. The program will be offered online and so it will be available to students in the Arizona Online, Global, and Main Campuses. In addition to learning how to provide weight-inclusive care to all individuals, students also engage in personal development and growth throughout the curriculum. This unique opportunity to develop personal resilience for eating and body image concerns will make them more prepared for what they will face in the future as a professional in the field.

The proposed certificate would serve as one of the first to provide formal training for weight-inclusive care to students. As the program is researched and refined, it can serve as a model for other health programs and universities to adapt. This work embodies the mission of the University of Arizona by continuously improving how we educate and innovate so that we can lead the way in tackling our greatest challenges.



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6 July 2022

Scott Going
Professor & Director
School of Nutritional Sciences and Wellness
College of Agriculture & Life Sciences

Dear Professor Going,

On behalf of the School of Sociology, I offer this letter in support of the proposed Minor and Undergraduate Certificate in Weight Inclusive Health. The School of Sociology is willing to include the following course as an elective in your proposed minor:

- CHS 309: Ethical Issues in the Helping Professions
- CHS 401: Health Disparities in Society

We look forward to supporting this collaboration, and are grateful for the opportunity to support this exciting program.

Sincerely,

Carrie Langley
PhD, MPH, RN
Assistant Professor of Practice
Director, Care, Health & Society Program

From: [Marchello, Elaine V - \(evm\)](#)
To: [Jackson, Kelly A - \(kjackson\)](#)
Subject: RE: Minors and Undergrad Certificate Question
Date: Wednesday, May 4, 2022 11:34:27 AM
Attachments: [image009.png](#)
[image010.png](#)
[Curriculum Map - Courses and Activities Mapped to Weight-Inclusive Health Minor.pdf](#)
[image001.png](#)
[image005.png](#)
[image006.png](#)
[Curriculum Map - Courses and Activities Mapped to Certificate in Weight-Inclusive Health.pdf](#)

Kelly,

Attached are your two maps. I added an indirect measure to both of them of a student survey as curriculum is going to look at that. Let me know if these are ok or if you need any changes.

Elaine



Elaine V Marchello, Ph.D.

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Adaptation • Inclusion • Determination**

From: Jackson, Kelly A - (kjackson) <kjackson@arizona.edu>

Sent: Wednesday, April 27, 2022 9:24 AM

To: Marchello, Elaine V - (evm) <evm@arizona.edu>

Subject: RE: Minors and Undergrad Certificate Question

Hi Elaine-

The group working on the new minor and undergrad certificate put together a rough draft of the curriculum maps for each program. Do you need anything else to create the map, or is that something I can do in Taskstream?

Minor –

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1V_RRb420kecWgy6DXIWrx3B1IHfChgasmBi6C5OJsQ/edit

Certificate - <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1RCMFDjFdlx-EdrALUQsBWOjfNvfIPxjSpEz9zI5Rq3c/edit>

Thanks for the help!
Kelly



Kelly Jackson, EdD, MS, RDN

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Subject: RE: Minors and Undergrad Certificate Question

Hi Kelly,

Yes, time does fly! Especially when you are busy! You do not need to report out on assessment for certificates or minors, so you do not need a workspace in Taskstream for them. I think, however, that you do need a map from us for the proposal. The forms have changed recently, so you might want to double check that you are using the most recent. ABOR has changed how the information on outcomes and assessment need to be done, so let me know if you need help with that. And the maps are super easy for us to do, so let me know when you need those.

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Hi Elaine!

Time flies, we are almost to the end of the spring semester. I hope you are doing well.

Quick question – I am working with a couple of NSC faculty who are submitting an undergraduate certificate and minor. Do these need to be added to TaskStream at this point? From what I can tell a curricular map isn't required as part of the proposal process, like a new major, but I might have missed something. Any guidance would be appreciated.

Thanks,
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