Main Campus Bachelor Degree Program Offerings at Wayne College and/or UA Satellite Locations

Beginning Premise

UA will offer in-demand bachelor’s degrees at Wayne College and other satellite locations in coordination with main campus programs (source: UA Three-Year Action Plan).

Conceptual Underpinnings

Curriculum and Governance
A. Like all UA degrees, stewardship of the academic programs offered at the Wayne campus shall fall to the associated main campus FT TT and NTT program faculty; this oversight includes but may not be limited to:

1. Revision and/or restructuring of the program and/or its courses
2. Development of new courses, certificates, minors, and/or degree programs, including 2+2 pathways
3. Assessment policies and practices
4. Accreditation attainment or maintenance
5. Program delivery

Faculty – New Hires
A. FT TT and NTT faculty with primary assignment in a degree program offered at the Wayne campus and/or a satellite location(s) shall:

1. be members of the main Campus departments/schools in which the degree programs are housed, with all associated rights and responsibilities, but with residency assignment to the Wayne campus and/or other satellite location.
2. also have service requirements at Wayne College.
3. be subject to governance policies and practices of the associated Main Campus department/school and college, which includes but may not be limited to:
   a. RTP
   b. Merit
   c. Service
4. hired in accordance with current Akron AAUP and UA Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) policies.

B. PT faculty teaching at the Wayne campus and/or a satellite location(s) shall:

1. meet the University’s requirements regarding appropriate academic and/or professional credentials as reviewed by the related main campus department/school.
2. be reviewed for promotion, salary increases, etc. according to the University’s guidelines as reviewed by the related main campus department/school.

C. All new hires (FT and PT) shall be hired based on the appropriate main campus guidelines to address compliance with accreditation and other qualifications requirements.

Student Services
A. Wayne campus students will be serviced primarily by Wayne College student services units in coordination with main campus student services units.
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Degree Programs to be offered at Wayne campus and/or satellite locations (referred to below as “main campus degree programs”)

A. Fall 2019: Initiatives in Nursing (820000BS); Business Administration (602000BBA); Strategic and Organization Communication (C60101BA); and Education (ECITPP) will commence and be continued pending presentation of business case for each program (including data supporting the existence of a market for each degree offering) to be evaluated in spring 2021.

B. Additional main campus degrees offered at the Wayne campus and/or another satellite location(s) will be determined on the basis of market-driven data and the success of these initiatives.

C. Implementation of main campus degree programs at Wayne College

1. Program Coordination
   a. Course schedules (to include days, times, and modes of delivery) shall be developed by the Wayne Campus in coordination with related main campus administrators and respective deans’ offices.
   b. Course schedule management (to include cancelations, additions, decisions to run low-enrolled classes) shall be determined by the main campus department/school in coordination with the Wayne Campus and respective deans’ offices.
   c. Online course sections shall originate from the main campus department/school.
   d. All faculty teaching at Wayne will be required to conform to departmental guidelines regarding standardized syllabus, course material, testing etc.

Other Considerations - TBD

A. Current Wayne Faculty - assignment to main campus units – there is past-practice/precedent for relocation of faculty;

B. Tuition and fee structure (e.g., upper level classes at UA rate; lower level classes at Wayne rate? Gen ed at Wayne rate; degree at main campus rate?). Financial implications of tuition strategy should be evaluated by the CFO’s office.

C. General Fund budget allocations (personnel and operating)

D. Student Head Count, Course Head Count allocations

E. Recruiting and promotion /enrollment management – responsibility of Wayne

F. Program Evaluation and Assessment (e.g., timeline and basis for evaluating the impact of four-year degree programs at Wayne vis a vis net new students and not cannibalization of main campus enrollment)