Utah System of Higher Education
New Administrative Unit Proposal
Cover/Signature Page - Abbreviated Template

Institution Submitting Request: Dixie State University

Proposed Effective Date*: January 1, 2018

Institutional Board of Trustees’ Approval Date:

Proposed Unit Title: Department of Accounting and Finance

Sponsoring School, College, or Division: College of Business and Communication

Sponsoring Academic Department(s) or Unit(s): Department of Accounting

Proposed Unit Type:

☒ New Administrative Unit
☐ New Center
☐ New Institute
☐ New Bureau
☐ Conditional Three-Year Approval for New Center, Institute, or Bureau

Chief Academic Officer (or Designee) Signature:
I, the Chief Academic Officer or Designee, certify that all required institutional approvals have been obtained prior to submitting this request to the Office of the Commissioner.

Dr. Michael Lacourse DSU Provost Date: July 17, 2017

☐ I understand that checking this box constitutes my legal signature.

*“Proposed Effective Date” refers to date after Regent approval when new unit is operational or change to unit is published.
New Unit Description - Abbreviated Template

Section I: The Request

Dixie State University requests approval to establish Department of Accounting and Finance effective January 1, 2018. This action was approved by the institutional Board of Trustees on .

Section II: Program Proposal

Administrative Unit Description/Rationale
Present a brief description of the unit. Describe the institutional procedures used to arrive at the action being proposed. Briefly indicate why a new administrative unit or change to the unit is justified. Are similar units offered elsewhere in the USHE or the State? State how the institution and the USHE benefit from the proposed unit or unit change.

There are natural synergies between the disciplines and the curriculum for each of the degree programs more closely align than they do with business administration. This change will also more evenly balance the number of faculty in each department.

Consistency with Institutional Mission/Institutional Impact
Explain how the unit is consistent with the institution’s Regents approved mission, roles, and goals. Describe how the existing administrative structures support the proposed unit and identify new organizational structures that may be needed. What changes in faculty and staff will be required?

No change in faculty will be needed. This change will also more evenly balance the number of faculty in each department.

Finances
What costs or savings are anticipated with the actions proposed? What new facilities or modifications to existing facilities or equipment are needed? Describe any budgetary impact on other programs or units within the institution. If new funds are required, describe expected sources of funds.

No financial impact of this change.