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To: UNLV Campus Community

From: Rainier Spencer
Vice Provost for Academic Affairs

Subject: New Degree: Doctor of Dental Surgery (DDS)

The Doctor of Dental Surgery (DDS) was approved by the NSHE Board of Regents at the March 2017 meeting for implementation in summer of 2017.

The primary objective of this proposal is to create, implement, and sustain an effective customized Doctor of Dental Surgery curriculum as a sustainable program of the School of Dental Medicine. This program will provide additional diversity of dentists in communities in Las Vegas and elsewhere in the U.S. and create a richer and more diverse student learning environment where students will learn more about cultural diversity than can be taught in a classroom. In addition, the foreign-trained students who will be students in the program are already dentists in their respective countries, so they are well-prepared to treat the SDM's underserved patient populations and enrich the patient experience by the diversity they bring to it.

Effective: Summer 2017

This is the final approval.

Please note for lists, databases, and generation of appropriate codes, etc.

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