

In response to the Board of Trustees request to undertake an Academic Portfolio Review at Utica University, President Laura Casamento delivered the following recommendations on January 18, 2023. A campus community comment phase is now open, during which faculty, staff, and students may respond to the recommendations. All comments must be received through the portal below (password protected through your University username and password) or via email to comments@utica.edu (from your University email account). The public comment phase is open now through February 2, 2023.

The recommendations listed below include: (1) recommendations for program continuation with required modifications; and (2) recommendations to sunset programs. Programs recommended for sunset, if approved by the Trustees, will no longer admit new students into the program and all marketing of the program will cease.

Accounting – BS degree

This major should remain in the portfolio but with necessary modifications to maintain alignment with CPA standards. The major should delete concentrations, and merge them into one singular, comprehensive program.

Chemistry – BS degree

This major should be sunset. Additional support to grow the Biochemistry degree should simultaneously occur.

Criminal Justice – BS degree, online delivery

This major should be sunset.

English – BA degree

This major should remain but be modified to reflect relevancy in fields including technical writing, digital writing, editing and publishing. The program should also

streamline major requirements to reduce the frequent offering of low-enrolled upper-division courses.

Financial Crimes Investigator Certificate

This certificate should remain but be modified to reflect current, up-to-date curriculum that is industry relevant.

Fraud and Financial Crime Investigation – BS, campus delivery

This major should be sunset. Additional support should be directed to the solely online degree.

Fraud and Financial Crime Investigation – BS, online delivery

This major should remain but be modified to reflect key industry elements.

Geoscience – BA degree

This major should be sunset.

Geoscience – BS degree

This major should be sunset.

Healthcare Management – BS degree, campus delivery

This major should be sunset.

Healthcare Management – BS degree, online delivery

This major should be sunset.

Health Sciences – BS degree, online OT Weekend program

This major should remain but be modified by revising the residency requirements, and aligning resources with the existing weekend OT master's program.

History – BA degree

This major should remain but be modified to develop a course rotation that reduces the frequent offering of low-enrolled upper-division courses, as well as teach to the standards in the emerging adolescent education degrees.

International Studies – BA degree

This major should be sunset.

Mathematics – BA degree

This major should remain but be modified to reflect widespread student interest and employer demand in fields of applied mathematics. Such relevant fields may include actuarial mathematics, operations research, and applied statistics, among others.

Nutrition – BS degree

This major should be sunset. Additional support to grow the Dietetics and Nutrition BS degree should simultaneously occur.

Philosophy – BA degree

This major should be sunset.

Physics – BA degree

This major should be sunset. Additional support to grow the Physics BS degree should simultaneously occur.

Physics – BS degree

This major should remain but be modified to expand opportunities for joint admissions/affiliation programs, including Engineering programs.

Political Science – BA degree

This major should remain but be modified to streamline the content, which includes reducing the large number of elective options, as well as developing a plan to attract most majors into a pre-law pathway. The launching of the Master's in Public Administration degree should be delayed until these modifications in the undergraduate major are complete.

Public Relations and Marketing – BBA degree

This major should be sunset, with the recommendation that the faculty develop a Digital Media Marketing and Management credential to replace it.

Sociology and Anthropology – BA degree

This major should be sunset.

Spanish – BA degree

This major should be sunset.

Therapeutic Recreation – BS degree

This major should be sunset.

Credentials recommended for modification must have a plan in place to their respective School Deans no later than September 1, 2023, with the goal to implement the modifications for the Fall 2024 semester.