TO: University of Arizona Undergraduate Curriculum Committee

FROM: Pam Perry, Associate Dean

RE: Changes to IDS

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I am writing to support the proposed changes to the IDS major. As I understand the proposal, students will be allowed greater flexibility when selecting the three legs of the IDS program.

As an impacted undergraduate college at the UdA we carefully watch proposals that might further exacerbate our enrollment pressures. The Eller general business minor is the only IDS leg that will be allowed in our College. This is somewhat problematic as we only have three upper division courses in the minor and the IDS calls for four. Consequently, a general business IDS leg will put pressure on Engineering Management, Agricultural Economics, Racetrack Management, Retail and Consumer Studies, or Economics to complete the fourth upper division course.

The IDS leg within Eller:
(21 units)
1. MIR 111 (available only in spring)
2. Accting 200 (available only in fall)
3. Econ 200 (difficult as it is a tier II course )
4. BAD 301
5. BAD 302
6. BAD 303
7. (Engineering Mgmt, Agricultural Economics, Retail, Econ, Racetrack Management elective)

I understand that Eller will oversee the planning and completion of this IDS track for students interested in business, in coordination with University College.

If this is consistent with the proposed changes to the IDS program, I support the greater flexibility for students.