

## COMMISSION FOR HIGHER EDUCATION

Friday, February 13, 2009

### DISCUSSION ITEM C: Update on New Degree Programs at Ivy Tech Community College

#### Staff Recommendation

For discussion only.

Dr. Donald Doucette, Sr. Vice President and Provost, and Dr. Marnia Kennon, Vice Provost, both of Ivy Tech Community College will report on four (4) new or revised degree programs that demonstrate the growth and development of Ivy Tech, its expanded mission, and its responsiveness to “Reaching Higher”. Listed below are the degree programs to be profiled and a few comments on each:

**Biotechnology/Life Sciences** – Good enrollment; early completion rates; high-level coursework; training & workforce development; aligned with State’s economic development strategy; and linkages to national networks.

**Education** – High enrollment attained quickly; articulation in place with most other institutions; major new portal into a teaching career in Indiana; bringing diverse student body into the teaching profession; and providing centers for educational improvement in Indiana communities.

**Advanced Manufacturing** – Updated curriculum; industrial roundtables across the state; supported by federal grant; articulation with Purdue under development; both associate degrees and certificate programs now available; and private partnerships to provide online certificates in critical need areas.

**College for Working Adults** - Early enrollment and completion data; opportunities to bring to scale; and challenges in recruiting cohorts of working adults.

#### Supporting Document

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