

Montana Board of Regents  
ACADEMIC PROPOSAL REQUEST FORM

FEBRUARY/2022

ITEM XXX-XXXX

**DEPARTMENT NAME CHANGE – FROM “MILITARY AEROSPACE STUDIES” TO “MILITARY AIR & SPACE STUDIES”**

Institution: Montana State University CIP Code: N/A

Program/Center/Institute Title: Military Aerospace Studies (Air Force ROTC), Norm Asbjornson College of Engineering

Includes (please specify below): Face-to-face Offering:      Online Offering:      Blended Offering:     

Options: N/A

**Proposal Summary [360 words maximum]**

**What:** The Norm Asbjornson College of Engineering and Montana State University seek approval to rename the current Military Aerospace Studies department to Military Air and Space Studies.

**Why:** On 20 December 2019 the United States Space Force was established as a separate military service under the Department of the Air Force. The Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corp (AFROTC) program, including AFROTC Detachment 450 hosted by Montana State University, will remain the primary commissioning source for both the United States Air Force and the United States Space Force. While a change to include Space in the AFROTC name is not currently projected from the Department of Defense, Montana State University has a unique opportunity to honor both military services while also drawing attention to MSU’s extensive research and academic efforts in the space domain.

The point of contact for this request is Lieutenant Colonel Lance Ratterman, Professor of Aerospace Studies and Commander AFROTC Detachment 450.

**Resources:** Few if any required beyond digital updates to websites, course catalogs, etc.

**ATTACHMENTS**

N/A

Please mark the appropriate type of request and submit with any additional materials, including those listed in parentheses following the type of request. For more information pertaining to the types of requests listed below, how to complete an item request, or additional forms please visit <http://mus.edu/che/arsa/academicproposals.asp>.

**A. Level I:**

**Campus Approvals**

**1a. Placing a postsecondary educational program into moratorium** (Program Termination and Moratorium Form)

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\_\_\_\_\_ **1b. Withdrawing a postsecondary educational program from moratorium**

\_\_\_\_\_ **2. Establishing, re-titling, terminating or revising a campus certificate of 29 credits or less**

\_\_\_\_\_ **3. Establishing a B.A.S./A.A./A.S. area of study**

\_\_\_\_\_ **4. Offering an existing postsecondary educational program via distance or online delivery**

**OCHE Approvals**

\_\_\_\_\_ **5. Re-titling an existing postsecondary educational program**

\_\_\_\_\_ **6. Terminating an existing postsecondary educational program** (Program Termination and Moratorium Form)

\_\_\_\_\_ **7. Consolidating existing postsecondary educational programs** (Curriculum Proposal Form)

\_\_\_\_\_ **8. Establishing a new minor where there is a major or an option in a major** (Curriculum Proposal Form)

\_\_\_\_\_ **9. Revising a postsecondary educational program** (Curriculum Proposal Form)

\_\_\_\_\_ **10. Establishing a temporary C.A.S. or A.A.S. degree program** *Approval limited to 2 years*

\_\_\_\_\_ **B. Level II:**

\_\_\_\_\_ **1. Establishing a new postsecondary educational program** (Curriculum Proposal and Completed Request to Plan Form)

\_\_\_\_\_ **2. Permanent authorization for a temporary C.A.S. or A.A.S degree program** (Curriculum Proposal and Completed Request to Plan Form)

\_\_\_\_\_ **3. Exceeding the 120-credit maximum for baccalaureate degrees** *Exception to policy 301.11*

\_\_\_\_\_ **4. Forming, eliminating or consolidating an academic, administrative, or research unit** (Curriculum or Center/Institute Proposal and completed Request to Plan, except when eliminating or consolidating)

**X** \_\_\_\_\_ **5. Re-titling an academic, administrative, or research unit**