

JOHN A. BURNS SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

Context: We recognize the need to strengthen and expand physician training as well as research & scholarship in JABSOM while also sustaining the important services performed in the community. We also support the JABSOM faculty's desire to engage in student instruction and mentoring across the Life Sciences on campus. Some of our original recommendations mirrored the dean's ideas from two years ago on department reorganization. We view our present situation as an opportunity to revisit that discussion.

October 12 Presentation:

- [JABSOM Presentation](#)
- [JABSOM Presentation Video](#)

Departments of Anatomy, Biochemistry & Physiology; Cell & Molecular Biology; and Quantitative Health Sciences

Revised Recommendations (as of October 13, 2020)

- [Increase collaboration with faculty in the Life Sciences \(Natural Sciences\).](#)
- [Work with the UH administration and the College of Natural Sciences to ensure that JABSOM faculty receive credit for instruction, as appropriate.](#)
- [Consider partnering with the Life Sciences programs at Mānoa on combined BS/MS degree pathways to recruit students into the master's degree programs.](#)
- [Consider working with the life sciences faculty in CNS, CTAHR, SOEST, and the UH Cancer Center to establish a life sciences advisory committee to facilitate better collaboration across research and instruction in these units.](#)

Details

- The Mānoa Budget Team met with faculty in Anatomy, Biochemistry & Physiology on Friday, October 9, 2020; with faculty in Cell & Molecular Biology on Wednesday, October 7, 2020; and with faculty in Quantitative Health Sciences on October 9. Summaries of meetings with department faculty will be posted on the Planning for Post-Pandemic Hawai'i website.
- The team understands that a merger of departments and programs will adversely impact the research of these units, and potentially, may impact LSME accreditation. The recommendations to merge the departments and programs have been removed.
- The faculty raised a few issues that the UHM administration will need to address across campus, including ensuring that JABSOM faculty receive credit for instruction (SSH), particularly for courses taught at the undergraduate level.

- Faculty in the School of Life Sciences (CNS) are in discussions to develop combined BS/MS pathways for their degree programs. We encourage faculty in JABSOM to consider partnering with the Life Sciences, as well as other units, to develop BS/MS pathways towards the JABSOM master's degrees as well. Combined pathways can facilitate collaboration and increase recruitment of UHM students into these programs.
- The team agrees with the dean and the faculty that a campus life sciences advisory committee would assist in increasing collaboration across the life sciences units on campus. The Provost is committed to facilitating its creation.

Department of Quantitative Health Sciences

Revised Recommendations (as of October 13, 2020)

- [Work with Outreach College to recruit students and to increase enrollment in the Clinical & Translational Research courses available to clinicians and scientists.](#)

Details

- The Mānoa Budget Team met with faculty in Quantitative Health Sciences on Friday, October 9, 2020. Summaries of meetings with department faculty will be posted on the Planning for Post-Pandemic Hawai'i website.
- The team understands that a merger of departments will adversely impact the research of these units, and potentially, may impact LSME accreditation. The recommendations to merge the departments have been removed.
- The faculty noted that the MS degree program no longer adheres to a cohort model. That recommendation has been removed as it has been addressed.
- The team notes that the Department does offer courses via extension for clinicians; however, to date no students have taken advantage of these opportunities. We encourage the faculty to develop a marketing and recruitment strategy in collaboration with Outreach College to increase awareness and enrollment in these courses.

Department of Tropical Medicine, Medical Microbiology & Pharmacology

Revised Recommendations (as of October 13, 2020)

- Review recruitment strategies for all Tropical Medicine programs, including the Graduate Certificate offered through extension.
- [Increase collaboration with faculty in the Life Sciences \(Natural Sciences\).](#)
- [Consider partnering with the Life Sciences programs at Mānoa on combined BS/MS degree pathways to recruit students into the master's degree programs.](#)
- [Consider working with the life sciences faculty in CNS, CTAHR, SOEST, and the UH Cancer Center to establish a life sciences advisory committee to facilitate better collaboration across research and instruction in these units.](#)

Details

- The Mānoa Budget Team has yet to meet with faculty associated with the Department of Tropical Medicine, Medical Microbiology & Pharmacology.
- In response to the 2014 program review, the Department began collaborating with Outreach College to offer the Certificate in Tropical Medicine online to increase enrollment.
- Faculty in the School of Life Sciences (Natural Sciences) are in discussions to develop combined BS/MS pathways for their degree programs. We encourage faculty in JABSOM to consider partnering with the Life Sciences, as well as other units, to develop BS/MS pathways towards the JABSOM master's degrees as well. Combined pathways can facilitate collaboration and increase recruitment of UHM students into these programs.
- The team agrees with the Dean and the faculty that a campus advisory committee for the life sciences would assist in increasing collaboration across the Life Sciences units on campus. The Provost is committed to facilitating its creation.

Doctor of Medicine Program

Revised Recommendations (as of October 13, 2020)

- [Work with the UH administration, the State, and other partners to increase the number of residency slots.](#)

Details

- The Mānoa Budget Team has yet to meet with faculty associated with the MD program; however, the Dean addressed the recommendations in the JABSOM response. Recommendations regarding LSME accreditation issues and the MD/PhD programs have been removed.
- As the Dean noted, increasing the number of residency slots will require resources and collaboration across the state. The team recommends that the President, Provost, and the Dean initiate discussions with the governor, legislators, and other partners towards the development of a long-term plan to increase residency slots.

Department of Communication Sciences & Disorders

Revised Recommendations (as of October 13, 2020)

- [None](#)

Details

- The Mānoa Budget Team has yet to meet with faculty in Communications Sciences and Disorders; however, we read with interest the response from JABSOM on the recommendations.
- The recommendation regarding the BS program has been removed.
- The team understands that the faculty do not foresee any challenges or issues with respect to the upcoming accreditation review. The recommendation for follow-up has been removed.

Department of Medical Technology

Revised Recommendations (as of October 13, 2020)

- Collaborate with KCC to increase the number of students who enter the KCC program as well as the number who transfer to UHM to complete the 2+2 program.

Details

- The Mānoa Budget Team has yet to meet with faculty in Medical Technology; however, we read with interest the response from JABSOM on the recommendations.
- The team has received JABSOM's assessment that the KCC program alone is insufficient to support the needs of the State. The team encourages the faculty to work closely with KCC to increase enrollment in the KCC as well as the UHM portions of the program.