



UTAH SYSTEM OF
HIGHER EDUCATION

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MEMORANDUM

Higher Education and Corrections Council 2022 Report

The Higher Education and Corrections Council was created by [House Bill 226 \(2022\)](#) “to advise the [Board of Higher Education], the Education Interim Committee, and the Higher Education Appropriations Subcommittee regarding the development and delivery of accredited higher education curriculum to incarcerated individuals in the state correctional system” ([UCA 53B-35-201\(1\)](#)).

The Council’s statutory charge is to coordinate, facilitate, and support education to prepare for integration and productive employment upon release ([UCA 53B-35-202\(1\)](#)). They are to explore and provide recommendations to the Utah Board of Higher Education (UBHE) and the Utah Department of Corrections (UDC) for delivery of higher education, collection and analysis of data, and requests for legislative appropriations.

The attached Council report of programs, plans, and recommendations for higher education in corrections facilities is provided in accordance with [UCA 53B-35-202\(2\)](#).

Commissioner’s Recommendation

Information item only; no action is required.

Attachment