## ASACR 2

Office of the President February 21, 2025

Members, Board of Trustees:

## GRADUATE CERTIFICATE: COLLEGE OF SOCIAL WORK

<u>Recommendation</u>: that the Board of Trustees approve the establishment of a graduate certificate in Rural Health and Wellbeing, within the College of Social Work.

<u>Background</u>: The proposed certificate in Rural Health and Wellbeing will introduce a capacity lens and holistic approach to the multifaceted complexities facing social work practice with rural populations and communities. Students will develop a critical understanding of the systemic connections between the communities and the people they serve. Identification of the structural, social, resource and policy driven challenges will be examined.

The proposed graduate certificate has been recommended to the Provost by the College of Social Work faculty, given their expertise within their respective disciplines. The Provost of the University supports the program faculty's recommendation.