Rationale and Justification:
This proposal is based on the recommendations of the Shared Governance Subcommittee and the rationale and explanations are provided below. The complete report can be viewed on the Faculty Senate Website, in the Documents section.

Changes in existing online degree programs for which such changes may fall under the purview of academic shared governance should be routed through the corresponding academic shared governance committee for approval. As an example, if an existing approved online program has course lengths, enrollment size, graduate faculty and graduate assistant usage, etc. that reflect the traditional classroom-based programs, but wishes to change its online delivery in such a manner that significantly changes these dynamics (i.e. significantly larger enrollments, the extensive use of teaching assistants, etc.), the proposed program should be routed through the corresponding academic shared governance committee for approval.