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Centsong Lin* (ctl@cwu.edu), Mathematics Department, Central Washington University, Ellensburg, WA 98926, and Yvonne Chueh (Chueh@cwu.edu). Moving from undergraduate actuarial science program to advanced undergraduate actuarial science program - Central Washington University, Ellensburg, WA. Preliminary report.

Central Washington University established undergraduate actuarial science program in 1985. Over past two decades, with the enthusiasm of two faculty members (both statisticians and one with several actuarial exams passed), the program has helped students obtain full-time jobs and summer interns as part of tradition. The new replacement for the retired faculty (founder of the program) coming with actuarial designation and industrial experience has revamped the curriculum to fit the new exam requirements. All the VEE courses got approved by SOA/CAS. All three faculty members (one new hired tenure track) take turns to teach actuarial/probability sequences. Color brochures are printed for advertisement. Regular guest speakers, field trips, regional meetings, and on-campus interviews are scheduled annually. We like the team setting that allows sabbatical leave and sharing advising. Life is wonderful at CWU for actuarial faculty and students. The small actuarial community is gaining more fame on campus partly because of our distinguished graduates and money gifts from graduates and local companies. In this meeting, we will share with you our experience in developing actuarial science program. (Received September 28, 2005)