

University Curriculum Committee

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TO: Lane Crothers, Chair, Academic Senate

FROM: Carlyn Morenus, Chairperson

University Curriculum Committee

RE: Executive Summary of the Proposal from Department of Agriculture

The University Curriculum Committee has approved and is forwarding for Academic Senate review the attached proposal to delete the Agribusiness Program – Agribusiness Major from the *Undergraduate Catalog* and to move its three sequences to the Major in Agriculture. As backup information, the revision of the Major in Agriculture has been included.

The Faculty of the Department of Agriculture proposes that the Major in Agribusiness be deleted and the sequences, Agribusiness, Food Industry Management, and Horticulture, be reassigned to the Major in Agriculture, which will result in all sequences offered by the Department being consolidated under the single program. The Department of Agriculture believes that this deletion and revision will streamline the Department's curricular review procedures and bring the Department's curriculum structure more in line with other departments in the College of Applied Science and Technology. They believe that this change will reduce the confusion of current prospective students as well as prospective employers.

The University Curriculum Committee and the College of Applied Science and Technology have approved and support the proposed changes.