

UNIVERSITY COUNCIL
ACADEMIC PROGRAMS COMMITTEE
FOR INFORMATION ONLY

PRESENTED BY: Len Proctor, Chair, Academic Programs Committee of Council

DATE OF MEETING: March 15, 2012

SUBJECT: **Items for Information:**
Agriculture and Bioresources: Change of name of Minor to Minor in Agribusiness Entrepreneurship
Pharmacy and Nutrition: Temporary change in Nutrition admission quota
Medicine: Change in program credit units due to change in genetics course

COUNCIL ACTION: For information only

SUMMARY:

The following items were approved by the Academic Programs Committee at its meeting of February 29, 2012 and are reported to Council for information:

1. Agriculture and Bioresources: Change of name of Minor to Minor in Agribusiness Entrepreneurship. The College of Agriculture and Bioresources requested a change in the name of its Minor in Food and Bioproducts Entrepreneurship to Minor in Agribusiness Entrepreneurship. Council has delegated to Academic Programs Committee the authority to approve names of Minor programs.
2. Pharmacy and Nutrition: Temporary change in Nutrition admission quota
Permanent changes to admission quotas are approved by Council and confirmed by Senate. This change is a temporary one due to internship placement requirements. It will be reported to Senate for information.
3. Medicine: Change in program credit units due to change in genetics course.
Some recent course changes in the College of Medicine approved by the University Course Challenge have had the result of making the MD program one-credit-unit shorter. This change was reported to Academic Programs Committee for information.

ATTACHMENTS:

Name Change form from College of Agriculture and Bioresources
Memo about temporary change in Nutrition quota
Memo about change in genetics teaching



Office of the University Secretary

Request for Change of Name

This Request form and attachments will be the basis for decision-making about this change.

Submitted by: Department of Bioresource Policy, Business and Economics

Date: December 1, 2011

College: __Agriculture and Bioresources_____

College approval date: __November 2011

Proposed effective date of the change: 2012/13 Calendar

1. Proposed change of name

	From:	To:
College		
Department		
Program name		
Degree name		
Name of Field of Specialization (major, minor, concentration, etc)	Minor in Food and Bioproducts Entrepreneurship	Minor in Agribusiness Entrepreneurship
Course label (alphabetic)	n/a	n/a
Building	n/a	n/a
Street		
Other		

2. Documentation

Rationale

The Food and Bioproducts Entrepreneurship title was selected prior to college and department name changes, and was meant to differentiate it from the Edwards Entrepreneurship label. Since that time, the College name was changed to include 'bioresources' and the Food and Applied Microbiology department name changed to Food and Bioproduct Sciences. This change in particular has caused confusion for both students and within the university community and the minor is often mistakenly linked with the FBS Department. This change in title creates a more obvious link to the department with academic authority for it.

Impact of the change

Changing the title of the Food and Bioproduct Entrepreneurship minor to Agribusiness Entrepreneurship more clearly represents the content of the minor to prospective students and the expertise of its graduates to employers.

Costs

Technical changes in Sirius will be required to change the title of the field of specialization. No course labels will be changed.

Consultation

3. Review and Approval Authority

All changes of names for academic entities must be requested by the responsible college, following internal approval by its own approval procedures.

After submission of the Request by the College, the following approval procedures are used, and must be initiated by the College:

- **Changes of course labels** are approved by the Registrar in consultation with the college offering the courses. Any disputes arising over course label changes will be referred to the Academic Programs Committee for resolution. Course label changes are to be distributed for information through the Course Challenge system.
- **Changes of names for colleges and departments** are approved by University Council (following recommendation by the Planning & Priorities Committee) and by the Board of Governors.
- **Changes of names for degrees or a degree-level programs** are approved by University Council
- **Changes of names for fields of specialization** are approved by the Academic Programs Committee of Council.
- **Changes of names for buildings, streets and other physical entities** are approved by the Board of Governors (following recommendation by the Naming Committee).

If you have any questions about this form or these procedures, please contact the Office of the University Secretary or email university.secretary@usask.ca

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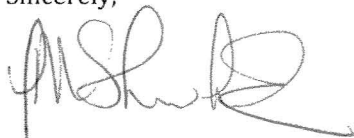
Dear Dr. Proctor:

The College of Pharmacy and Nutrition wishes to make you aware of a temporary change in the admission quota for the Nutrition Program in the College of Pharmacy and Nutrition. Since 2004 we have admitted 28 students to the first year of the nutrition program. The last year of the Nutrition program consists of NUTR 530.33 which is referred to as the internship year and is entirely experiential. We have an agreement with the Saskatoon Health Region and the Regina Qu'Appelle Health Region for the internship program and their capacity is 12 students each. As a result of a lower than expected attrition rate in the last few years as well as a number of students who split years for academic or medical reasons we have a total of 31 students entering NUTR 530.33 for the 2012-2013 academic year and our projected number of students based on this lower attrition rate is above the health region capacity of 24 for the following two years.

We are currently working on solutions with the health regions to manage the increased load for the next two and possibly three years. It will take time to assess whether health region capacity can be increased in the long term or whether we need to make permanent adjustments in our admission quotas. Understandably, the health regions would like some indication that we are seriously addressing this issue and one way of doing this is to reduce our admission quota for 2012-2013 to 26 students. We currently reserve 4 spaces for non-residents of SK and two SK resident spaces are reserved for aboriginal students. This will remain the same. The admission deadline is February 15, 2012 and we have indicated on our website that we will be admitting 26 students for the coming academic year.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 966-6330 or yvonne.shevchuk@usask.ca.

Sincerely,



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cc-David S. Hill, Dean of Pharmacy and Nutrition
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MEMORANDUM

TO: Academic Programs Committee
FROM: Cathie Fornssler, Committee Coordinator
DATE: February 20, 2012
RE: **Item for Information**

In the [December, 2011 University Course Challenge](#), the following new course was approved:

Med 110.1 Medical Genetics

One hour lecture per week

Students gain an appreciation of genetic factors involved in determining the health and illness of individuals, populations, principles and knowledge of genetics.

Rationale: We are moving Medical Genetics teaching from Year 2 to Year 1.

Dr. E. Lemire, Course Coordinator

It should also have been noted that as a result of this change, the College also intended to delete its second-year course, MED 206.2 Genetics. This deletion was reported at an item for information in the [February, 2012 University Course Challenge](#).

The impact of this change is that the Medicine program is now one credit unit shorter than it used to be – 170 credit units instead of 171. This change has no effect on student tuition or on the overall length of the Medicine program. However, based on the program approval procedures of Council, this change in the length of a program should have been approved by APC and by University Council, rather than through the University Course Challenge procedure.
