

UNIVERSITY FACULTY SENATE FORMS**Academic Program Approval**

This form is a routing document for the approval of new and revised academic programs. Proposing department should complete this form. For more information, call the Faculty Senate Office at 831-2921.

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Action: divide existing academic department into two new academic departments
(Example: add major/minor/concentration, delete major/minor/concentration, revise major/minor/concentration, academic unit name change, request for permanent status, policy change, etc.)

Effective term 07/01/10
(use format 04F, 05W)

Current degree _____
(Example: BA, BACH, BACJ, HBA, EDD, MA, MBA, etc.)

Proposed change leads to the degree of: _____
(Example: BA, BACH, BACJ, HBA, EDD, MA, MBA, etc.)

Proposed name: _____
Proposed new name for revised or new major / minor / concentration / academic unit
(if applicable)

Revising or Deleting:

Undergraduate major / Concentration: _____
(Example: Applied Music – Instrumental degree BMAS)

Undergraduate minor: _____
(Example: African Studies, Business Administration, English, Leadership, etc.)

Graduate Program Policy statement change: _____
(Must attach your Graduate Program Policy Statement)

Graduate Program of Study: _____
(Example: Animal Science: MS Animal Science: PHD Economics: MA Economics: PHD)

Graduate minor / concentration: _____

Note: all graduate studies proposals must include an electronic copy of the Graduate Program Policy Document, highlighting the changes made to the original policy document.

List new courses required for the new or revised curriculum. How do they support the overall program objectives of the major/minor/concentrations)?

(Be aware that approval of the curriculum is dependent upon these courses successfully passing through the Course Challenge list. If there are no new courses enter "None")

None

Explain, when appropriate, how this new/revised curriculum supports the 10 goals of undergraduate education:
<http://www.ugs.udel.edu/gened/>

N/A – no curriculum change associated

Identify other units affected by the proposed changes:
(Attach permission from the affected units. If no other unit is affected, enter "None")

None

Describe the rationale for the proposed program change(s):
(Explain your reasons for creating, revising, or deleting the curriculum or program.)

Proposal to Reorganize the Department of Health, Nutrition & Exercise Sciences into Two New Academic

Departments

On April 25, 2008 there was a positive vote of the faculty of the Department of Health, Nutrition and Exercise Sciences (HNES) to approve the division of the existing department into two, new academic departments. This decision was supported by a vote of the College of Health Sciences faculty on September 16, 2008 and was approved by Dean Betty Paulanka and Provost Dan Rich. Subsequently, Dean Paulanka put this proposal on hold because of uncertainties of the implications of the department separation associated with moving into the new RBB budgeting system. **Dean Kathy Matt and Provost Tom Apple have now given approval to reinitiate this proposal to reorganize the department into two, new academic departments. The faculty in the Department of Health, Nutrition, and Exercise Sciences voted again to reaffirm their support for dividing the existing department into two, new academic departments on November 20, 2009.** Faculty working in programs currently housed on North campus, including Health Behavior Science/Health Promotion, Health and Physical Education, and Nutrition will form one new department, and faculty working in programs housed on South campus, including Athletic Training and Exercise Science will form the other new department. There is a separate proposal currently submitted for moving the department's program in Sport Management to the Lerner College of Business and Economics. This document provides background, rationale, and a plan for implementation for the proposal.

Background:

The department of HNES has grown dramatically over the past 11 years since joining what is now the College of Health Sciences. The current department structure consists of six separate program areas, including Athletic Training, Exercise Science, Health Behavior Science/Health Promotion, Health and Physical Education, Nutrition, and Sport Management. Within these program areas, there are 8 undergraduate majors, 5 undergraduate minors, 3 master's programs, participation in an interdisciplinary Ph.D. program, a dietetic internship program and a proposed new Ph.D. program. **It is important to note that the curricula for these six program areas are discrete**, with very few courses required by majors from more than one program area.

At other institutions across the country, these programs are organized within many different departmental structures. **However, we are not aware of any other university in the country that places all of these program areas within a single academic department.** In fact, at some very reputable institutions, there are entire colleges that include some, but not all of these programs and with not many more faculty than our department here at UD.

Tables A & B show current (fall 09) undergraduate and graduate student enrollments within the department by major. Exercise Science and Athletic Training, the South campus programs, have 47% of all undergraduate students and 39% of all graduate students in the department. Conversely, the combined North campus programs, Health Behavior Science/Health Promotion, Health and Physical Education, Nutrition, and Sport Management, have 53% of all undergraduate students and 61% of all graduate students.

Table A. HNES Undergraduate Enrollments*

HNES Undergraduate Majors	F09 Enrollment	%
Athletic Training	101	8
Exercise Science	469	39
Health Behavior Science	130	11
Health & Physical Education	76	6
Sport Management	165	14
Applied Nutrition	51	4
Dietetics	174	15
Nutritional Science	30	3
Total	1196	

*The HESC enrollment counts include freshman interest group students.

Table B. HNES Graduate Enrollments

HNES Graduate Programs	F09 Enrollment	%

M.S. in Exercise Science & Ph.D. in BMSC	27	23
Ph.D. in BMSC (EXSC advised students)	17	14
Ph.D. in Biology (EXSC advised students)	2	2
M.S. in Health Promotion	16	13
M.S. in Human Nutrition	18	15
Dietetic Internship Program	40	33
Total	120	

Rationale:

With the growth of the department and the large number of disparate programs housed within it, it was thought that **the department is too broad to function effectively as a single, cohesive academic unit**. Combining Athletic Training and Exercise Science makes sense because 1) these programs are combined at the graduate level, and 2) these faculty and graduate students are housed in the Human Performance Lab, which is physically separate from the rest of the department and located on South campus. Combining the remaining programs makes sense because 1) there are past, existing, and potential collaborative linkages among faculty across these program areas, and 2) these faculty and graduate students are physically housed on North campus.

The smaller size and increased homogeneity of the two new departments will be advantageous for both students and faculty. There will be a concomitant increase in the visibility of the academic programs within each unit, with positive implications for attracting student majors, as well as recruiting faculty. The new, more homogeneous faculty groups will also be more focused for purposes of strategic planning and developing new curricula. This will translate to an enhanced ability to offer high-quality academic programs for students. Implementation of the smaller, more homogeneous departments will also translate to improved academic advisement for students, with faculty only advising students in the program areas in which the faculty are teaching, (which is not always currently the case.) We also anticipate increased opportunities for informal social interactions between faculty and students, which will improve students' sense of belonging to their home academic department.

Proposal and Plan for Implementation:

We propose that effective July 1, 2010 the Department of Health, Nutrition and Exercise Sciences be separated into two new academic departments, with one encompassing the South campus programs, including faculty and programs in Exercise Science and Athletic Training, and the other encompassing the North campus programs, including faculty and programs in Health Behavior Science/Health Promotion, Health and Physical Education, and Nutrition and Dietetics. There is already a physical separation of these faculty groups, with one group housed in the Human Performance Lab on South campus and the other group housed on North campus in Carpenter Sports Building and Willard Hall.

There is currently a separate proposal to relocate the Sport Management program to the Lerner College of Business and Economics. That proposal is separate from this one, and so while it is noted, the Sport Management faculty and students, still within the Department of Health, Nutrition, and Exercise Sciences for the 09-10 academic year, are listed as being affiliated with the North campus department.

The new department names selected by faculty are Behavioral Health and Nutrition (North campus) and Kinesiology and Applied Physiology (South campus.) The Behavioral Health and Nutrition department will include 22 of the current faculty and the Applied Physiology and Kinesiology department will include 19 of the current faculty.

All faculty holding full or part-time appointments in the department have chosen the new department affiliation they wish to hold. These are listed below.

Behavioral Health and Nutrition

Full-time Faculty (21)

Leta Aljadir

Carolyn Manning

Other Faculty (1)

Avron Abraham (20% in

Sandy Baker	Iva Obrusnikova	department)
Jan Bibik	Beth Orsega-Smith	
Nancy Cotugna	Mike Peterson	
Tim DeSchrive*	Matt Robinson*	
Karen Edwards	Ann Rucinski	
Richard Fang	John Schuster	
Steve Goodwin	Kristin Scrabis-Fletcher	
Edgar Johnson*	Kelebogile Setiloane	
Marie Kuczumarski	Roger Spacht	
Shannon Lennon-Edwards		

*The three sport management faculty may be moving to the Lerner College of Business and Economics effective July 2010.

Kinesiology and Applied Physiology

Full-time Faculty (19)

Dave Barlow	Chris Knight
Dena Deglau	Chris Modlesky
Dave Edwards	Shelley Provost-Craig
Bill Farquhar	Jim Richards
Nancy Getchell	Bill Rose
Susan Hall	Todd Royer
Keith Handling	Jeff Schneider
Slobodan Jaric	Steven Stanhope
Tom Kaminski	Buz Swanik
Tom Kepple	

Department Chairs

Hall has served as chair of the Department of Health, Nutrition and Exercise Sciences for the past 10 years. She is currently undergoing a five-year review. Pending the outcome of the review, she is willing to continue to serve as chair of Kinesiology and Applied Physiology should Dean Kathy Matt wish to appoint her and with a positive vote of the South campus faculty.

The college will conduct a national search for a new department chair for the Behavioral Health and Nutrition during 2010-2011 academic year. It is hoped that a new chair will be chosen who will begin July 2011 for this department. Effective July 1, 2010 an Interim Chair will be chosen from the faculty.

Division of Academic Programs

There are no curriculum changes associated with this proposal for the division of the existing department into two new ones. The existing academic majors, minors, and graduate programs will be divided as shown below.

Existing Academic Programs to be Housed in Behavioral Health and Nutrition:

<u>Undergraduate Majors</u>	<u>Minors</u>	<u>Graduate Programs</u>
Applied Nutrition	Coaching Science	Health Promotion
Dietetics	Nutrition	Human Nutrition
Nutritional Sciences	Public Health *	Dietetic Internship
Health Behavior Science		
Health and Physical Education		
Sport Management		

*currently proposed

Existing Academic Programs to be Housed in Kinesiology and Applied Physiology:

<u>Undergraduate Majors</u>	<u>Minors</u>	<u>Graduate Programs</u>

Athletic Training
Exercise Science

Strength and Conditioning
Exercise Science
Figure Skating Coaching

Exercise Science
Applied Physiology*

*currently proposed

Faculty Senate Resolution

The resolution for Faculty Senate approval of this proposal is listed below.

- Whereas, the Department of Health, Nutrition, and Exercise Sciences has grown dramatically over the past 10 years, with undergraduate enrollment currently at approximately 1200 undergraduates and 120 graduate students, and
- Whereas, the Department includes eight undergraduate majors, five minors, and three graduate programs, with an additional graduate program and an additional minor currently proposed, and
- Whereas, faculty and administrators within the College of Health Sciences agree that the Department has become too broad to function effectively as a single academic unit, and
- Whereas, Department and College faculty have voted to approve the division of the existing department into two new academic departments, and
- Whereas, the new academic departments will be more strategically focused and more visible, and thus better able to recruit outstanding students and to provide a high-quality education for students, and
- Whereas, the proposed new academic units are already physically separated on North and South campuses, and
- Whereas, faculty in the new department units have agreed upon new department names, be it therefore

Resolved, that the Faculty Senate recommends that the Department of Health, Nutrition, and Exercise Sciences be reformulated as two new departments, to be called the Department of Behavioral Health and Nutrition and the Department of Kinesiology and Applied Physiology.

Program Requirements:

(Show the new or revised curriculum as it should appear in the Course Catalog. If this is a revision, be sure to indicate the changes being made to the current curriculum and **include a side-by-side comparison** of the credit distribution before and after the proposed change.)

No associated curriculum change is proposed.

ROUTING AND AUTHORIZATION: (Please do not remove supporting documentation.)

Department Chairperson _____ Date 1/21/10

Dean of College _____ Date _____

Chairperson, College Curriculum Committee _____ Date _____

Chairperson, Senate Com. on UG or GR Studies _____ Date _____

Chairperson, Senate Coordinating Com. _____ Date _____

Secretary, Faculty Senate _____ Date _____

Date of Senate Resolution _____ Date to be Effective _____

Registrar _____ Program Code _____ Date _____

Vice Provost for Academic Programs & Planning _____ Date _____

Provost _____ Date _____

Board of Trustee Notification _____ Date _____

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