MEMORANDUM

TO: Dr. Mark A. Hussey, Interim President
FROM: Jim Woosley, Speaker
SUBJECT: Undergraduate Curriculum Committee (FS.32.149)

The Faculty Senate submits for your approval the item from the Undergraduate Curriculum Committee at its regular meeting on December 8, 2014. Attached is a copy of the material sent to our Senators.

Change in Curriculum
College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences
International Certificate in Cultural Competency & Communications in Spanish

cc: Karan Watson
    Christine Stanley
    Michael Benedik
    Sandra Williams
    Eleanor Green

FACULTY SENATE AGENDA ITEM REVIEW
This item has been reviewed by the Office of the Provost (OP). Below are recommended action(s): RE:

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Approved:  Reviewed:    
Mark A. Hussey  2/3/15

Mark A. Hussey  Date
59. Change in Curriculum

College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences
   International Certificate in Cultural Competency & Communications in Spanish
CHANGE IN CURRICULA
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COLLEGE OF VETERINARY MEDICINE AND BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES

INTERNATIONAL CERTIFICATE IN CULTURAL COMPETENCY & COMMUNICATIONS IN SPANISH
Texas A&M University
Request for a Change in Curriculum
Undergraduate • Graduate • Professional

1. Program request type:
   - Undergraduate
   - Graduate
   - First Professional (e.g., DVM, JD, MD, etc.)

2. Request change for:
   - Degree Program
   - Minor
   - Certificate

3. Request submitted by (Department or Program Name):
   - Biomedical Sciences Program

4. Program Designation and Name:
   - International Certificate in Cultural Competency & Communications

5. Brief description of change:
The area studies hours have changed from 6 to 3. The Capstone course has changed to a Capstone experience requiring 1. "a medical communications course", 2. a 485 experience, 3. Study Abroad, as approved on the TAMU website. Total number of hours prior to the change: 17. Total number of hours after the change: Minimum 16 hours.

6. Rationale for change:
The previous version, the capstone medical communications course could only be satisfied by a course that is offered during a study abroad. Alternatives exist and therefore this change reflects the presence of alternatives. Further, combined with a study abroad, students complete a capstone experience, rather than a single course. A 2 hour 485 experience is replacing 3 hours of area studies. This experience is a specific section of 485 that requires significant shadowing in the biomedical environment while using the Spanish language and cultural skills learned during the certification process.

*The full name is International Certificate in Cultural Competency & Communications in Spanish

Use the checkboxes below to make sure that all information is included.

7. a. Proposed curriculum attached.
   - Yes
   - No

b. Current catalog curriculum with handwritten edits attached.
   - Yes
   - No

c. Current Howdy degree evaluation with handwritten edits attached.
   - Yes
   - No

Please make sure the attached proposed curriculum, catalog and Howdy degree evaluation match.

8. a. Will degree program hours change (increase/decrease) due to the proposed curriculum changes?
   - Yes
   - No

b. If yes, degree program hours will change from: _________ to: _________

c. If yes, is the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board form attached?
   - Yes
   - No

   http://www.thecb.state.tx.us/index.cfm?objectid=A0F9F7FA-9A92-4F11-2756AD3BBFF01D60

9. If proposed changes affect other unit(s), are letters of support attached?
   - Yes
   - No

IMPORTANT NOTE: Curriculum changes submitted through the approval process and fully approved by February (December-UCC/GC, January-Faculty Senate, February-President) will be effective in the next academic year. Changes requiring approval beyond the University should complete the internal approval process early in the fall semester whenever possible in order to ensure timely implementation.

Approval recommended by:

Elizabeth Crouch
Department Head or Program Chair (Type Name & Sign) 10/1/14

Eleanor Green
Dean of College 10/7/14

Jim Herman
Chair, College Review Committee 10/1/14

Chair, GC or UCC 10/13/14

Questions regarding this form should be directed to Curricular Services at 845-8201 or sandra.williamson@tamu.edu

Curricular Services – 04/14
In satisfying the required 24 hours of BIMS directed electives and five electives, all 385/485 courses may not exceed 6 credit hours and all 285/385 courses may not exceed 3 credit hours. A 285/385 course used as a free elective may not exceed 3 hours. A 291/491 course may not exceed 3 hours credit.

NOTES: 1. Must be chosen in consultation with BIMS academic advisor.
2. Check with your BIMS academic advisor to take the correct required writing course.

* BIMS directed electives: Courses that constitute the major are those offered by the College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences and those approved for biomedical science electives. A student may choose 24 semester credits from the following list of courses: BIMS 285, BIMS 405, BIMS 413, BIMS 431, BIMS 441, BIMS 485, BIMS 541, VTPB 140, VTPB 150, VTPB 220, VTPB 240, VTPB 401, VTPB 410, VTPB 413, VTPB 541, VTPB 584, VTPB 585, VTPB 640, VTPB 650, VTPB 740, VTPB 750, VTPB 800, VTPB 801, VTPB 810, VTPB 820, VTPB 830, VTPB 840, VTPB 850, VTPB 860, VTPB 870, VTPB 880, VTPB 890, VTPB 900, VTPB 910, VTPB 920, VTPB 930, VTPB 940, VTPB 950, VTPB 960, VTPB 970, VTPB 980, VTPB 990, VTPB 995, VTPB 999. Additional CMV courses: 485 Honors section and 486 (Directed Studies). A complete list of all BIMS directed electives may be obtained from the BIMS advisor.

International Certificate in Cultural Competency and Communications in Spanish

Students who complete this certificate will be functionally bilingual and able to perform linguistically in a culturally sensitive manner within the biomedical environment. A required study abroad will allow students to gain experiential knowledge, expanding their cultural sensitivities and functionality in a foreign environment. Because of limited resources, the program will have a cap on the number of students admitted. All courses in the program must be completed with a grade of C or better. The certificate will be awarded upon completion of a BS degree in Biomedical Sciences. To earn the certificate, students are required to complete:

1. A minimum of 9 hours of Spanish credit to include:
   - SPAN 201
   - SPAN 202
   - SPAN 300/SPAN 400 (level course of the student's choice (prerequisites apply))

2. A minimum of 6 credit hours of area studies from an approved course list.

3. A capstone course: VTPB 393 for 2 hours.

4. An International Experience approved by the Biomedical Sciences Program.

5. SPAN 221 and SPAN 222 are acceptable when taken abroad, for SPAN 201 and SPAN 202.

   a. The certificate was designed with the student's required Texas A&M Core Curriculum in mind. Many of the courses on the approved list will count as a language, philosophy and culture, creative art, or social and behavioral sciences. It is up to the student to compare the list and to work with their academic advisor to choose courses appropriate to their degree plan. (See page 17).
   b. It is recommended that you enroll in this course after the completion of at least SPAN 201 or equivalent.
   c. This course is a specific section of 485 that requires shadowing in the biomedical environment while using the Spanish language.
   d. For course options, see academic advisor.
Dear Brandi: Please proceed as planned. The changes in the certificate requirements are so much better and clearer now.

Respectfully,

Rosalinda

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Cc: Elizabeth Crouch <ECrouch@cvm.tamu.edu>
Subject: Request for a Change in Curriculum (Spanish Certificate)

Howdy,

Attached is a Request for a Change in Curriculum for the International Certificate in Cultural Competency and Communications. If you could, please attach a letter of support by Thursday 10/9.

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