Substantive Administrative Change Request

Change the names of:
- College of Veterinary Medicine
- Department of Veterinary Anatomy and Public Health
- Department of Veterinary Large Animal Medicine and Surgery
- Department of Veterinary Small Animal Medicine and Surgery

Change undergraduate, professional and graduate course prefixes
TO: Robert Knight  
University Curriculum Committee

FROM: H. Richard Adams  
Dean

SUBJECT: Proposed Name Changes for the College of Veterinary Medicine and its Academic Departments

On behalf of the College of Veterinary Medicine, I request your approval of the following name changes:

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John R. Giardino  
December 12, 2003  
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3. The name of the Department of Veterinary Large Animal Medicine & Surgery be changed to the Department of **Veterinary Large Animal Clinical Sciences**.

4. The name of the Department of Veterinary Pathobiology **shall remain unchanged**.

5. The name of the Department of Veterinary Physiology & Pharmacology **shall remain unchanged**.

6. The name of the Department of Veterinary Small Animal Medicine & Surgery be changed to the Department of **Veterinary Small Animal Clinical Sciences**.

The proposed name changes were unanimously approved by the College of Veterinary Medicine Executive Committee (October 1, 2002), the College of Veterinary Medicine Curriculum Committee (October 8, 2002), and the College of Veterinary Medicine Faculty Senate Caucus (October 11, 2002). The proposed name changes were approved by a majority vote (79 for, 22 against) by a vote of all CVM faculty eligible for election to the Faculty Senate. The vote was conducted by the CVM Faculty Senate Caucus on November 5, 2002. The College of Veterinary Medicine respectfully requests your approval of this name change proposal.
MEMORANDUM

TO: Dr. David B. Prior
Executive Vice President and Provost

SUBJECT: Proposal for a Name Change for the College of Veterinary Medicine and Three Departments Within the College

As indicated in my memo of last week Dr. Richard Adams has sent forward to you a proposal to change the name of the College of Veterinary Medicine to the College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences. Also three department name changes are being requested. If you endorse the concept for the College name change and the three departments I will continue to work with the College to get the proposal through the appropriate administrative internal channels.

Even though I will not be here to see these administrative changes approved by the Regents and the Coordinating Board, my replacement can assist the College with the final steps in the approval process.

Please return the attached proposal to me once you have made a decision about endorsement of the concept.

Jeanette Phariss
Assistant Provost

Attachment
cc: Dr. William L. Perry
    Ms. Nancy Sawtelle
Dr. David Prior  
Executive Vice President and Provost  
Texas A&M University  
College Station, Texas 77843

Dear Dr. Prior:

The College of Veterinary Medicine is the only Texas A&M University college that is focused on Biomedical Sciences, thus establishing a unique set of educational missions for this college that extends far beyond our cornerstone of educating veterinarians through the professional DVM curriculum. This college teaches and administers Texas A&M University’s unique 2,000-student baccalaureate degree program in Biomedical Sciences, and also mentors a 160-student graduate program leading to MS and PhD degrees in various biomedical science disciplines. Moreover, our faculty oversees a research enterprise in various facets of biomedical sciences, generating over $20 million per year in research support. The College of Veterinary Medicine therefore feels an obligation to modify the name of this college and three of its departments to accurately reflect its breadth of educational and research missions in Biomedical Sciences. In addition, outdated departmental nomenclatures that have fallen into disuse in most US veterinary colleges, such as anatomy and public health, will be replaced by terms that indicate the contemporary breadth and depth of our departments and college.

Herein, (1) the name of the College of Veterinary Medicine is proposed to be changed to the College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences. (2) The name of the Department of Veterinary Anatomy and Public Health be changed to the Department of Veterinary Integrative Biosciences. (3) The name of the Department of Small Animal Medicine and Surgery be changed to the Department of Small Animal Clinical Sciences. (4) The name of the Department of Large Animal Medicine and Surgery be changed to the Department of Large Animal Clinical Sciences.

These new names will clearly and accurately convey the message that, in addition to educating future veterinarians, the “College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences” is committed to educating future biomedical scientists at both the graduate and undergraduate levels. These name changes will also convey to potential graduate students and faculty alike that the “College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences” has a strong programmatic commitment and academic presence in biomedical research, and will therefore enhance their student experience and professional careers. Based on our previous experiences, our ability to recruit high-quality biomedical science faculty will be markedly enhanced by the name changes and the breadth of academic programs they signify.
We respectfully request your endorsement of the proposed name changes that are justified in detail in the attached document. The document also contains letters of enthusiastic support from the Texas A&M University Colleges of Agriculture and Life Sciences, Education, Liberal Arts, and Science, as well as letters from Interdisciplinary Faculties/Departments of Genetics, Toxicology, Biotechnology, Reproductive Biology, Biochemistry and Biophysics, Animal Science, and Biology.

Sincerely,

H. Richard Adams, DVM, PhD
Carl B. King Dean of Veterinary Medicine

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Attachment
SUBSTANTIVE ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGE REQUEST

NAME OF INSTITUTION: Texas A&M University

CHANGE REQUEST: (a) change the names of: the College of Veterinary Medicine to the College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences; the Department of Veterinary Anatomy and Public Health to the Department of Veterinary Integrative Biosciences; the Department of Veterinary Large Animal Medicine and Surgery to the Department of Veterinary Large Animal Clinical Sciences; the Department of Veterinary Small Animal Medicine and Surgery to Department of Veterinary Small Animal Clinical Sciences; (b) to change undergraduate, professional, and graduate course prefixes to reflect the name changes of the departments.

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College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences (CVM)
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Proposed date for implementation of administrative change Spring 2004

Person(s) to be contacted for further information about administrative change(s):

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Signatures:

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Campus Chief Executive Officer  Date

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System Chief Executive Officer  Date
(As appropriate)

Governing Board approval date: ________________________
PROPOSED ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGE:

CHANGE THE NAME OF

THE COLLEGE OF VETERINARY MEDICINE (CVM)
TO
THE COLLEGE OF VETERINARY MEDICINE AND BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES (CVM)

AT
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

I. Change requested
   A. Change the name of the College of Veterinary Medicine to the College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences, at Texas A&M University, as shown in line 1 of the table below.

   B. No change in administrative load is expected. We anticipate strengthening all of our graduate, professional, and undergraduate programs in basic biomedical sciences and clinical sciences, as well as our undergraduate degree program in Biomedical Science.

   We currently have approximately 170 tenured/tenure-track faculty and a total of 30 instructional personnel (e.g., clinical faculty, and lecturers). In FY 02, we attracted over $20 million in external funding for biomedical research, exemplifying the breadth of college missions beyond veterinary medicine alone. Faculty published about 807 refereed and non-refereed publications in FY '01-'02.

   Our Fall 2002 student population was 2,545. This included 1,902 undergraduates, 141 graduate students, and 502 professional (DVM) students.

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II. Reason for Request

We request to add "and Biomedical Sciences" to our masthead in recognition of the importance of basic biomedical sciences as the foundation of veterinary medical knowledge, its importance to the practice of veterinary medicine, and our obligation as a modern veterinary medical college at a Research I University to continuously contribute to that body of knowledge. This new name will clearly convey the message that, in addition to training future veterinarians, the college is committed to educating future biomedical scientists at both the graduate and undergraduate levels. The college name change will also convey to potential graduate students and faculty that this college has a strong presence in biomedical research, and will therefore enhance their student experience and academic careers.

The College of Veterinary Medicine (CVM), established in 1916, has continued to grow and evolve especially over the past 30 years to teach and administer educational programs in veterinary medicine and also in the biomedical sciences. The college now offers studies leading to the Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degree (DVM), a bachelor of science (BS) degree in Biomedical Science, and graduate degrees in 10 fields of the biomedical sciences. PhD degrees are awarded in Veterinary Anatomy, Veterinary Microbiology, Veterinary Pathology, and Veterinary Physiology. MS degrees are offered in these four areas, as well as in Laboratory Animal Medicine, Epidemiology, Veterinary Public Health, Veterinary Medicine and Surgery, Veterinary Parasitology, and Veterinary Medical Sciences. The college has recently added dual-degree programs for the DVM/PhD and the DVM/MBA. CVM faculty also are active members of degree-granting interdisciplinary faculties and serve, for example, as major professors for graduate students in Toxicology and Genetics. Furthermore, the breadth of the college’s academic responsibilities encompasses a unique set of educational and research missions that extend beyond that of any other U.S. veterinary medical college and includes a two thousand student undergraduate program in Biomedical Sciences.

The three parallel educational programs of the CVM (professional, graduate, and undergraduate) interface and bridge at several points that increase their educational and training value to students. For example, the undergraduate Biomedical Science program is an important bridge for students entering professional schools in the health sciences, as well as graduate schools in biomedical sciences. The combined DVM/PhD program is another important training experience focused on developing a pool of academic veterinarians.

The addition of "Biomedical Sciences" to the college name more accurately reflects the breadth and the depth of academic responsibilities of our faculty, and reflects appropriate nomenclature for the college component of our current overarching designation as the "Texas Veterinary Medical Center." In adding "Biomedical Sciences" to our name, we would be only the second college of veterinary medicine in the United States to do so. The "College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences" at Colorado State University is the only other veterinary college with a significant undergraduate mission. Since adding "Biomedical Sciences" to its name, the CSU veterinary college has improved its capability to recruit highly qualified basic science faculty. Indeed, because of their addition of more nationally-competitive faculty, the CSU "College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences" now has the largest extramural research support of all 31 veterinary colleges in North America. Adding "Biomedical Sciences" to our college name will no doubt similarly increase our capability to attract a more diverse and more competitive faculty. Our
teaching, service, and research missions will all be enhanced as a result.

Most schools of human medicine have incorporated the name “Biomedical Sciences” into their nomenclature, but in a totally different format than we propose. Texas medical schools have created “Graduate Schools of Biomedical Sciences” within their Health Science Centers. In distinction, our proposed nomenclature will recognize the undergraduate Biomedical Science program, a program that makes the College of Veterinary Medicine at Texas A&M University unique among both veterinary and numerous medical schools.

III. Role and Scope

The proposed college name change would not alter the role and scope of the institution, but would more accurately represent the breadth and current programs of this college’s academic mission in Texas and beyond. In brief, our mission statement is as follows: We, the faculty and staff of the College of Veterinary Medicine, are a community of scholars committed to:

*Caring about animals and people; curing and preventing animal disease; creating new knowledge, new therapies, and new learning opportunities; and communicating with students, veterinarians, scientists, and the public.*

The above statement implicitly conveys our essential missions in research, teaching and service as a land grant institution. These missions, stated in more detail, are as follows:

**Research Mission.** The research mission of the CVM is to *create and disseminate new biomedical knowledge, new therapies, and new learning opportunities through scholarly and scientific investigation that benefits animals and humans alike.*

**Teaching Mission.** The mission of the CVM in teaching is to *produce graduates from the professional, graduate, and undergraduate programs who are knowledgeable, mentally flexible, lifelong learners, who are assets to their professions and society, and who are well-prepared to help solve health and science problems of the 21st century.*

**Service Mission.** The service mission of the CVM is twofold, patient care and public service, reflecting its role as a professional school. The mission in patient care is to *develop, support, and promote the art and science of veterinary medicine through the provision of high quality, comprehensive patient care and consultation in a fiscally responsible manner.* The mission in public service is to *optimize working relationships between the CVM and its constituencies, which are the people and organizations served by the CVM, to enhance the image of the CVM and provide a sense of shared purpose.*

Though the proposed name change would not alter these missions, it would better communicate them to the constituencies of the college and university and to prospective students and faculty than does the current name. Veterinary medicine is in a constant state of change as it adapts to the needs of a changing society and as it is enhanced by the emerging technologies of science and medicine. The role of the profession in modern society is being extended. Veterinary medicine is critical in livestock production, food hygiene, human and animal disease control and eradication,
public health, laboratory animal medicine, and even in the space program and international cooperation. Small or companion animal medicine comprises a larger than ever proportion of veterinary practice. Likewise, exotic animal medicine and zoological medicine claim an increasing segment of the veterinary professional staff. On the horizon are a variety of activities and fields in which veterinary medicine has begun to assume new and significant roles. These new areas include mental health, biomedical research, environmental health issues, wildlife resources and wildlife biology, which increasingly require the expertise of veterinary medical doctors and technologists. Many of our current students and newest graduates will specialize in food science, public health, pathology, epidemiology, toxicology, biochemistry, microbiology, animal and poultry science and bioengineering under the general mantle of veterinary medicine.

This proposed name change is an outward reflection of the CVM’s strategic plan for academic excellence. The college is engaged in a clear, highly focused, and faculty-driven effort to dynamically move the college forward to specific points of advancement and also to compete effectively with the nation’s other top universities. The plan is implemented through strategic investments of resources and new faculty positions into our “Signature Programs.” The expected outcomes of the strategic plan will be enhanced quality of the faculty, improved medical and surgical treatments for patients, stronger graduate programs, continued progress in attracting faculty and students that reflect cultural and ethnic diversity, and increased federal research funding. Our goal is to move up from being the fourth or fifth ranked veterinary college in the United States to being the first or second. Name recognition of the college’s activities in biomedical sciences will contribute to this goal. A summary of college strategies to improve its capabilities and reputation in the biomedical sciences follows.

The quality of the faculty will be addressed through careful hiring of highly qualified academicians who interact with one or more college signature programs. By hiring individuals into pre-existing academic programs comprising scientists with complementary scientific interests, faculty have ready-made opportunity to join successful teams of teachers and investigators. This approach reinforces academic strengths in our clinical, teaching, and research programs, and it will be utilized as a central mechanism to strengthen faculty and capitalize scholarly growth through building of critical mass.

Graduate programs will be enhanced through increased focus of resources into our successful MS and PhD plans, with particular emphasis on student recruitment. This college has implemented a DVM/PhD program that will center its efforts on training of future faculty with both veterinary clinical qualifications as well as credentials for becoming independent biomedical science investigators. Because individuals who have already earned their DVM (or MD, etc.) qualify for individual NIH postdoctoral fellowships, we will expect such students to apply for same. Such NIH stipends exceed $25,000, thus helping us achieve another goal of enhancing graduate student salaries. We project that the success of signature programs will attract an ever increasing pool of highly qualified graduate students. College faculty currently mentor about 180 MS and PhD students in several disciplines important to veterinary medicine and basic biomedical sciences. The total graduate and research programs of the college are funded by approximately $20 million per year garnered by faculty from federal agencies, foundations, and other extramural sources. We expect the attractiveness and visibility of our graduate programs to increase with the addition of “Biomedical Sciences” to our college name.
The college contributes significantly to the university’s undergraduate experience through the Biomedical Science program. Unlike other veterinary medical colleges in the United States, our college is the only one to also have administrative responsibility for (and teach) a Biomedical Science (BIMS) baccalaureate program. This is the largest undergraduate degree plan in Texas, with over 2,000 students. The program is highly important to the diversity goals for higher education in Texas; over 21% of our BIMS students are ethnic minorities. Our follow-through records indicate that this program provides almost 15% of the successful medical and dental school applicants to Texas Health Science Centers, representing a significant minority and female applicant pool for Texas medical and dental schools. We will continue to invest considerable resources and faculty FTE into the BIMS program, ensuring the state and nation a source of highly qualified graduates qualified to enter virtually all phases of the vast health science industry. This program deserves recognition in the name of the college.

The overarching objective of the College of Veterinary Medicine (CVM) is to graduate the highest quality, entry-level, general practitioner achievable through four years of professional veterinary medical education built upon three or more additional years of undergraduate preparation. This will remain our purpose, and it will not be diluted through the proposed name change. The teaching hospital receives all domestic species and various wildlife and exotic species, with an annual caseload of almost 18,000 patients. Faculty-supervised care of patients by our students generates almost $8 million per year in clinical income, which is reinvested into the clinical teaching program of the college. We expect that through the public visibility gained by the addition of “Biomedical Sciences” to the college name, all programs in the college will be strengthened.

The proposed name of the college does not conflict with the name of any existing program or college at Texas A&M University or the state of Texas. The name change more accurately reflects the current role and scope of the college. Letters of concurrence with the proposed name change have been received from the following colleges, departments, and programs in life sciences at Texas A&M University, and are on file in the Office of the Dean in the College of Veterinary Medicine:

- College of Agriculture and Life Sciences
  - Department of Biochemistry and Biophysics
  - Department of Animal Science
- College of Education and Human Development
- College of Liberal Arts
- College of Science
  - Department of Biology
  - Faculty of Biotechnology
  - Faculty of Reproductive Biology
  - Faculty of Toxicology

IV. Accreditation

The name change would not affect any operational aspects or accreditations or reaccreditation of the “College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences” or Texas A&M University. There would be no changes in classes, distribution of personnel, availability of facilities or availability of equipment. Our current accreditation would be amended to reflect the proposed name. We are
accredited by the American Veterinary Medical Association at their maximum number of years (7) through 2009 and would not incur additional costs or requirements necessary for accreditation.

V. Additional Proposals
Additional proposals for name changes for three departments in the College of Veterinary Medicine are attached.

VI. Resources
A. No increases in personnel are anticipated due to the name change.
B. No increases in salaries due to the name change are anticipated.
C. We are pursuing some expansion to our course inventory, but these expansions will be pursued irrespective of our name.
D. No changes in facilities would be required due to the name change.
E. No new equipment would be required as a result of the name change.

VII. Costs
No savings would be realized as a result of this name change. Minor costs incurred would be limited to those associated with changing the name. For example, letterheads and business cards would be replaced with the new name, but only as new orders are necessary.

Signage with the college name would need to be changed. The estimated cost associated with the signage changes is $20,000-$22,000. We anticipate the University would change the name only as regular updates to brochures, campus maps, etc., are needed.
SUBSTANTIVE ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGE REQUEST
(First of three departmental requests)

NAME OF INSTITUTION: Texas A&M University

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Department of Veterinary Integrative Biosciences (VIBS)  

Proposed date for implementation of administrative change ___Spring 2004___

Person(s) to be contacted for further information about administrative change(s):

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Governing Board approval date: ___________________________
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CHANGE THE NAME OF

THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERINARY ANATOMY AND PUBLIC HEALTH (VAPH)
TO
THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERINARY INTEGRATIVE BIOSCIENCES (VIBS)

AT
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

I. Change Request

A Change the name of the Department of Veterinary Anatomy and Public Health (VAPH) to the Department of Veterinary Integrative Biosciences (VIBS) at Texas A&M University, as shown in line 2 of the table below.

B No change in administrative load is expected.

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II. Rationale

The proposed name change is needed to update the identity of this department in a manner consistent with other veterinary anatomy and veterinary public health departments nationwide, to accurately reflect our modern research and teaching focuses, and to accurately reflect the training received by our graduate students. The current departmental name no longer encompasses the wide range of research and teaching carried out by members of the department. In 2001, an external review of VAPH doctoral program was undertaken under the auspices of the TAMU Office of Graduate Studies. Members of the external review committee strongly recommended that VAPH consider a
name change to more accurately reflect the department’s actual academic mission and programs. This recommendation was the impetus for study and discussion within the department for the proposed name change.

**Disciplinary focuses.** This department was originally two separate departments: Veterinary Anatomy, created in 1916, and Veterinary Public Health, created in 1957. These names were accurate descriptors for the direction and purpose of the departments for many years. In 1991 the two departments were combined into one department with an obvious diversity in interests; the name was modified to reflect this combination of interests. For the past 30 years in the US, veterinary and medical departments in which anatomy is taught have diversified to include disciplines and research expertise of contemporary anatomists. Most departments have dropped the outdated term “anatomy” from their titles (Table 1). Classical anatomy is an important teaching discipline but no longer a major research discipline. Studies of biological structure now take place at the cellular and molecular levels, which is an expansion of classical anatomy of tissues and organisms. The disciplines currently represented in VAPH exemplify this change, and include the structure-based components of several modern disciplines: cell biology, reproductive biology, neuroscience, genomics, and cellular and molecular aspects of toxicology. In like manner, the discipline of Veterinary Public Health has evolved to include a broad range of interdisciplinary research and teaching activities in epidemiology, including environmental disease, genetic susceptibility and resistance, population and herd health, zoonotic diseases, and the human-animal bond. Most colleges of veterinary medicine in the United States have dropped the term “public health” and its synonyms from their departmental names as shown in the following table.

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Most of the faculty in VAPH are members of interdisciplinary programs, including the Faculties of Toxicology, Food Safety, Neuroscience, Reproductive Biology and Genetics; the Center for Environmental and Rural Health; and the Superfund Basic Research Program. In addition, Core Research Facilities for the university, including the Image Analysis Laboratory, the Epidemiology/Biostatistic Core, the Veterinary Medical Park and the Information Management Group, as well as the plastination laboratory and the histology service laboratory, are directed or co-directed by members of the VAPH faculty. The present departmental name obviously does not reflect this wide range of essential activities.

The current departmental name also does not reflect the classes required by the degree plans completed by our graduate students. Very few graduate students in veterinary anatomy take the traditional gross or microscopic anatomy courses (i.e., cadaver dissection and microscopic examination of cells and tissues), yet they still have a graduate degree in veterinary anatomy. The proposed name would better reflect the spectrum of courses on their degree plans.

**Choice of the new name.** The factors influencing the selection of the new name and its anticipated benefits are summarized below:
- The proposed name change would follow the trend of anatomy and public health/epidemiology departments in other colleges of veterinary medicine. A survey of the departmental listings of twenty-seven colleges of veterinary medicine in the United States shows that anatomy is taught in nine departments that include “Biomedical” in their name, five departments that include “Bioscience” or “Biology” in their name, and only four departments that include “Anatomy.”

- The name “Veterinary Integrative Biosciences” adequately reflects all of the research and teaching focuses of the department. It recognizes: a) our base in a college of veterinary medicine, b) our collective emphasis on cellular, molecular and morphological research, and c) our focus on population- and community-based studies as a vital aspect of medicine.

- A major advantage of the proposed name change is that it would allow growth and development of the graduate and research programs. Prospective students in our areas of strength are unlikely to associate these fields with a Department of Veterinary Anatomy and Public Health.

III. Role and Scope

The requested name change does not require any changes in the departmental missions, but rather reflects changes that have already taken place in departmental composition and academic direction. The primary purpose of this name change is to reflect the diversity of research and teaching that is being done by members of the faculty and thus appeal to a wider range of prospective graduate students and research scientists.

The proposed name of the department does not conflict with the name of any existing college, department, or program or at Texas A&M University. The name change simply reflects the current role and scope of the department. Letters of concurrence with the proposed name change have been received from the following colleges, departments, and programs in life sciences at Texas A&M University are on file in the Office of the Dean in the College of Veterinary Medicine:

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- College of Education and Human Development
- College of Liberal Arts
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IV. Accreditation

The proposed name change would not affect any operational aspects or accreditations or reaccreditation of the College of Veterinary Medicine or Texas A&M University. There would be no changes in classes, distribution of personnel, availability of facilities or availability of equipment. Our current accreditation would be amended to reflect the proposed name. The college is accredited
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V. Additional Proposals

This request is part of a joint request for name changes of the college of Veterinary Medicine and three of its departments. Proposals for these changes are attached. Departmental name changes will include changes in departmental prefixes and course name prefixes, as shown in the table in Section I of this request.

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VII. Costs

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SUBSTANTIVE ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGE REQUEST  
(Second of three departmental requests)

NAME OF INSTITUTION: Texas A&M University

CHANGE REQUEST: (a) change the name of the Department of Veterinary Large Animal Medicine and Surgery to the Department of Veterinary Large Animal Clinical Sciences; (b) to change undergraduate, professional, and graduate course prefixes to reflect the name change of the department.

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Department of Veterinary Large Animal Clinical Sciences (VLCS)  
Admin Codes  
2885

Proposed date for implementation of administrative change  
Spring 2004

Person(s) to be contacted for further information about administrative change(s):

H. Richard Adams  
Dean, College of Veterinary Medicine  
Ph: (979)845-5053  Fx: (979)845-5088  

Evelyn Tiffany-Castiglioni  
Associate Dean, College of Veterinary Medicine  
Head, Veterinary Anatomy and Public Health  
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Signatures:

________________________________________  
Campus Chief Executive Officer  
Date

________________________________________  
System Chief Executive Officer  
(As appropriate)  
Date

Governing Board approval date: ________________________________
PROPOSED ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGE:

CHANGE THE NAME OF

THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERINARY LARGE ANIMAL MEDICINE AND SURGERY
(VLAM)
TO
THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERINARY LARGE ANIMAL CLINICAL SCIENCES
(VLCS)

AT
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

I. Change Request

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B. No change in administrative load is expected

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II. Reason for Request:

Changing the name of the department would more accurately describe the great breadth of our academic and animal health care missions as well as assume the name adopted by most veterinary medical institutions in the United States (see Table below). This department sees, examines, treats, consults, manages, and does research on all species with the exception of dogs and cats. Thus the list of species includes cattle, horses and other equids, swine, sheep, goats, wildlife (deer, elk, large
cats, etc.), exotic and commercial hoof stock, zoo and privately owned animals of all species, and occasionally large aquatic mammals. This department is actively and intimately involved in the animal agricultural world. Our involvement on a daily basis has less to do with “medicine” or “surgery” compared to management, environmental and regulatory issues, biodefense, sanitation and insuring safe food products, animal welfare, and other issues which daily are encountered in these industries. The name change would positively affect our image and ability to recruit high quality veterinary and graduate students by more properly stating our very broad approach in the animal world.

The present department has faculty members who are board certified or PhD level individuals in various specialties and disciplines: such as internal medicine, reproduction, emergency and critical care, epidemiology, infectious disease, orthopedic and soft tissue surgery, radiology, agricultural economics, radiation oncology, pathology, and physiology. Curriculum changes have accompanied the evolution of these specialties and disciplines. Our major research efforts in horses, for example, evolve around defining the risk factors in colic, reproductive failure, foal pneumonia, and racing injuries, as opposed to the more traditional clinical trials involving medicine and surgery. In the food producing animal industries our research focus is similar, that is, population studies defining risk factors negatively affecting production and the end product - food. For example, one project is examining both the air quality and specific toxin generated defects in oysters in the Gulf to better define long term effects in both free range cattle (reproductive health) and humans living in the coastal region of Texas.

Continued advances in veterinary medicine, changes in animal agriculture industries, and the demands of our clientele have greatly influenced our educational and outreach programs. We offer a variety of courses and experiences in beef cattle and exotic hoof stock management, reproduction techniques, agricultural economics, various forms of imaging modalities, and conservation management of wildlife and birds. The departmental name, veterinary medicine and surgery, does not project these non-surgical and medicine aspect of the animal world we are required to teach.

Many, if not all, of the colleges of veterinary medicine in North America have adopted names such as “clinical sciences or studies” as is evident in the table below.

| Names of Other Large Animal Veterinary Medical Departments in US Colleges of Veterinary Medicine |
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| **Colleges of Veterinary Medicine**           | **Departments Inclusive of Large Animals**       |
| Auburn University                             | Clinical Sciences                                |
| University of California                      | Surgical and Radiological Sciences               |
| Colorado State University                     | Clinical Sciences                                |
| Cornell University                            | Clinical Sciences                                |
| University of Florida                         | Large Animal Clinical Sciences                   |
| University of Illinois                        | Veterinary Biosciences                           |
| Names of Other Large Animal Veterinary Medical Departments in US Colleges of Veterinary Medicine |
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| Iowa State University                        | Veterinary Clinical Sciences                  |
| Kansas State University                      | Clinical Sciences                             |
| Louisiana State University                    | Veterinary Clinical Sciences                  |
| Michigan State University                     | Large Animal Clinical Sciences                |
| University of Minnesota                       | Large Animal Clinical Sciences                |
| University of Montreal                        | Clinical Sciences                             |
| North Carolina State University               | Clinical Sciences                             |
| Ohio State University                         | Veterinary Clinical Sciences                  |
| Oregon State University                        | Clinical Sciences                             |
| University of Pennsylvania                    | Clinical Studies                              |
| Purdue University                              | Clinical Sciences                             |
| University of Saskatchewan                    | Large Animal Clinical Sciences                |
| University of Tennessee                        | Large Animal Clinical Sciences                |
| Tuskegee University                             | Clinical Sciences                             |
| Virginia-Maryland Regional CVM                | Large Animal Clinical Sciences                |
| Washington State University                    | Veterinary Clinical Sciences                  |

In summary, "medicine" and "surgery" remain major disciplines of our total venue, but it is the various clinical and basic sciences that make up a significant portion of our teaching, patient care, preventive health care, livestock management, and research missions. The requested name change, Large Animal Clinical Sciences, will more accurately describe what we do daily, who we are, and how we propose to excel in teaching, service and research. We believe it will help to send the proper and accurate "signal" to potential graduate students as well as our clientele.

### III. Role and Scope

The proposed name change would not require changes in the departmental role and mission, but rather would reflect changes in the department's expanding mission that have occurred over the last 30 years.

The proposed name of the department does not conflict with the name of any existing college, department, or program at Texas A&M University. The name change simply reflects the current role
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V. Additional Proposals

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VI. Resources

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Department of Veterinary Small Animal Clinical Sciences (VSCS) 2880

Proposed date for implementation of administrative change Spring 2004

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CHANGE THE NAME OF

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(VSAM)
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THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERINARY SMALL ANIMAL CLINICAL SCIENCES
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AT
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

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II. Reason for Request

Changing the name of the department would positively affect the image of the department to the general public and to the student population, and more accurately reflect the breadth of our academic and clinical activities. The scope of small animal veterinary medicine has expanded with the development of specialties over the last three decades. An example is the department’s Gastrointestinal Laboratory which offers opportunities for graduate study for both graduate
veterinarians and for non-veterinarians with strong science backgrounds. The name change would more clearly present such opportunities to potential students for graduate studies in addition to the traditional post-DVM residencies and internships. During 1970 to 2000, veterinary medicine has evolved from a broad base with minimal specialization (essentially two specialties—medicine and surgery) to the current position that includes multiple areas of defined expertise. When first established as a department, the name - Veterinary Small Animal Medicine and Surgery - was adequate to represent the two clinical areas that were taught by veterinary educators of the time. At the present time, the Department of Veterinary Small Animal Medicine and Surgery has faculty members who are specialists in anesthesiology, animal behavior, cardiology, cardiovascular surgery, critical care and emergency medicine, dermatology, feline medicine, gastroenterology, internal medicine, neurology and neurosurgery, nutrition, ophthalmology, oncology, orthopedic surgery, soft tissue surgery, and urology. These specialty areas clearly reflect the broad clinical sciences of the department which expand far beyond just medicine and surgery. Within these areas of specialization, faculty members utilize the most modern equipment and scientific techniques in the practice of veterinary medicine, and diagnostic methods include application of the most current technologies.

A cursory look at the 2003 American Veterinary Medical Association Membership Directory shows that many of the college of veterinary medicine in the United States and Canada have replaced the older terminology describing clinical departments in veterinary colleges with more descriptive titles which actually encompass the work of the departments, and the newer names include “clinical sciences” in most of the names of clinical departments. The table below lists the names of small animal veterinary medical departments in a number of U.S. veterinary schools.

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Dr. H. Richard Adams  
Dean  
College of Veterinary Medicine  
Texas A&M University  
M.S. 4461

Dear Richard:

I read with interest your proposal for name changes for the College of Veterinary Medicine and its Departments and the rationale for the changes. I agree that the changes will more accurately reflect the academic and research programs and the mission of the College; therefore I am pleased to support the proposed name changes for the College and the Departments.

We appreciate your cooperation with the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, and we look forward to continuing our association.

Sincerely,

Edward A. Hiler  
Vice Chancellor and Dean  
Agriculture and Life Sciences  
Director, Texas Agricultural Experiment Station

EAH:mrp

A Member of The Texas A&M University System and its Statewide Agriculture Program
February 18, 2003

H. Richard Adams, Dean
College of Veterinary Medicine
Texas A&M University

Dear Richard,

Thank you for informing us of the College of Veterinary Medicine's proposal to change its name to the College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences. We are completely supportive of this change.

I have spoken with our representatives to the Faculty Senate. We've evaluated the proposal for the new name as providing better information to potential students and faculty as to the current scope of your College.

The current biomedical sciences program in your college is quite important to the career aspirations of many students. We have enjoyed a very positive collaboration with the program as well in terms of attracting some students to careers in science education.

Please rely on our support.

Sincerely,

Jane Close Conoley
Dean and Professor
January 16, 2003

Dean H. Richard Adams, DVM, PhD
College of Veterinary Medicine
Texas A&M University
Texas Veterinary Medical Center
4461 TAMU
College Station, TX 77843-4461

Dear Dean Adams:

In a letter dated December 18, 2002, you propose the following college and departmental name changes:

- The College of Veterinary Medicine to the College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences.
- The Department of Large Animal Medicine & Surgery to the Department of Large Animal Clinical Sciences.
- The Department of Small Animal Medicine & Surgery to the Department of Small Animal Clinical Sciences.
- The Department of Veterinary Anatomy & Public Health to the Department of Veterinary Integrative Biosciences.

I understand the Department of Veterinary Pathobiology and the Department of Veterinary Physiology & Pharmacology will remain unchanged.

After careful review, these changes make a great deal of sense, and on behalf of the College of Liberal Arts, I write to support them as listed above.

Please accept my best wishes for success on this proposal.

Sincerely,

Charles A. Johnson
Dean

cc: Executive Staff
January 14, 2003

Dr. H. Richard Adams, Dean
College of Veterinary Medicine
Mailstop 4461
CAMPUS

Dear Dean Adams:

This is to confirm the College of Science’s support for the proposed departmental and college name changes for the College of Veterinary Medicine and its departments as proposed in your letter to me of December 18, 2003. Please do not hesitate to contact me if I can provide additional information.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

H. Joseph Newton
Dean
MEMORANDUM

To: Dr. H. Richard Adams, Dean
   College of Veterinary Medicine

From: Dr. Timothy D. Phillips, Chair
      Interdisciplinary Faculty of Toxicology

Subject: Name Changes within the CVM

On behalf of the Interdisciplinary Faculty of Toxicology, we support the proposed name changes for the College of Veterinary Medicine, three of its five departments, and their associated graduate degrees. We feel that the changes more accurately reflect the current academic foci of the college and departments. The new names will serve to benefit each of the three departments and the college as a whole, as well as their affiliated life sciences programs, including the Toxicology Program.
MEMORANDUM

TO: Dr. Linda Guarino  
Chair, Faculty of Biotechnology  

FROM: Dr. Evelyn Tiffany-Castiglioni  
Professor and Head  
Department of Veterinary Anatomy and Public Health  

SUBJECT: Proposed Name Changes in the College of Veterinary Medicine

The College of Veterinary Medicine is seeking approval for proposed name changes for the College and three departments. The proposed changes are as follows:

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