6. Change in Curriculum

**College of Agriculture and Life Sciences**
Department of Plant Pathology and Microbiology
Minor in Bioenvironmental Sciences
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COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND LIFE SCIENCES
DEPARTMENT OF PLANT PATHOLOGY AND MICROBIOLOGY
MINOR IN BIOENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES
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): Plant Pathology & Microbiology

4. Program Designation and Name (e.g., B.A. in History, Minor in History, Certificate in European Union): Minor in Bioenvironmental Sciences

5. Brief description of change: BESC Minor is being updated to incorporate current course options. This process was incomplete from its original intended date in 2008.

6. Rationale for change: BESC Minor in current form has remained unchanged since inception. Course options no longer exist in some cases and does not incorporate current BESC course options.

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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? http://www.thecb.state.tx.us/index.cfm?objectid=A0F9F7FF-9A92-4F11-2736AD3B1BF01D60 ☐ Yes ☑ No

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:

[Signature]

Department Head or Program Chair (Type Name & Sign) Date

[Signature]

Chair, College Review Committee Date

[Signature]

Dean of College Date

[Signature]

Chair, GC or UCC Date

Questions regarding this form should be directed to Curricular Services at 845-8201 or sandra.villarreal@tamu.edu.
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December 15, 2008

MEMORANDUM

To: Dr. Bob Knight, Chair COALS UPC

From: Dr. Chuck Kenerley, Associate Dept. Head, PLPM

Through: Dr. Dennis Gross, Professor & Head, PLPM

Subject: Revision of BESC Minor

We would like to update our BESC minor with the following changes. Currently, the following courses are listed in SIMS as required for the BESC minor:

10 hours – BESC 201, BESC 401, BESC 402, PLPA 489
3 hours – choose from: AGRO 455, AGSM 335, AGSM 337, ENTC 477
3 hours – choose from: FRSC 302, PHIL 314, RENR 375

The revised minor for BESC would require a minimum of 16 hours and include the following courses:

Core Courses (7 hours)
1. BESC 201 Introduction to Bioenvironmental Sciences (3 hours)
2. PLPA 301/303 Plant Pathology & Plant Pathology Lab (4 hours)

Directed Elective Courses (9 hours)
Choose from BESC 204, 314, 320, 367, 401, 402, 403, 484, 485, 489, 491

See the attached Minor approval form for a complete listing and explanation of the proposed Bioenvironmental Sciences minor. Please contact our Advising office if you have any questions or need anything further for this request. Thank you!

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PROPOSED
Minor in Bioenvironmental Sciences
Offered by
The Department of Plant Pathology & Microbiology
College of Agriculture & Life Sciences

The minor in Bioenvironmental Sciences is available to all students enrolled at Texas A&M University. The courses listed below constitute the minimum 16 hours required for a minor in Bioenvironmental Sciences.

A GRADE OF ‘C’ OR BETTER IN EACH COURSE USED FOR THE MINOR IS REQUIRED.

A. Core Courses (7 hours):
1. BESC 201 Introduction to Bioenvironmental Sciences 3 Credit Hours
2. PLPA 301 Plant Pathology 3 Credit Hours, AND
   PLPA 303 Plant Pathology Laboratory 1 Credit Hour

(NOTE: Substitutions are not allowed for core courses.)

B. Directed Elective Courses (9 hours):
Nine additional hours of BESC courses are required. Students are encouraged to visit the Bioenvironmental Sciences Academic Advisor in 101 Peterson Building (PETR), to select the appropriate directed elective courses based on their individual educational and career interests.

C. Prerequisite Courses:
All prerequisites for each core and elective course also must be met. Prerequisite courses will not be applied to the minor requirements and do not count toward the number of hours needed to complete the minor. Please refer to the Texas A&M University Undergraduate Catalog for a listing of course prerequisites.

D. Availability of Courses and Minor Recognition:
The Department of Plant Pathology & Microbiology cannot guarantee the availability of the courses required to meet the above requirements. Successful completion of the minor will be certified by a degree audit in SIMS during the semester of the student’s graduation. The minor will be recognized after graduation on the student’s transcript, but not on the student’s diploma.

Students pursuing the Minor in Bioenvironmental Sciences are to complete the information requested below and submit this document to 101 PETR.

_________________________________________  ________________________________
Printed Name                                                               Signature

DATE: ___________________   MAJOR:____________________

CELL PHONE #: ___________________   UIN: ___________________

NEO E-MAIL: ___________________

BESC Undergraduate Advisor’s Approval:

_________________________________________  ________________________________
Undergraduate Advisor Signature                                                               DATE:

For PLPM office use only:

DATE: ___________________   Minor entered in SIMS (screen 142)

DATE: ___________________   Copy of Minor Form sent to Primary Major (MS_____)

DATE: ___________________   Student Information Entered in Database