



October 17, 2016

Administrative Board of the College of Arts and Sciences
Undergraduate Curriculum
CB# 3504, 300 Steele Building

Dear Administrative Board:

The Exercise and Sport Science department requests the following changes:

- The deactivation of the undergraduate EXSS-Athletic Training program
- The deactivation of the undergraduate Recreation Administration minor
- The changing of two RECR courses to EXSS prefixed courses

First Request: Deactivation of the undergraduate EXSS-Athletic Training Program

- Rationale:
 - The Undergraduate Athletic Training Program will be discontinued due to changes that are occurring with the national organization that accredits programs (Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education (CAATE)). The CAATE has decided that to become certified as an athletic trainer, students can no longer earn a bachelor's degree and must earn a master's degree. As a department, we are not in a position to transition the current program to a professional master's degree at this time.
- Transition Plan:
 - We are conscious of the effect that this may have on students and have therefore planned to have the Fall 2016 first year class as the last class that can apply to the program during their sophomore year.
 - The information above has been posted on our website so incoming students for the Fall 2017 will know we are discontinuing the program. Following the proper procedures with the college and the CAATE will hopefully allow us to develop a program in the future if it fits the mission of the EXSS department and the needs of North Carolina.
- Effective Date:
 - Fall 2017. Our last application class will be Fall 2017, with a graduation of Spring 2020. This is the same year in which we would be scheduled to submit our reaccreditation documents to the CAATE.

Second Request: Deactivation of the undergraduate Recreation Administration minor

- Rationale:

- We are deactivating the minor due to lack of faculty with that particular expertise. In May 2016, our Recreation Administration professor (Dr. Diane Groff) retired.
- Transition Plan:
 - In Spring 2016, we surveyed declared RECR minors and are offering two RECR classes this year in order for existing minors to complete the minor.
 - Previously, the minor required four semesters to complete as Dr. Groff only offered one RECR class per semester.
- Effective Date:
 - Fall 2017 (but we have worked with Academic Advising already to remove from the Major/Minor Declaration form)

Third Request: Change the RECR prefix to EXSS

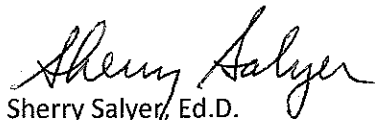
- This request is directly related to the RECR minor request.
- Through CRAS, we have placed a deactivation request for all existing RECR courses except two:
 - RECR 420: Program Planning in Recreation Services
 - RECR 430: Introduction to Leadership and Group Dynamics
- We will offer these two courses this year and, hopefully, in the future as electives—particularly attractive for our EXSS-Sport Administration majors.
- With that in mind, we request to change the prefix for those two courses to EXSS.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,



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