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## Proposal to the Senate Educational Policy Committee

*Please replace all text in italic with appropriate information before submitting your proposal.  
Your entries should be in regular (not italic) font.*

**PROPOSAL TITLE:** Discontinue the Food Industry and Business (FIB) concentration in the Department of Food Science and Human Nutrition, College of Agricultural, Consumer, and Environmental Sciences.

**SPONSOR:** Sharon Nickols-Richardson, Professor and Head, 244-4498, nickrich@illinois.edu

**COLLEGE CONTACT:** Soo-Yeun Lee, Assistant Dean, 128 Mumford Hall, MC-710

**BRIEF DESCRIPTION:** We propose the discontinuance of the Food Industry and Business concentration in Food Science and Human Nutrition, College of ACES.

**JUSTIFICATION:** This FIB concentration has traditionally experienced low student numbers and the training is not sufficient to perform in the role of Food Scientists, and yet many who enroll in FIB concentration are qualified to earn their BS degree in the Food Science concentration. In addition, completing the FIB concentration is challenging for students because getting into the necessary marketing, management, and business courses are difficult because the students often lack the prerequisites, the courses have limited enrollment, and FIB students have no registration priority. FSHN stopped admitting students to this program several years ago, and we now have only three students in the program. They are scheduled to graduate in May 2015.

**BUDGETARY AND STAFF IMPLICATIONS:** There are no budgetary or staff implications related to this discontinuance of this concentration.

### 1) Resources

- a. How does the unit intend to financially support this proposal?
- b. How will the unit create capacity or surplus to appropriately resource this program? If applicable, what functions or programs will the unit no longer support to create capacity?
- c. Will the unit need to seek campus or other external resources? If so, please provide a summary of the sources and an indication of the approved support.
- d. Please provide a letter of acknowledgment from the college that outlines the financial arrangements for the proposed program.

**2) Resource Implications**

- a. Please address the impact on faculty resources including the changes in numbers of faculty, class size, teaching loads, student-faculty ratios, etc. No impact
- b. Please address the impact on course enrollment in other units and provide an explanation of discussions with representatives of those units. The discontinuance of this concentration will have no impact on other units on campus.
- c. Please address the impact on the University Library The discontinuance of this concentration will have no impact on the University Library
- d. Please address the impact on technology and space (e.g. computer use, laboratory use, equipment, etc.) The discontinuance of this concentration will have no impact on technology and space.

For new degree programs only:

- 3) Briefly describe how this program will support the University's mission, focus, and/or current priorities. Include specific objectives and measurable outcomes that demonstrate the program's consistency with and centrality to that mission.
- 4) Please provide an analysis of the market demand for this degree program. What market indicators are driving this proposal? What type of employment outlook should these graduates expect? What resources will be provided to assist students with job placement?
- 5) If this is a proposed graduate program, please discuss the programs intended use of waivers. If the program is dependent on waivers, how will the unit compensate for lost tuition revenue?

**DESIRED EFFECTIVE DATE:** Spring 2015

**STATEMENT FOR PROGRAMS OF STUDY CATALOG:** All reference to the Food and Industry and Business concentration should be removed from the Programs of Study Catalog.

**CLEARANCES:** (Clearances should include signatures and dates of approval. These signatures must appear on a separate sheet. If multiple departments or colleges are sponsoring the proposal, please add the appropriate signature lines below.)

Signatures:

Sharon M. Nickols-Richardson  
Unit Representative: Sharon Nickols-Richardson

09/16/14  
Date:

Laurie Kramer  
College Representative: ~~Soo-Youn Lee~~ Laurie Kramer

9-29-14  
Date:

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Graduate College Representative:

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Date:

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Council on Teacher Education Representative:

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Date:

**Chappell, Robert H Jr**

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**From:** Lowry, Mary K  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 18, 2014 12:14  
**To:** Chappell, Robert H Jr  
**Cc:** Lee, Soo-Yeun  
**Subject:** FW: Discontinuance of FIB concentration  
**Attachments:** Proposal to the Senate Educational Policy Committee, FIB.doc

Rob,  
I wasn't sure I had sent you the revised version.  
Mary

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**From:** Vandeventer, Barbara J  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 18, 2014 9:24 AM  
**To:** Nickols, Sharon M; Garrow, Timothy A; Lowry, Mary K  
**Subject:** Discontinuance of FIB concentration

Tim just called me to let me know that the ACES C&C Committee approved our request to discontinue the FIB concentration. However, they requested a little more information on the form we submitted. This is the verbiage that Tim asked me to add at the end of our justification on page 1 of the form. (I am attaching the revised version.) No other changes were made.

FSHN stopped admitting students to this program several years ago, and we now have only three students in the program. They are scheduled to graduate in May 2015.

Dr. Nickols-Richardson, can you please indicate to this group whether or not you approve this addition? Mary, can you please let the group know whether or not I need to reprint the form and ask Dr. Nickols-Richardson to sign the revised version, or if the signature page that was already sent on to ACES is sufficient?

Thanks.

Barb

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**From:** Nickols, Sharon M  
**Sent:** Friday, September 19, 2014 08:39  
**To:** Lowry, Mary K; Vandeventer, Barbara J; Garrow, Timothy A  
**Cc:** Chappell, Robert H Jr; Lee, Soo-Yeun  
**Subject:** RE: Discontinuance of FIB concentration

Hi everyone,

Yes, I approve of these changes. Thank you for using the clearance page already provided, with the updated version of the proposal provided by Barb.

Thanks again!

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**From:** Lowry, Mary K  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 18, 2014 9:31 AM  
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**Cc:** Chappell, Robert H Jr; Lee, Soo-Yeun  
**Subject:** RE: Discontinuance of FIB concentration

Barb,

Thanks everyone for making the additions so quickly! As long as Dr. Nickols-Richardson lets us know that she approves of the changes, we will use the clearance page that we already have with the updated version of the proposal that you attached.

Thanks,

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October 16, 2014

Gay Miller, Chair  
Senate Committee on Educational Policy  
Office of the Senate  
228 English Building, MC-461

Dear Professor Miller:

Enclosed is a copy of a proposal from the College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences to eliminate the Food Industry and Business concentration in the Bachelor of Science in Food Science and Human Nutrition.

The proposal has been reviewed and approved by the College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences Courses and Curricula Committee. It now requires Senate review.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kristi A. Kuntz".

Kristi A. Kuntz  
Associate Provost

Enclosures

c: T. Garrow  
S. Nickols-Richardson  
B. Vandeventer

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September 23, 2014

Kristi Kuntz, Associate Provost  
Office of the Provost, Second Floor  
Swanlund Administration Building  
Campus MC-304

Dear Kristi:

I am writing to request campus-level approval for the elimination of the Food Industry and Business concentration within the Department of Food Science and Human Nutrition. A full description and justification of this proposal can be found in the attached paperwork, which has been reviewed and approved by the College of ACES C&C Committee.

Thank you for your consideration of this request. I look forward to receiving your reply.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Laurie Kramer".

Laurie Kramer  
Professor and Associate Dean  
College of ACES

LFK/rhc

cc: T. A. Garrow  
S. M. Nickols-Richardson  
B. J. Vandeventer  
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