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CALS Governance Council
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There are only two committee updates, CALS Curriculum Committee and Committee on Academic Program Policy.

CALS Curriculum Committee Update CALS Governance Council – September 2020

Submitted by Dave Winston

The CALS Curriculum Committee has reorganized for the new academic year. Dave Winston (DASC) is the returning chair of the committee. Other members are: Jennifer Friedel (AAEC), Donna Westfall-Rudd (ALCE), Dan Eversole (APSC), Tim Larson (BCHM), James Wilson (ENT), Haibo Huang (FST), Dongmin Liu (HNFE), Ben Tracy (SPES), and Jennifer Jones (OMALS). Anna Taylor (AP Office) is the staff representative and provides administrative support.

At the university level, CALS is represented by Jennifer Jones on the Graduate Curriculum Committee, James Wilson on the University Curriculum Committee for General Education, Matthew Eick on the Pathways General Education Curriculum Review Committee, and Dave Winston on the Undergraduate Curriculum Committee.

The 2020-2021 CALS Curriculum Committee will meet on first Thursdays at 1:30 PM. The next committee meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 1. Those wishing to submit proposals should do so at least one week in advance of the next committee meeting.

The following courses were approved and added to their respective course catalogs during the previous academic year:

<i>AAEC 3424</i>	<i>Value-Based Mgmt in AgBusiness (New)</i>
<i>ALCE 5704</i>	<i>Systems Thinking Pedagogy Prxs (New)</i>
<i>ALS 5104</i>	<i>Comm Research & Leading in ALS (New)</i>
<i>ALS 5134</i>	<i>Comm Based App Qual Inquiry (New)</i>
<i>BCHM 5204</i>	<i>Eukaryotic Gene Regulation (New)</i>
<i>CSES 5324</i>	<i>Blending Bus & Environment (New)</i>
<i>ENT 4624</i>	<i>Biosafety Biosecurity (New)</i>
<i>HNFE 5354</i>	<i>Food for Optimal Health (Revised)</i>
<i>HNFE 5474</i>	<i>Human Exercise Testing (New)</i>
<i>PPWS 2754</i>	<i>Weeds that Shape Our World (New, Pathways)</i>
<i>SPES 5004</i>	<i>Graduate Seminar Pant Env Sci (New)</i>

The following new AAEC majors were approved during the previous academic year:

Community Economic Development
Food and Health Systems Economics
Environmental Economics, Management, and Policy
International Trade and Development

Teaching and Learning in Agriculture was added as a new minor in ALCE in 2019-2020.

CAPP update:
Submitted by Jennifer Jones

The CALS CAPP Committee met on September 10th to discuss the collegiate faculty promotion guidelines document that is currently being created. The document is now ready to be sent to other stakeholders in the college (collegiate faculty, department heads, CALS Faculty Association, and CALS leadership) for additional feedback. That feedback will be received and incorporated before the document is sent on to the next levels of approval at the college and university levels.