

BOARD OF GOVERNORS
STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA
Academic Programs Team
May 13, 2009

SUBJECT: Ph.D. in Nutritional Sciences at the University of Florida

PROPOSED COMMITTEE ACTION

Consider request for approval of the Ph.D. in Nutritional Sciences at the University of Florida, CIP Code 30.1901

AUTHORITY FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS ACTION

Section 7(d), Art. IX, Florida Constitution; Board of Governors Regulation 8.011

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The University of Florida (UF) is seeking to elevate the existing Nutritional Sciences concentration in the Ph.D. in Food Science and Human Nutrition (FSHN) program to a standalone degree program. The program will require 90 credit hours beyond the baccalaureate degree. Funding will be reallocated from the FSHN program, and expenses will be minimal as the program continues to utilize faculty and facilities currently used for the concentration. The University anticipates an enhanced likelihood of acquiring training grant support because of the interdisciplinary breadth and depth of faculty expertise.

This program was approved by the UF Board of Trustees at their June 15, 2007 meeting, but was withdrawn from Board of Governors consideration in Fall 2007 at the suggestion of the Chancellor because of the uncertain state revenue projections. The University has resubmitted the program for consideration and if approved by the Board of Governors, students will be admitted beginning Fall 2009.

Supporting Documentation Included: Staff Analysis
Proposal

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UF Representatives