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At meeting No. 370 held March 23, 2001, the Graduate Council considered and approved the following curricular matters which are now submitted to the Faculty Senate for information or confirmation as indicated.

I. Matters Requiring Confirmation by Faculty Senate

A. College of Environmental and Life Sciences

1. Department of Nutrition and Food Sciences

a. Changes:

Change the list of specializations in the Food Science option to read:

Marine food product and process development; food structure and rheology; fish mince and surimu technology; seafood flavor; food safety and quality assessment.

Change program requirements for the Master's degree in the Food Science option to read:

Program requirements: thesis; two credits in NFS 511; a minimum of three credits in biochemistry, chemistry of microbiology, NFS 431, 432, 435, and 502.

Change program requirements for the Ph.D. degree in the Food Science option to read:

Program requirements: dissertation; same as master's degree plus BCH 581 and either BCH 542 or 521; a total of three credits in NFS 511.............

2. Department of Biochemistry, Microbiology and Molecular Genetics

a. Changes:

Change the name of the department to Cell and Molecular Biology
Discontinue the separate degree programs in Biochemistry and Microbiology, and making them separate "tracks" within the new degree program of Cell and Molecular Biology. The new requirements are:

For the M.S. and Ph.D. in Cell and Molecular Biology:

Admission requirements: GRE and a bachelor's degree with a program of studies that included at least two semesters each of: biological sciences, general chemistry, organic chemistry, physics, and mathematics including at least one semester of calculus. Applicants may be admitted with deficiencies, to be corrected with appropriate coursework to be excluded from program credit.

Program requirements: Core courses (all tracks): MIC 413/415 (5), BCH 593E, BCH 581, 582, BCH/MIC 695. Biochemistry track: core courses plus nine credits chosen from: BCH 542, 584, BMS 641, BCH (BMS) 642, BMS 530, 535, 572, BCH 521, 523/524 (max 3 credits for MS and 6 credits for PhD). Microbiology track: core courses plus MIC 414/416 (5), 500-600 level elective, 695. Molecular genetics track: core courses plus BCH 437, MIC 695, at least 2 credits of a free elective, MIC 552 or BIO 573.

B. College of Human Science and Services

1. Department of Human Development and Family Studies

a. New Course:

HDF 506 Rhode Island Early Childhood Institute (1-3) Intensive institute focused on contemporary issues in early childhood education in Rhode Island and the nation. Topics vary, with discussion of theoretical, empirical, and practical issues. (Sem) Pre: Enrollment in Early Childhood Institute program or permission of instructor. May be repeated as topics vary.

2. School of Education

a. Change:

EDP 625 Quantitative Analysis in Educational Research - change prerequisite to read:
Pre: EDP 610, 611, 615, and a course in introductory statistics, or permission of instructor.

C. College of Arts and Sciences

1. Department of English

a. Delete (four year rule):

ENG 640 Seminar in Interdisciplinary Studies