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Faculty Senate

Serial Number #00-01--27

TO: President Robert L. Carothers

FROM: C. B. Peters, Chairperson of the Faculty Senate

- 1. The attached BILL, titled Changes to the Department of Biochemistry, Microbiology and Molecular Genetics Recommended in the 396 Report of the CAC and Graduate Council Report No. 2000-01-8 is forwarded for your consideration.
2. The original and two copies for your use are included.
3. This BILL was adopted by vote of the Faculty Senate on April 26, 2001.
4. After considering this bill, will you please indicate your approval or disapproval. Return the original or forward it to the Board of Governors, completing the appropriate endorsement below.
5. In accordance with Section 10, paragraph 4 of the Senate's By-Laws, this bill will become effective May 17, 2001 three weeks after Senate approval, unless: (1) specific dates for implementation are written into the bill; (2) you return it disapproved; (3) you forward it to the Board of Governors for their approval; or (4) the University Faculty petitions for a referendum. If the bill is forwarded to the Board of Governors, it will not become effective until approved by the Board.

April 27, 2001 (date)

C. B. Peters signature and title: Chairperson of the Faculty Senate

ENDORSEMENT

TO: Chairperson of the Faculty Senate

FROM: President of the University

Returned.

- a. Approved
b. Approved subject to final approval by Board of Governors
c. Disapproved

5/2/01 (date)

Robert L. Carothers signature and title: President



Faculty Senate

On April 26, 2001, the Faculty Senate approved the following recommendations from the Curricular Affairs Committee (#396) and the Graduate Council (No. 2000-01-8):

College of the Environment and Life Sciences

Department of Biochemistry, Microbiology and Molecular Genetics

*CHANGE: Name of Department to "Department of Cell and Molecular Biology."

Discontinue the separate degree programs in Biochemistry and Microbiology, and making them separate "tracks" within the new degree program of [the Department of] Cell and Molecular Biology. The new requirements are:

For the M.S. and Ph.D. in [the Department of] 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 Ph.D.). 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.

*May require approval by the Board of Governors.