

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, EAST BAY

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TO: The Academic Senate

FROM: The Committee on Academic Planning and Review (CAPR)

SUBJECT: Proposed Name Change for Kinesiology & Physical Education

PURPOSE: For Action by the Academic Senate

ACTION

REQUESTED: That the Academic Senate approve the proposed academic unit name change for Kinesiology & Physical Education to Kinesiology; effective upon the signature of the President for signage and directory information (practical purposes) and for the catalog beginning in 2010.

BACKGROUND

INFORMATION: At its meeting on March 5, 2009, CAPR reviewed and approved the attached request for a name change from Department of Kinesiology & Physical Education to Department of Kinesiology by a vote of 7-0-0.

REQUEST FOR CHANGE OF STATUS OF AN ACADEMIC UNIT

Current Unit Name: Kinesiology and Physical Education

Type of Change requested: __Formation; __Dissolution; Name Change; __Merger

New Unit Name: Kinesiology

Proposed effective date of the change (catalog date): Fall 2009

Criteria or reason for this action:

The new name much more accurately reflects the current state of the discipline. Moreover, in the past, Physical Education constituted the largest professional application within the discipline, thus naming it in the title was appropriate. Increasingly however, this is not the case as training Physical Education (pre-service) teachers for K-12 is only 20-30% of the overall student population in Kinesiology.

A. Mission of the academic unit:

- How does the proposed name/unit more clearly fit the mission of the academic unit?
The Department's mission is to prepare students for careers in a broad range of fields related to fitness, sport, and physical activity, and physical education. The name change to Kinesiology more accurately reinforces the department's mission.
- Does the change reflect a change in the unit's mission? Explain
No, the change to Kinesiology does not reflect a change in the department's mission.

B. Curricular implications:

- Does the new name/unit reflect past changes in curriculum? Explain
No.
- Does it reflect plans for future curriculum changes? Explain (attach if needed)
No.
- Do any planned changes impinge on other academic units? Explain
No.
- Which other units have been consulted?
All departments in the College of Education and Allied Studies have been consulted and there are no objections.
N/A _____ signature/date
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- What are the plans for avoiding unnecessary duplication?
We do not anticipate any duplication, since curriculum will remain the same.

C. Effect on the University:

- How will the new name/unit assist students in finding the program they need?
Kinesiology is the standard name for a department whose aim it is to study human movement.

- How does the new name/unit make clear the differences between the academic unit and others in the University?
 Dropping "Physical Education" from the title should not make differences between units any less clear.
- What are the resource/cost implications of the change?
 None, since the department will deplete all letterhead, brochures, and other promotional items and purchase new materials as part of the normal course of action at the start of the next fiscal year.

D. Comparisons:

- What names are used for comparable academic units in other Universities in the CSU System and nationwide?
 While there is no nationwide data available, of the 21 CSU campuses with Kinesiology departments only 2 (East Bay and Bakersfield) continue to have Physical Education in the title. The 19 other schools use Kinesiology as the department title.

Approval of the Department Chair/Director (s) *Rita Liberti* Original signed by Dr. Rita Liberti Date 02-04-09
 Rita Liberti, Ph.D., Chair, KPE

Approval of the College Curriculum Committee/Council *Jodi Servatius* Date 2/10/09
 Jodi Servatius, Ed.D., Interim Dean

Approval of the Interim Associate Dean *BL* Date 2/10/09
 Barbara Storms, Ed.D., Interim Associate Dean

Approval of the Provost/VPAA *Michael K. Mahoney* Date 2/19/09
 Michael Mahoney, Ph.D., Provost/VP Academic Affairs