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Office of the President
June 19, 2012

Members, Board of Trustees:

CHANGE IN DEGREE: COLLEGE OF HEALTH SCIENCES

Recommendation: that the Board of Trustees approve a change in the name of the Master of Science in Communication Disorders with a major in Communication Disorders degree to Master of Science in Communication Disorders with a major in Communication Sciences and Disorders (CIP Code: 51.0204, PROG: GS MSCD CSCD), effective in the Fall 2012 Semester.

Background: Students in the Division of Communication Sciences and Disorders study human communication disorders by acquiring a strong foundation in the basic sciences and processes related to communication, swallowing, and cognition. Students learn to conduct research that increases the scientific understanding of communication in both typically-developing and communication-disordered populations. Students are expected to acquire critical-thinking skills necessary to apply foundational knowledge and skills to the identification, assessment, and treatment of communication disorders. The division faculty members work to educate and mentor student scientists and clinicians who work according to best practices. The importance of scientific investigation cannot be overstated in health care practice.

This proposal has the approval of the Health Care Colleges Council, Graduate Council, Senate Council and University Senate. The Interim Provost of the University supports this recommendation.

Action taken: Approved Disapproved Other _____