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Office of the President
February 19, 2016

Members, Board of Trustees:

DELETION OF DEGREE:
COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

Recommendation: that the Board of Trustees approve the deletion of the Master of Science in Agriculture degree, in the Department of Sociology, within the College of Arts and Sciences, effective Spring 2016 Semester.

Background: Prior to July 1, 2002, the Department of Sociology in the College of Arts and Sciences included several rural sociology faculty members with primary appointments in the then-College of Agriculture. The graduate degree programs in Sociology were jointly managed by the two colleges. In April 2002, the Board approved the establishment of the Department of Community and Leadership Development in the then-College of Agriculture. As this department brought together rural social scientists with a primary focus on interdisciplinary activities in community, organizational, and leadership development, there was no longer a need to jointly operate the Sociology graduate programs. The degree program is a remnant of the earlier structure.

The deletion of the degree will not affect any faculty, staff, or students in either the Department of Sociology or the Department of Community and Leadership Development.

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

Action taken: Approved Disapproved Other _____