



## University Senate TRANSMITTAL FORM

<b>Senate Document #:</b>	09-10-09
<b>PCC ID #:</b>	09004
<b>Title:</b>	Rename the B.S. in “Kinesiological Sciences” to “Kinesiology”.
<b>Presenter:</b>	Alex Chen, Chair, Senate Programs, Curricula, and Courses Committee
<b>Date of SEC Review:</b>	
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<b>Voting (highlight one):</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. On resolutions or recommendations one by one, or</li> <li>2. In a single vote</li> <li>3. To endorse entire report</li> </ol>
<b>Statement of Issue:</b>	<p>The Kinesiological Sciences undergraduate major, with the department of Kinesiology, was established in 1974, to capture the core concepts of movement from multiple perspectives (physiological, biomechanical, neural, cognitive, motor, social and historical), in preparation for careers beyond the traditional physical education profession. In the intervening 30 years, there has been an evolution of both content and name changes, and it is now apparent that most departments have settled upon the term "Kinesiology". To better align the name of the Maryland degree and to minimize current and prospective institutional degree identification problems (i.e., CIP and HEGIS codes), the faculty of the Department of Kinesiology proposes changing the name of the BS in Kinesiological Sciences to Kinesiology. The name of the second major with this department, Physical Education, shall remain the same.</p>
<b>Relevant Policy # &amp; URL:</b>	

<b>Recommendation:</b>	The Senate Committee on Programs, Curricula, and Courses recommends that the Senate approve the renaming action.
<b>Committee Work:</b>	The Committee considered the proposal at its meeting on Sept 18, 2009, after successful review by the Academic Planning Advisory Committee (APAC). Prof. Jane Clarke, the Department Chair, was present to answer questions. After discussion, the Committee voted unanimously to recommend approval of the renaming action.
<b>Alternatives:</b>	The Senate could decline to approve the degree name change.
<b>Risks:</b>	If the Senate does not approve the change, the name of the Concentration will not accurately reflect the curriculum.
<b>Financial Implications:</b>	There are no financial implications.
<b>Further Approvals Required:</b> <i>(*Important for PCC Items)</i>	Senate, President, Chancellor, and MHEC notification

**THE UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND, COLLEGE PARK  
PROGRAM/CURRICULUM PROPOSAL**

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DIRECTIONS:

- Provide one form with original approval signatures in lines 1 - 4 for **each** proposed action. Keep this form to one page in length.
  - Early consultation with the Office of the Associate Provost for Academic Planning & Programs is strongly recommended if there are questions or concerns, particularly with new programs.
  - Please submit the signed form to Claudia Rector, Office of the Associate Provost for Academic Planning and Programs, 1119 Main Administration Building, Campus.
  - Please email the rest of the proposal as an MSWord attachment to [pcc-submissions@umd.edu](mailto:pcc-submissions@umd.edu).
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PROPOSED ACTION (A separate form for each) ADD \_\_\_\_\_ DELETE \_\_\_\_\_ CHANGE X

DESCRIPTION (Provide a succinct account of the proposed action. Details should be provided in an attachment. Provide **old** and **new** sample programs for curriculum changes.)

The Department of Kinesiology currently offers a Bachelor of Science degree in two undergraduate majors: 1) Physical Education, and 2) Kinesiological Sciences. The department seeks to change the name of the second major from “Kinesiological Sciences” to “Kinesiology.” The Physical Education degree Name would remain the same.

JUSTIFICATION/REASONS/RESOURCES (Briefly explain the reason for the proposed action. Identify the source of new resources that may be required. Details should be provided in an attachment.)

The term “Kinesiological Sciences” presents an institutional degree identification problem (i.e., CIP and HEGIS codes). Similar departments throughout the nation grant an undergraduate degree in “Kinesiology.” No new resources are anticipated as a result of this action.

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APPROVAL SIGNATURES - **Please print name, sign, and date**

1. Department Committee Chair \_\_\_\_\_

2. Department Chair \_\_\_\_\_

3. College/School PCC Chair \_\_\_\_\_

4. Dean \_\_\_\_\_

5. Dean of the Graduate School (if required) \_\_\_\_\_

6. Chair, Senate PCC \_\_\_\_\_

7. Chair of Senate \_\_\_\_\_

8. Vice President for Academic Affairs & Provost \_\_\_\_\_

## Attachment

From an historical perspective, the content central to understanding movement originated in the 1800's within the emerging field of physical education. By the 1970's, it was evident that the core concepts involved in studying movement from multiple perspectives (physiological, biomechanical, neural, cognitive, motor, social and historical) were applicable to a broad spectrum of research, scholarship and careers beyond the traditional physical education profession. The University of Maryland was the first university within the United States to reflect this and, in 1974, created a second undergraduate major called, "Kinesiological Sciences."

Following a 30 year evolution of both content and name changes, it is now apparent that most departments have settled upon the term, "Kinesiology." To minimize current and prospective institutional degree identification problems (i.e., CIP and HEGIS codes), the faculty of the Department of Kinesiology proposes changing the name of the BS in Kinesiological Sciences to a BS in Kinesiology. The name of the second major, Physical Education, shall remain the same.

It is anticipated that there will be no significant resources required to implement the proposed change. Any necessary updating of materials will be accomplished and absorbed within the existing departmental structure.