

CUSP Resolution 2004-05A
Resolution to Approve New Degree
Bachelor of Science in Agricultural Sciences

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Whereas, the industry of agriculture has indicated a strong desire for bachelor of science degree that offers both breadth and depth in the technical field of agriculture including skills developed in agricultural communications and leadership; and

Whereas, the degree will offer nine hours of course work in the areas of agricultural communications and leadership; and

Whereas, departmental minors from three colleges can be used to provide the appropriate background needed by future professional employees in the industry of agriculture; and

Whereas, a critical mass of students have indicated an interest in majoring in the degree including current students in agricultural education and agriculture undecided, and

Whereas, numerous positions will be available for graduates with this degree; and

Whereas, the degree, with its minor in Agricultural and Extension Education and preparation for the master's plus licensure program, will help minimize the chronic teacher shortage in agricultural education; and

Therefore, be it resolved that the Bachelor of Science in Agricultural Sciences Degree be approved as a degree beginning in the Fall of 2005, following approval by the Board of Visitors and the State Council for Higher Education.