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To: Gary Beach and Cheryl Hagey  
Academic Programs, Assessment, and Accreditation

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RE: Request for Changed Course Designator (EXSS changed to KIN)

Kinesiology has been approved as the new name of the Exercise and Sport Science degree program (BS, MS, PhD) (CPS# 92482; https://secure.oregonstate.edu/ap/cps/proposals/view/92482). In keeping with the degree-program name change, we request that the current course designator, EXSS, be changed to KIN. With the program name change becoming effective Fall 2015, we request that the course-designator change be implemented Fall term, such that it is in place when Winter registration begins (November 15, 2015).

Purpose: The proposed course designator should have an identified purpose with the curricular structure of Oregon State University.

All of the existing EXSS undergraduate and graduate courses would be converted to KIN courses.

- What academic programs, including majors, certificates, options and minors will be serviced by courses within the designator?  
EXSS courses currently serve the EXSS and Athletic Training undergraduate majors, the Exercise Physiology undergraduate minor, and the EXSS graduate major and minor. In addition, an EXSS course is required in the Nutrition major, and EXSS courses are in some tracks of the BioHealth Sciences major.

- In what ways do the general area and scope of the content constitute a coherent body of knowledge?  
As described in the Abbreviated Category I for the change in the program name, the discipline has moved to adopting Kinesiology as its common name.

- Is the proposed usage of the designator consistent with the practice at OSU and other institutions? Give examples.  
A screening of other Kinesiology programs finds that the course designator is typically KIN or KINE. OSU’s program faculty prefer KIN.

Accountability: Responsibility for the integrity and oversight of the proposed course designator should be clearly identified.

Responsibility for the integrity and oversight of the KIN course designator resides in:

- What is the academic College of the designator?  
The College of Public Health & Human Sciences.

- Who is responsible for administering courses in the designator, e.g., scheduling and catalog updates? Who are the faculty contact persons?  
The School of Biological & Population Health Sciences administers courses in the designator (e.g. scheduling and catalog updates). The faculty contact persons are the respective KIN Program Coordinators: Undergraduate – Anthony Wilcox; Graduate – Vicki Ebbeck.
• Who is responsible for consistency and outcomes assessment for courses in the designator?
  School Co-Directors (Anna Harding, Norman Hord) and KIN Program Coordinators are responsible for consistency and outcome assessment for courses in the designator.

• Which units get credit for the SCH generated by courses in the subject code?
The School of Biological & Population Health Sciences receives credit for the SCH generated by KIN courses.

• Who is responsible for communicating information about the new designator to stakeholders, including advisors, Admissions, and students?
  School Co-Directors and KIN Program Coordinators are responsible for communicating information about the new designator to stakeholders, including advisors, Admissions, and students.

**Impacts:** Who will benefit from the new designator and what changes will result from its implementation?

Implementing the change in course designator concurrently with adoption of the new name of the program will maintain a direct correspondence between the two, reinforcing awareness of the change in program name and reducing confusion.

• Will courses in the new designator duplicate or compete with existing ones?
  No.

• Are there expected cross-listings or curricular equivalencies?
  At present, there is one course cross-listing: EXSS 341 and NUTR 341 Nutrition for Exercise. Both programs are within the School of Biological & Population Health Sciences.

• How will the new designator affect transfer credits?
  Articulation tables will be updated to reflect the change in course designator.

• Will any previous existing designators expire as the new one appears?
  No.

• How will the new designator benefit students?
  As noted above, it will bring consistency between the name of the program and the designator for the program’s courses.

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*Note:* This course designator proposal was reformatted (Arial 10pt) with the questions to the first two parts added, along with all of the questions entered in bold. –glb (APAA; 5-14-15)