

Department of Microbiology Ten-Year Action Plan Addendum from the Curriculum Council

The Curriculum Council accepts the Department of Microbiology's Action Plan and commends their thorough and thoughtful response to the review. The following comments are intended to further support the plan.

- (1) Microbiology has comprehensively addressed the recommendations of the review team.
- (2) Microbiology has clearly identified actions that can be undertaken at the departmental level as well as identifying actions that require support at the college level. They have realistically designated short, medium, and longer term actions.
- (3) The Curriculum Council is concerned that the Department of Microbiology is not receiving the support it needs to maintain the current level of excellence in the undergraduate programs in Microbiology. The large influx of undergraduate majors in BioHealth Sciences that is now administered by Microbiology puts further pressure on an already stretched Department. To maintain the quality of the existing Microbiology undergraduate program and meet the needs of the BioHealth Science students, we encourage the allocation of resources sufficient to support excellence in both programs.