



# ACADEMIC SENATE

## CSU BAKERSFIELD

### Discontinuation of Agricultural Business Concentration in BS in Business Administration Degree

**RES 242502**

AAC

**RESOLVED:** That the Agricultural Business Concentration in the BS in Business Administration (BSBA) Degree be discontinued.

**RESOLVED:** That all policies for program discontinuation be observed including providing a means for all currently active students to finish their plan of study.

**RATIONALE:** The Agricultural Business (AGBS) Concentration in the BSBA degree is no longer needed since students can now receive a degree in the AGBS major. Students in the BSBA program still have eleven other concentrations from which to choose. In addition, the AGBS Concentration has had low student demand since the AGBS major was introduced.

**Attachments:**

Proposal to discontinue AGBS Concentration in BSBA\_24-25 AY Referral  
Changes-To-Degree-Form-remove concentration AGBS-signed

**Distribution List:**

President  
Provost and VP for Academic Affairs  
AVP Academic Affairs and Dean of Academic Programs  
BPA College Dean  
General Faculty

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Approved by the Academic Senate: September 26, 2024

Sent to the President: October 4, 2024

President Approved: October 10, 2024

**Academic Senate**

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## CHANGES TO PROGRAM FORM

Form Number

**Reset Form**

### PROPOSAL ACTION (Select One)

**EFFECTIVE CATALOG YEAR: FALL**

**PROGRAM REVISION**    **PROGRAM CANCELLATION**  
 **PROGRAM PLACED IN MORATORIUM**    **ADD CONCENTRATION**    **ADD EMPHASIS**  
 **ADD OPTION**    **ADD MINOR**

### PROGRAM OR SCHOOL & DEPARTMENT *(Required)*

**School/Program:** BPA

**Department:** Economics

**Proposed by:** John Deal

### RATIONALE FOR DEGREE PROPOSAL *(Required)*:

**Provide Rationale for Degree Proposal:**

Request is to remove the AGBS concentration within the BSBA degree. There already exists a BS degree in AGBS. This move will remove that redundancy. The AGBS concentration in BSBA was offered in 2012, before the BS in AGBS was developed, hence there is no longer a need for it.

### DEGREE INFORMATION (MAJOR, CONCENTRATION/EMPHASIS/OPTION/MINOR)

**Degree Title:**

BS Business Administration with a concentration in Agricultural Business

### REVISIONS TO CURRENT DEGREE DESCRIPTION AND REQUIREMENTS

**Degree Description** *(Attach catalog copy; Use Strikethrough and Underline MS Word Actions To Delete Text Or Add/Revise Details OR attach catalog copy with revisions):*

Attached

## ADDING AN OPTION, CONCENTRATION OR SPECIAL EMPHASIS (ATTACH APPROPRIATE DOCUMENTS):

Per [EO 1071](#), before any option, concentration, or special emphasis (or similar subprogram) approved under this delegation, can be implemented, the campus shall obtain a Chancellor's Office confirmation of compliance with CSU policy and applicable law. Campus notifications shall be submitted to the Department of Academic Programs and Faculty Development ([degrees@calstate.edu](mailto:degrees@calstate.edu)). The following information must be submitted:

- The exact title of the new subprogram and the complete degree designation and title of the major degree program housing the new subprogram (e.g., Bachelor of Science in Biology with a Concentration in Biochemistry);
- A list of courses and required units constituting that new subprogram;
- Total units required to complete the entire degree, including the combination of subprogram and major program;
- The complete list of courses and required units constituting the major degree program as approved by the Chancellor's Office;
- A 4-year major-and-subprogram roadmap for freshmen and a 2-year major-and-subprogram roadmap for transfer students;
- The CSU degree program code (formerly called "HEGIS") that students use to apply to the major degree program;
- The campus-proposed CSU degree program code to be used to report enrollments in the concentration (may be the same as the degree code);
- A detailed cost-recovery budget for self-support subprograms to be offered within state-support major degree programs; and
- Documentation of all campus-required curricular approvals.

## ADDING A MINOR

Provide the Program Description and Minor Requirements:

## IMPACT OF DEGREE PROPOSAL ON OTHER PROGRAMS OR DEPARTMENTS

What Is the Impact of This Degree Proposal on Course Offerings from Other Department(S) Or Programs?

Please Include Supporting Emails with This Proposal:

No impact.

## IMPACT OF DEGREE PROPOSAL ON COURSE(S)

List All the New and Revised Courses Required for This Degree Proposal (If Applicable):

**Attach/Submit All the Course Proposal Forms and Catalog Copy Together with This Form for Curricular Review and Approval**

N/A

## NEXT STEPS

- Attach Course Proposal Form(s) to This Proposal (If Applicable)
- Attach Catalog Copy w/ revisions (using track changes) to This Proposal
- Attach Appropriate Documents if Adding an Option, Concentration or Special Emphasis
- Attach Revised Academic Roadmap
- Submit to Department/Program Curriculum Committee for Review & Approval
- Department Submits to School/Program Curriculum Committee for Review & Approval
- School/Program Curriculum Committee Submits Related Forms to GECCo (If Applicable)
- Chancellor's Office (CO) Notification for Implementation of Option, Concentration or Special Emphasis
- If No Additional Approvals Are Required, School/Program Curriculum Committee Submits to Academic Operations After Final Approvals Have Been Recorded. [See Annual Catalog & Curriculum Deadlines Dates](#)

### SCHOOL/PROGRAM COMMITTEE & OTHER APPROVALS:

Department Chair/Program Director:	 <small>John Deal</small> Richard Gearhart (Mar 21, 2024 16:49 PDT)	Date: 2/13/24
School/Program Curriculum Committee Chair:	 <small>Roseanne Choi (Mar 22, 2024 11:03 PDT)</small> BSBA Committee Chair	 <small>Jing Wang</small> ARCC Committee Chair
Dean of School:	 <small>Deborah Cours (Apr 9, 2024 11:05 PDT)</small>	Date: Apr 9, 2024
Director of GE:		Date:
CO Notification for Implementation of Option, Concentration or Special Emphasis:		Date:
CO Confirmation of Compliance for Options, Concentration or Special Emphasis:		Date:
President's Approval for Minor:		Date:
WSCUC Approval:		Date:
Director of Academic Operations:		Date:

### ACADEMIC OPERATIONS USE ONLY:

Effective Term:	Catalog Year:
CIP Code:	HEGIS Code:
Program Code:	Plan Code:
SubPlan Code:	



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**2024-2025 REFERRAL #02**  
**Proposal to Discontinue AGBS Concentration in BSBA**

**From:** Melissa Danforth, Academic Senate Chair

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Melissa Danforth".

**To:** John Deal, Academic Affairs Committee (AAC) Chair

**Date:** September 3, 2024

**cc:** Katherine Van Grinsven, Academic Senate Administrative Analyst

At their meeting on August 27, 2024, the Academic Senate Executive Committee requested that the Academic Affairs Committee (AAC) review and address the proposal submitted by the Department of Economics to discontinue the Agricultural Business Concentration in the BS in Business Administration Program.

During your discussion, please consider:

- rationale as presented in the attached proposal
- impact on any students in the program.

Please take up this matter with your committee and get back to me with your recommendation. If your recommendation requires Senate action, please prepare a resolution and the rationale for the resolution.

Thank you.

Attachments:

- (1) RE\_Proposal to discontinue AGBS Concentration in BSBA\_24-25 AY Referral
- (2) Changes-To-Degree-Form-remove concentration AGBS-signed

**DR. MELISSA DANFORTH, CHAIR, ACADEMIC SENATE**

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Topic: Proposal to Discontinue AGBS Concentration in BSBA

**From:** [Aaron Hegde](#)  
**To:** [Debra Jackson](#)  
**Cc:** [Katherine Van Grinsven](#); [Deisy Mascarinas](#); [Melissa Danforth](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Proposal to discontinue AGBS Concentration in BSBA  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2024 5:31:49 PM

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Thanks, Dr. Jackson.

Since the current academic senate will not be able to get to this, I have copied the incoming chair, Dr. Danforth on this email and am hoping she will put it in the queue for the next senate.

Thanks,

Aaron

**DR. S. AARON HEGDE, PHD**

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Professor, Economics  
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**From:** Debra Jackson <[djackson9@csub.edu](mailto:djackson9@csub.edu)>

**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2024 at 10:23 AM

**To:** Aaron Hegde <[shegde@csub.edu](mailto:shegde@csub.edu)>

**Cc:** Katherine Van Grinsven <[kvan-grinsven@csub.edu](mailto:kvan-grinsven@csub.edu)>, Deisy Mascarinas <[dmascarinas@csub.edu](mailto:dmascarinas@csub.edu)>

**Subject:** Proposal to discontinue AGBS Concentration in BSBA

Dear Chair Hegde,

The faculty in the Department of Economics have proposed to discontinue the Agricultural Business concentration in the BS in Business Administration program. This proposal was approved by the BSBA Curriculum Committee and the Dean of Business and Public Administration on April 8, 2024. With the consent of Interim Provost James Rodriguez on April 22, 2024, I am forwarding this

proposal for Academic Senate review and approval.

Best to you,  
Debra

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**DEBRA L. JACKSON, Ph.D.**

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