

# FACULTY COUNCIL Tuesday, December 19th, 2023 Microsoft Teams Meeting (Online) 4:15 PM – 6:15 PM

# AGENDA

- 1. Additions/Approval of Agenda
- 2. Approval of Minutes from November 21, 2023
- 3. Business Arising from the Minutes
  - No business arising
- 4. Reports
  - a) Chair's Report (Allyson Rozell)
  - b) Dean's Report (Brett Favaro)
  - c) Senate Reports
    - i) Senate (Fergal Callaghan)
    - ii) Standing Committee on Program Review (Fergal Callaghan)
    - iii) Standing Committee on University Budget (Fergal Callaghan)
    - iv) Standing Committee on Academic Planning and Priorities (Allyson Rozell)
    - v) Standing Committee on Curriculum (Brett Favaro)
    - vi) Standing Committee on Research (Brett Favaro)
    - vii) Standing Committee on Teaching and Learning (Catherine Chow)
    - viii) Standing Committee on Policy (Allyson Rozell)
  - d) FSH Committee Reports
    - i) Curriculum (Brett Favaro)
      - Program Change Proposal: Bachelor of Science Major in Biology (Layne Myhre)
      - Program Change Proposal: Bachelor of Applied Science in Sustainable Agriculture (Rebecca Harbut)
    - ii) Academic Planning and Priorities (Allyson Rozell)
    - iii) Nominations and Governance (Allyson Rozell)
    - iv) Research (No representative)
    - v) New Business

#### Date of Next meeting January 16, 2024



# FACULTY COUNCIL

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## **Meeting Minutes**

#### Attendees:

Brett Favaro; Dean Jeff Dyck; Assoc. Dean Erika Eliason; Assoc. Dean Ashley Schneider; Recording Allyson Rozell; Chair Alex Lyon **Catherine Chow** Casey McConill Christina Iggulden **Christian Lange** Fergal Callaghan Korri Thorlacius Laura Bryce Nicole Tunbridge Melissa Drury **Michael Adams** Muskandeep Kaur Nadia Henwood Samaneh Ghanzafari Hashemi Tyron Tsui

#### **Regrets:**

Alan Davis Cameron Lait Lana Mihell; *DBM* Mike Coombes; *Vice-Chair* Asiyeh Sanaei Leah DeBella Martina Solano Bielen Mary Hosseinyazdi Michael Kiraly Sepideh Tahriri Adabi Tanya Boboricken Xavier Ardez



## 1. Approval of the Agenda of November 21, 2023

The agenda was approved as distributed.

#### 2. Approval of the Faculty Council Minutes of October 17, 2023

The minutes were approved as distributed.

#### 3. Business Arising:

• Chair's Update regarding request to amend the Faculty of Art's Double Minor Degree: memo should be sent to Faculty of Arts this week following further discussion.

#### 4. Reports:

- a. Chair's Report:
  - The name of the Faculty has officially changed to "Faculty of Science"

#### b. Dean's Report:

- Name change is in effect immediately, but various steps could take until September 2025 to be fully enacted. The steps that will take the longest have to do with technical changes like the website or the University calendar with the registrar.
- Reminder that it is very important we do not advise students against progressing through their program, as even though a program may change in the future it still has to make it through a series of approval steps, and there are transition plans in place for students currently in the program.

Please refer students to our advisors for program progression questions.

- The structure of Ed Planning has changed this year. We will be mapping out a yearly plan based on past course offerings. Chairs will be reaching out to their departments to discuss any changes.
- Roberts Rules of Order In Brief 3<sup>rd</sup> edition
   Everyone that participates on Faculty Council, or a subcommittee, or as a department chair, will receive a copy of this book. It serves as a handbook for how to use Robert's rules and run meetings like this. We would like to make sure everyone has the support and instructions to feel confident in these meetings.
- Kwantlen Science Challenge was a huge success. Thank you to all who contributed! We want to make sure we are supporting the best we can, so please give us any feedback you have. We want to see lots more of these kinds of successes.

#### c. Senate Reports:

#### Senate, October meeting:

- As part of the initiative to provide increased recognition for prior learning, Senate passed a motion that will allow students who have completed a KPU Trades and Technology program (including two programs in the School of Horticulture) to "receive credit as Recognized Prior Learning when they are admitted to an Undergraduate level credential at KPU".
- Senate approved Richard Popoff's nomination to represent our Faculty on the Senate Standing Committee on Curriculum and Allyson Rozell's nomination to the Senate Executive Committee.
- Senate approved the academic schedules for 2024/25, 25/26, and 26/27. The Spring terms will include two non-instructional days in January for new student orientation. The 25/26 and 26/27 schedules can be revisited next year and amended if necessary.



#### Senate, November meeting:

- The Program Concepts and Full Proposals for two new proposed programs were approved: Citation in Could Architecture and Security, and Diploma in Front-End Development for Interactive Applications.
- Budget updates by Kristine Kidd (Interim Director, Financial Operations)
  - Update on this year's budget: A report (called a "variance report") on the university's finances for this fiscal year up to August 31<sup>st</sup> was presented. Not counting revenue from the sale of land, so far this year we are running a surplus compared to what was expected. This is mostly due to underspending in some areas of the budget (salaries in particular) and higher than expected interest rates for our investments. Discussions with the Ministry are underway regarding if or how an end-of-year surplus could be used.
  - Update on development of 2024/25 budget: Due to an expected increase in expenses, the ongoing budget is expected to be \$5.9M less than it is this year. Though there is expected to be an increase in the one-time-only budget of \$15M (mostly due to reduction of salary expenses and increases in investment income). So, the net additional budget that will be available is \$9.1M for one-time-only expenses. The university executive met last week to discuss the budget requests that have been received.
- A preliminary proposal for the establishment of a Faculty of Graduate Studies was presented by Dr David Burns. Senate voted in favour of further consideration of the proposal. A Task Force headed by the Provost or designate(s) will be formed to carry out consultations leading to a full written proposal that will be submitted to Senate and the Board in April.
- Senate voted to rename KPU's 'White Paper on Research and Scholarship' to the 'KPU Research Advancement Strategy'.
- After the meeting, President Davis gave a presentation entitled "Towards a Global Education Strategy at KPU". It summarized the work done so far by a KPU Global Task Force (established 2022) and outlined next steps."
  - Senate Standing Committee on Program Review (SSCPR):
    - The Brewing and Brewery Operations Quality Assurance Plan was approved by the committee.
  - Senate Standing Committee on University Budget (SSCUB):
    - Updates on the current fiscal year and on the development of next year's budget were presented (see notes from November Senate meeting above).
  - Senate Standing Committee on Academic Planning and Priorities (SSCAPP):
    - Coming forward at the next meeting: Program Discontinuance: Diploma in Applied Business Technology Curricular Action Plan for Generative Artificial Intelligence
  - Senate Standing Committee on Curriculum (SSCC):
    - Procedurally: there was a regular SSCC meeting and special SSCC meeting called on the 8<sup>th</sup> to cover missing course outlines.



## • Senate Standing Committee on Research (SSCR):

 Voted to rename KPU's 'White Paper on Research and Scholarship' to the 'KPU Research Advancement Strategy'. This is a much more inclusive name based on the exclusionary history of the name "White Paper"

### • Senate Standing Committee on Teaching and Learning (SSCTL):

- Received reports from various departments:
- Teaching and Learning Commons newsletter is out
- The Learning Centre is reporting an increase in registration for their study skills workshops for students a good reminder for faculty that they offer these
- Academic Integrity Unit reported their new position Academic Integrity Liaison Also highlighted student liaisons and the new use of 'Turn It In' draft coach

#### • Senate Standing Committee on Policy (SSCP):

 Initial proposal for Graduate Studies:
 Link to post on draft Policy AC5: <u>https://wordpress.kpu.ca/policyconsult/?p=502</u>
 Link to post on omnibus policy revision: <u>https://wordpress.kpu.ca/policyconsult/?p=506</u>

#### d. Committee Reports

#### • Curriculum Committee:

 $\circ$  Orientation to CIM (Course Leaf) software was hosted for this committee

#### • Academic Planning and Priorities:

- Diploma in Brewing and Brewery Operation plans to temporarily suspend the portfolio from the admission requirements.
- Hiatus of the Urban Ecosystems Program:
  - Suspension of this program has been ongoing and the program review is currently underway. This suspension gives clarity to the status of the program and a deadline for having the review done.

**MOTION**: The Bachelor of Horticulture Science, Major in Urban Ecosystems program be suspended from January 2024 to Aug 2025.

Moved: Nicole Tunbridge Seconded: Korri Thorlacius; Motion Carried.

• Research:

-Whereas there is approximately \$3M of unspent funds that accumulated during the pandemic; and

- Whereas these monies are part of the value of the Collective Agreement and are owed to faculty; and

- Whereas there is an established process in place as per the 0.6% PD fund for the distribution of monies,

- Then be it resolved that the Faculty Council for Science and Horticulture supports the proposal made by the KFA for a Research and Scholarly Activity Fund pilot.

**MOTION:** THAT Faculty of Science Faculty Council support the proposal made by the KFA for a Research and Scholarly Activity Fund Pilot



Moved: Korri Thorlacius Seconded: Melissa Drury; Motion Carried.

- Nominations and Governance: • Nothing to report.
- 5. New Business:
  - Nothing arising.

## Meeting adjourned by Chair at 4:58 PM

Date of next Faculty Council: December 19, 2023

# **New Course Proposal**

# Changes saved but not submitted

# Viewing: BIOL 3150 : Evolutionary Biology

# Last edit: Wed, 26 Jul 2023 17:48:25 GMT

Academic Level Undergraduate (UG)

**Faculty** Science & Horticulture

**Department** Biology

Implementation Date Fall 2024

Subject Code BIOL - Biology

Course Number 3150

**Descriptive Title** Evolutionary Biology

Short Title Evolutionary Biology

## **Calendar Description**

Students will examine key concepts and processes in evolutionary biology including microevolution, macroevolution, phylogenetics, population genetics, genome evolution, natural selection, sexual selection, adaptation, speciation, extinction, biodiversity, and evolution of development. They will further investigate evolutionary themes by completing laboratory activities, analyzing the results, and critically analyzing written and graphical material from scientific literature. Students will learn about the relevance of evolutionary biology to modern society by examining research into a range of contemporary topics such as the evolution of disease and the application of evolutionary theory to conservation.

#### Suggested Credit Hours

0-4 **Credits** 4 Suggested Classroom Hours Lecture Hours 4 Suggested Lab Hours 0-3 Lab Hours 0 Suggested Other Hours (Clinical, Practicum, etc) Other Hours 0

Suggested Contact Hours 0-7 Contact Hours 4

Is this course repeatable for additional credit? No

**Cross-listed Courses** 

**Equivalent Courses** 

**Credit-exclusion Courses** 

**Optional Calendar Description Note** 

Prerequisites BIOL 2320 and BIOL 2322

Corequisites

### Schedule Types

Schedule Type

Class/Lab

Schedule Type

**Course Attributes** 

Pathway to Undergraduate Studies

**Degree Requirement Attributes** Quantitative

## **Suggested Registration Restrictions**

## **Course Registration Restrictions**

## **Course Learning Outcomes**

	A student who successfully completes the course will have reliably demonstrated the ability to:
1	Evaluate principles of evolutionary theory and incorporate them appropriately in discussions and assessments
2	Describe scientific evidence that supports evolution
3	Apply concepts of evolutionary theory to address biological problems
4	Use relevant research tools and applications to conduct simple evolutionary biology analyses
5	Manage and organize class discussions
6	Analyze, interpret, and present results of research on evolutionary biology topics from scientific literature
7	Conduct evolutionary experiments and interpret the results

## Content will include, but is not restricted to, the following:

- Microevolutionary and macroevolutionary evidence for evolution
- Phylogenetic Trees
- Patterns of Variation
- Population Genetics
- Quantitative Genetics
- Adaptation
- Selection
- Molecular Evolution
- Species Concepts
- Speciation
- Evolution of Development
- Life History Evolution
- The Evolution of Social Behavior
- Genome Evolution
- Biodiversity
- Human Evolution
- Evolution and Human Health
- Evolution and Conservation

#### **Course Learning Activities**

Learning activities should be appropriately related to learning outcomes. Activities may include, but are not restricted to, the following: Working in groups to present findings of scientific articles Completing lab activities Writing lab reports Reading, summarizing, and critically evaluating scientific articles Participation in class and lab discussions Participation in computer simulations on evolutionary biology topics Writing exams

Mastery Criteria

## Assessment

Assessment plans comply with KPU policy and may resemble the following:

Add the details about 1 assessment prior to W date, note that an assessment can evaluate multiple LO, ensure that each LO has been evaluated, should have multi modes of assessment (not all exam based for example)

Assessment Type 1 Classroom assignment(s; 15-25%) Type 1 Value 15

Assessment Type 2 Midterm exam(s; 15-25%) Type 2 Value 25

Assessment Type 3 Laboratory assessments (20-40%) Type 3 Value 30

Assessment Type 4 Final exam Type 4 Value 30

Assessment Type 5

Type 5 Value

Assessment Type 6

Type 6 Value

Assessment Type 7

Type 7 Value

**TOTAL** 100

**Additional Notes** 

Attach Learning contribution rubric

**Grading System - default** Letter Grades (N)

Alternate Grading System(s) - not default

Methods for Prior Learning Assessment

**Required Learning Resources** Herron, J.C. and Freeman, S. Evolutionary Analysis. Pearson. Latest Edition

**Recommended Learning Resources** 

**Other Course Materials** 

**Open Educational Resources (OER)** 

Eligible for Zero Textbook Cost (ZTC)? No

**Does this course require the use of animals?** No

Do library resources in this area need more development? No If yes, then list details

Is this course externally accredited? No

## Request for Quantitative Course Attribute

Please summarize the course content and the rationale behind the QUAN attribute request.

## Select which Quantitative Criteria this course meets (include at least 2).

A. Developing quantitative measures of physical, behavioural, social, or economical phenomena.

B. Using forecasting models to express causal relationships and to explore the implications of changed assumptions or proposed solutions to problems.

C. Using numerical data from archives, surveys, lab experiments, or other sources; and summarizing and interpreting them in meaningful and descriptive ways to reach conclusions and/or draw inferences.

D. Testing hypotheses through statistical analysis.

## Describe how this course meets Quantitative Criterion A.

The students will be enumerating and performing calculations on allele frequencies, and how they can change over time. They also will be collecting quantitative date during lab activities.

## Describe how this course meets Quantitative Criterion B.

The students will be adjusting parameters in allele frequency models/equations and examining and interpreting the changes the results.

## Describe how this course meets Quantitative Criterion C.

Students will be analyzing data from other researchers and their own results from laboratory exercises. They will also be interpreting the results of these analyses.

## Describe how this course meets Quantitative Criterion D.

The students will be performing statistics on the data they gather in their laboratory exercises to test their hypotheses.

**Attach Supporting Documents** 

Course Developer(s) Carson Keever

Course Reviser(s)

Megan Marcotte

Date for Next Review 9/1/2028

# **Reviewer Comments**

Key: 6910
Select any proposals you would like to bundle together for approval. Only proposals you have saved are available to bundle.
Bundle Title:
Course:
Proposal A
Program:
Proposal B



Program Change Proposal (Degree) Bachelor of Science (Honours), Major in Biology with Cooperative Education Option

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KPU Program Change Form

For degree or non-degree program changes that may be deemed substantive by the Ministry of Advanced Education, Skills & Training's website, please consult with the Provost's Office before completing this document. For degree program changes that may be deemed substantive, the Ministry's <u>Determination of New Degree Template</u> must be completed and approved by Senate prior to submission to the Ministry for determination. Contact the Provost's Office for assistance in completing this template.

This form is to be used for:

- minor changes to any Senate-approved degree and non-degree programs at KPU
- addition of Honours designation to a Major program currently offered at KPU
- creation of a Minor degree for which a cognate Major program is currently offered at KPU

For more information on how to complete this form, please contact the Chair of the Senate Standing Committee on Curriculum (SSCC).

The Program Change Proposal should be submitted to <u>Senate@kpu.ca</u> by the submission deadline posted on the <u>Senate Standing Committee on Curriculum (SSCC) website</u> meeting along with any new, revised, or discontinued course outlines associated with the proposal submitted on the Consent Agenda for the same meeting. Faculties must have already formally approved the associated course outlines.

#### **PROGRAM DETAILS**

Faculty:	Science and Horticulture
Program Name:	Bachelor of Science (Honours), Major in Biology with Co-operative
	Education Option
Department:	Biology
Effective date:	September 1, 2024
	Notes: If you are requesting a change to <b>admission</b> requirements, Senate approval is required by September meeting of Senate of the preceding academic year (prior to the first application cycle for the academic year). If you are requesting a change to <b>declaration or curricular</b> requirements, approval is required no later than the April meeting of Senate of the preceding academic year.
Dean/Associate Dean:	Brett Favaro, Jeff Dyck
Chair/Coordinator:	Layne Myhre, Nicole Tunbridge
Submission Date:	Oct 19, 2023

#### CONSULTATIONS

Consultations	Person Consulted	Consultation Date
Office of the Provost:	David Burns	July 5, 2023; Sept 13, 2023
Vice Chair of Senate:	Amy Jeon, Catherine	June 9, 2023; Sept 11, 2023
	Schwichtenberg	
Other(s)* (if applicable):	Stephanie Howes, Dean of Business	s, Oct 19, 2023

\*For more complex consultations, please attach the Curriculum Consultation Forms. If you have any inquiries regarding the completion of the above Consultations section or the Curriculum Consultation Forms, please contact the Chair of the Senate Standing Committee on Curriculum.

#### OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR PROPOSAL REVIEW

Review of Completed Program Change Proposal	Review Submission Date
Send to OREGCurrConsult@kpu.ca for review**	Sept 11, 2023

\*\*Allow 2 weeks for the Office of the Registrar's proposal review (in advance of the SSCC submission deadline). If the proposed changes introduce new courses, submit 2 weeks in advance of your Faculty's curriculum committee meeting.

#### APPROVALS

	Proposal Approval Date
Faculty Curriculum Committee:	ТВА
Faculty Council (if required):	ТВА
SSC on Curriculum:	ТВА
SSC on University Budget (if required):	n/a
SSC on Academic Planning and Priorities (if required):	n/a
Senate:	n/a

Overview of Proposed Change(s):	1.	In compliance with our approved QA plan, to implement changes to our program requirements intended to streamline program progression for students and permit more choices in satisfying curricular requirements, as well as bringing our programs more in line with similar programming at other post- secondary institutions.
	2.	Reduce credit totals by removing some electives but increasing choices in discipline-relevant areas.
	3.	Introduction of a new Co-operative Education Option program for the Bachelor of Science, Major in Biology and Bachelor of Science (Honours), Major in Biology degree programs.
Rationale:	1.	The approved Biology Program Review Self-Study indicated a need for removing bottlenecks from the Biology programs, which were highly prescriptive, to a degree that is unusual for a Bachelor's program in Biology. As indicated in the approved QA Plan arising from the Review, the Biology Department held a Program Curricular Retreat on June 7 <sup>th</sup> to redesign the curricular requirements of the two Biology Programs to improve student progression while still supporting our established Program Learning Outcomes.

2. As indicated in	n the approved QA Plan, we have reduced the
credit totals o	f our programs by 6 credits, by reducing
extraneous ele	ectives beyond the required Breadth Electives but
maintaining st	tudent flexibility by retaining choice in discipline-
relevant areas	s.
<ol> <li>Developing a G</li></ol>	Co-operative Education Option within our degree
programs aros	se as a recommendation from the BIOL program
review. Having	g a Co-operative Education Option program gives
students an op	pportunity to apply skills gained during their
academic stud	dy to industry and government job settings. This is
in keeping wit	the Polytechnic mandate and greatly improves
student emplo	oyability and job-readiness. Given the strong ties
between the E	Biology department and local industry through
various resear	rch partnerships, it is an obvious way to allow
students takin	ng our programs to capitalize on work experiences,
both in- and o	putside the classroom. Moreover, the original
Program Prop	losal for the Biology degree included the Co-op
option, so this	s change is in keeping with the original ministry-
approved prop	posal.
URL(s): https://calendar.kpu.c	ca/programs-az/science-
horticulture/biology/b	piology-bs/

Impact on	Check all that apply:
Students:	☐ The changes alter the admission, declaration or continuance
	requirements
	If yes, provide both the current calendar entry and new calendar entry in full. (see below)
	M The changes after the curricular requirements
	full. (see below)
	The changes change the total number of required and its
	I ne changes change the total number of required credits
	If yes, state the current number of total credits: 140
	and <b>proposed</b> number of total credits: <b>134</b>
	The changes introduce new revised or discontinued sources
	In the changes introduce new, revised of discontinued courses
	If yes, indicate the Faculty approval date and list the courses below.
	Discontinue BIOL 4150 (three credit), replaced with BIOL 5150 (four credit
	I The changes alter the credential awarded
	If ves indicate the proposed credential
	Bachelor of Science (Honours) Major in Biology with Co-operative
	Education Option

Transition Plan	Current students will be able to complete the previous version of the program, and we propose to develop the BIOL 3150 Evolutionary Biology course to be offered in 2024/2025, followed by discontinuance of the BIOL 4150 Evolutionary Biology course after one year, and use the Course Substitution form to allow a direct substitution for any student using the previous version after that point. All other previously required courses will continue to be offered regularly to ensure student progression until at least 2 years after the program change.

#### Curriculum Map<sup>1</sup>

See Appendix A for full Curriculum Map.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Introduced [I]: Course learning outcomes that concentrate on knowledge or skills related to the program outcomes at a basic level or skills at an entry-level of complexity. Developing [D]: Course level outcomes that demonstrate learning at an increasing level of proficiency of the program level outcome as well expanding complexity. Advanced [A]: Course level outcomes that demonstrate learning related to the program level outcome with an increasing level of independence, expertise and sophistication or integrate the use of content or skills in multiple levels of complexity.

Current Requirements with Proposed Changes Cut and paste the relevant section(s) in full from the current Calendar website. Use track changes to show the proposed changes. For a new Minor degree for which a cognate Major program is currently offered at KPU, insert the following text below "This is a new Minor degree program for which a cognate Major degree program already exists at KPU. There is no existing curriculum for the minor, and as per Policy AC11 there is no requirement for a Concept Paper or FPP."	<b>New Requirements</b> <i>Provide a clean copy to show how the new Calendar entry will appear. List courses in alpha/numeric order.</i>	
Admission Requirements	Admission Requirements	
The Faculty's Admission Requirements, which consist of KPU's <u>undergraduate English Proficiency Requirement</u> , apply to this program.	The Faculty's Admission Requirements, which consist of KPU's <u>undergraduate English Proficiency Requirement</u> , apply to this program.	
Declaration Requirements	Declaration Requirements	
Students intending to graduate with this Faculty of Science and Horticulture degree must declare the credential by the time they complete 60 credits of undergraduate coursework. At the time of declaration, the student must satisfy all of the following requirements:	Students intending to graduate with this Faculty of Science and Horticulture degree must declare the credential by the time they complete 60 credits of undergraduate coursework. At the time of declaration, the student must satisfy all of the following requirements:	
In good academic standing with the University Completion of a minimum of 24 credits of undergraduate coursework, including the following:	In good academic standing with the University Completion of a minimum of 24 credits of undergraduate coursework, including the following:	
<ul> <li>3 credits of ENGL at the 1100 level or higher</li> <li><u>BIOL 1110</u> with a minimum grade of "C"</li> <li><u>BIOL 1210</u> with a minimum grade of "C"</li> <li><u>CHEM 1110</u> with a minimum grade of "B" or <u>CHEM 1210</u> with a minimum grade of "C"</li> <li><u>MATH 1120</u> with a minimum grade of "C" or <u>MATH 1130</u> with a minimum grade of "C"</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>3 credits of ENGL at the 1100 level or higher</li> <li><u>BIOL 1110</u> with a minimum grade of "C"</li> <li><u>BIOL 1210</u> with a minimum grade of "C"</li> <li><u>CHEM 1110</u> with a minimum grade of "B" or <u>CHEM 1210</u> with a minimum grade of "C"</li> <li><u>MATH 1120</u> with a minimum grade of "C" or <u>MATH 1130</u> with a minimum grade of "C"</li> </ul>	

KPU Program Change Form

• <u>PHYS 1101</u> with a minimum grade of "C" or <u>PHYS 1120</u> with a minimum grade of "C"

#### **Curricular Requirements**

All students must meet the following minimum requirements:

- In addition to ENGL 1100, complete 3 credits from courses designated as Writing Intensive.
- 120 credits from courses at the 1100 level or higher.
- 45 credits from courses at the 3000 level or higher, including 9 credits at the 4000 level.
- 18 credits of breadth electives (see Electives below) including at least 3 credits from a course at the 3000 level or higher. These must include:
  - at least 12 credits from courses that are offered outside the Faculty of Science & Horticulture; and
  - up to 6 credits from courses offered within the Faculty of Science & Horticulture other than BIOL, CHEM, MATH, and PHYS.
- Cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher.
- At least 50% of all courses for the BSc, and at least 66% of upper-level courses for the BSc, must be completed at KPU.

Enrolment in the Biology Honours program requires the permission of the Biology Department. In order to be considered for the Honours program, students must typically have a record of exceptional academic performance, including a minimum Grade Point Average of 3.0 PHYS 1101 with a minimum grade of "C" or PHYS 1120 with a minimum grade of "C"

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Year 1			.   !	Year 1			
BIOL 1110	Introductory Biology I	4		BIOL 1110	Introductory Biology I	4	
BIOL 1210	Introductory Biology II	4		BIOL 1210	Introductory Biology II	4	
<u>CHEM 1110</u>	The Structure of Matter	4		<u>CHEM 1110</u>	The Structure of Matter	4	
<u>CHEM 1210</u>	Chemical Energetics and Dynamics	4		<u>CHEM 1210</u>	Chemical Energetics and Dynamics	4	
ENGL 1100	Introduction to University Writing	3		<u>ENGL 1100</u>	Introduction to University Writing	3	
<u>MATH 1130</u>	Calculus for Life Sciences I <sup>1</sup>	3		<u>MATH 1130</u>	Calculus for Life Sciences I <sup>1</sup>	3	
<u>MATH 1230</u>	Calculus for Life Sciences II	3		<u>MATH 1230</u>	Calculus for Life Sciences II	3	
<u>PHYS 1101</u>	Physics for Life Sciences I	4		<u>PHYS 1101</u>	Physics for Life Sciences I	4	
<u>PHYS 1102</u>	Physics for Life Sciences II	4		<u>PHYS 1102</u>	Physics for Life Sciences II	4	
Select three credits of ENGL at the undergraduate level			1	Select three credits of ENGL at the undergraduate level			
Credits		36	Credits 3				
Year 2			,   <sup> </sup>	Year 2			
BIOL 2320	Genetics	4		BIOL 2320	Genetics	4	

BIOL 2321	Cell Biology	4	BIC	<u>OL 2321</u>	Cell Biology	4
BIOL 2322	Ecology	4	BIC	<u>OL 2322</u>	Ecology	4
BIOL 2421	Cellular Biochemistry	3	<u>BI(</u>	<u>OL 2421</u>	Cellular Biochemistry	3
<u>CHEM 2320</u>	Organic Chemistry I	4	<u>СН</u>	HEM 2320	Organic Chemistry I	4
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BIOL 3330         Microbiology II           Human Neural, Excretory and Endocrine         Systems	4 4 3	<b>Co-op Course Requirements</b> The Co-operative Education designation requires successful	
BIOL 4260     Human Genetics       BIOL 4320     Analytical Chemistry	4	Required       COOP 1101     Introduction to Professional and Career     1       Readiness     1	

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CHEM 2315	Physical Chemistry	4	COOP 1150 Co-op Work Semester 1 9		
<u>CHEM 3310</u>	Introduction to Computer Literacy	3			
CPSC 1100	Post University Transition	3	COOP 2150 Co-op Work Semester 2		
EDUC-4100	Environmental Toxicology	3	COOP 3150Co-op Work Semester 39		
			Optional		
ENVI 2305	Environmental Legislation	3	COOP 4150 Co-op Work Semester 4		
ENVI 2405	Environment and Society	3	Credits 28		
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Additional Requirements In addition to the requirements stated above, all Co-op students must satisfy the General Co-operative Education Requirements. Credential Awarded Upon successful completion of this program, students are eligible to receive a Bachelor of Science (Honours), Major in Biology, Co-		Formatted: Font: Not Bold

List any	List any new, revised or discontinued courses associated with this program change				
Course	Course	Descriptive Title,	New,		
Subject	Number	hyperlinked to course outline	Revised, or		
Code			Discontinued		
BIOL	4150	Evolutionary Biology	To be		
			Discontinued		
BIOL	3150	Evolutionary Biology	New		

## 2. Curriculum Consultations

Please consult with the Office of the Provost as additional consultations may be required depending on the scope of the proposed program changes.

For consultees, please consider the following questions when providing your feedback to the Proponent:

- Does your department/unit support the proposed curriculum? Provide rationale for support/non-support.
- How does the proposed curriculum impact your department/unit?
- How does the proposed curriculum impact your program?
- Is there potential for curricular overlap with current offerings?

Name	Department, Program and/or Faculty	Comments	Date Consulted	
Jennifer O'Brien	Office of the Provost (oPro)		04 July 2023	
Virginia Vandenberg	Office of the Provost (oPro)		10 July 2023	

Note: No consultations in addition to those listed on page 2 were requested.

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## 3. Financial Assessment Questions

#### **Financial Assessment Questions**

The following information will help determine whether there is a budgetary impact to the proposed program changes, and what additional information and consultation will be required.

Please note that all additional budgetary requests in support of the proposed program change require approval from the Dean and the Provost, and additional financial documents may be required.

Change in number of credits	Yes⊠ No□ If Yes, please provide details: Total program credits required is reduced (134 down from 140) as recommended by our approved Program Beview
Change in space requirements	Yes No⊠ If Yes, please provide details:
Change in equipment requirements	Yes□ No⊠ If Yes, please provide details:
Change in support requirements	Yes⊠ No□ If Yes, please provide details: Addition of lab to BIOL 3150 will require a laboratory instructor, which may necessitate auxiliary hiring. We have added this budgetary request for the upcoming Fiscal year. If it is not approved, we may be able to absorb this one lab section into existing staff workloads, or switch offerings to accommodate the added lab section.

Please attach any financial document if required.



## Program Change Proposal (Degree)

Bachelor of Science, Major in Biology with Co-operative Education Option

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For degree or non-degree program changes that may be deemed substantive by the Ministry of Advanced Education, Skills & Training's website, please consult with the Provost's Office before completing this document. For degree program changes that may be deemed substantive, the Ministry's <u>Determination of New Degree Template</u> must be completed and approved by Senate prior to submission to the Ministry for determination. Contact the Provost's Office for assistance in completing this template.

This form is to be used for:

- minor changes to any Senate-approved degree and non-degree programs at KPU
- addition of Honours designation to a Major program currently offered at KPU
- creation of a Minor degree for which a cognate Major program is currently offered at KPU

For more information on how to complete this form, please contact the Chair of the Senate Standing Committee on Curriculum (SSCC).

The Program Change Proposal should be submitted to <u>Senate@kpu.ca</u> by the submission deadline posted on the <u>Senate Standing Committee on Curriculum (SSCC) website</u> meeting along with any new, revised, or discontinued course outlines associated with the proposal submitted on the Consent Agenda for the same meeting. Faculties must have already formally approved the associated course outlines.

#### **PROGRAM DETAILS**

Faculty:	Science and Horticulture
Program Name:	Bachelor of Science, Major in Biology with Co-operative Education
	Option
Department:	Biology
Effective date:	September 1, 2024
	Notes: If you are requesting a change to <b>admission</b> requirements, Senate approval is required by September meeting of Senate of the preceding academic year (prior to the first application cycle for the academic year). If you are requesting a change to <b>declaration or curricular</b> requirements, approval is required no later than the April meeting of Senate of the preceding academic year.
Dean/Associate Dean:	Brett Favaro, Jeff Dyck
Chair/Coordinator:	Layne Myhre, Nicole Tunbridge
Submission Date:	Oct 19, 2023

#### CONSULTATIONS

Consultations	Person Consulted	Consultation Date
Office of the Provost:	David Burns	July 5, 2023; Sept 13, 2023
Vice Chair of Senate:	Amy Jeon, Catherine	June 9, 2023; Sept 11, 2023
	Schwichtenberg	
Other(s)* (if applicable):	Stephanie Howes, Dean of Business, Oct 19, 2023	

\*For more complex consultations, please attach the Curriculum Consultation Forms. If you have any inquiries regarding the completion of the above Consultations section or the Curriculum Consultation Forms, please contact the Chair of the Senate Standing Committee on Curriculum.

#### OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR PROPOSAL REVIEW

Review of Completed Program Change Proposal	Review Submission Date
Send to OREGCurrConsult@kpu.ca for review**	Sept 11, 2023

\*\*Allow 2 weeks for the Office of the Registrar's proposal review (in advance of the SSCC submission deadline). If the proposed changes introduce new courses, submit 2 weeks in advance of your Faculty's curriculum committee meeting.

#### APPROVALS

	Proposal Approval Date
Faculty Curriculum Committee:	ТВА
Faculty Council (if required):	ТВА
SSC on Curriculum:	ТВА
SSC on University Budget (if required):	n/a
SSC on Academic Planning and Priorities (if required):	n/a
Senate:	n/a

Overview of Proposed Change(s):	1.	In compliance with our approved QA plan, to implement changes to our program requirements intended to streamline program progression for students and permit more choices in satisfying curricular requirements, as well as bringing our programs more in line with similar programming at other post- secondary institutions.
	2.	Reduce credit totals by removing some electives but increasing choices in discipline-relevant areas.
	3.	Introduction of a new Co-operative Education Option program for the Bachelor of Science, Major in Biology and Bachelor of Science (Honours), Major in Biology degree programs.
Rationale:	1.	The approved Biology Program Review Self-Study indicated a need for removing bottlenecks from the Biology programs, which were highly prescriptive, to a degree that is unusual for a Bachelor's program in Biology. As indicated in the approved QA Plan arising from the Review, the Biology Department held a Program Curricular Retreat on June 7 <sup>th</sup> to redesign the curricular requirements of the two Biology Programs to improve student progression while still supporting our established Program Learning Outcomes.

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	<ol> <li>As indicated in the approved QA Plan, we have reduced the credit totals of our programs by 6 credits, by reducing extraneous electives beyond the required Breadth Electives but maintaining student flexibility by retaining choice in discipline- relevant areas.</li> </ol>
	3. Developing a Co-operative Education Option within our degree programs arose as a recommendation from the BIOL program review. Having a Co-operative Education Option program gives students an opportunity to apply skills gained during their academic study to industry and government job settings. This is in keeping with the Polytechnic mandate and greatly improves student employability and job-readiness. Given the strong ties between the Biology department and local industry through various research partnerships, it is an obvious way to allow students taking our programs to capitalize on work experiences, both in- and outside the Biology degree included the Co-op option, so this change is in keeping with the original ministry-approved proposal.
URL(s):	https://calendar.kpu.ca/programs-az/science-
	nor recurrer c/ biology/ biology-bs/

Impact on	Check all that apply:
Students:	The changes alter the admission, declaration or continuance
	requirements
	If yes, provide both the current calendar entry and new calendar entry in full. (see below)
	⊠ The changes alter the curricular requirements <i>If yes, provide both the current calendar entry and new calendar entry in full.</i> (see below)
	☑ The changes change the total number of required credits If yes, state the current number of total credits: 138 and proposed number of total credits:132
	$\boxtimes$ The changes introduce new, revised or discontinued courses Discontinue BIOL 4150 (three credit), replaced with BIOL 3150 (four credit lab course) and list the courses below.
	☑ The changes alter the credential awarded If yes, indicate the proposed credential: Bachelor of Science, Major in Biology with Co-operative Education Option
Transition Plan	Current students will be able to complete the previous version of the program, and we propose to develop the BIOL 3150 Evolutionary Biology course to be

offered in 2024/2025, followed by discontinuance of the BIOL 4150 Evolutionary
Biology course after one year, and use the Course Substitution form to allow a
direct substitution for any student using the previous version after that point. All
other previously required courses will continue to be offered regularly to ensure
student progression until at least 2 years after the program change.

#### Curriculum Map<sup>1</sup>

See Appendix A for full Curriculum Map.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Introduced [I]: Course learning outcomes that concentrate on knowledge or skills related to the program outcomes at a basic level or skills at an entry-level of complexity. Developing [D]: Course level outcomes that demonstrate learning at an increasing level of proficiency of the program level outcome as well expanding complexity. Advanced [A]: Course level outcomes that demonstrate learning related to the program level outcome with an increasing level of independence, expertise and sophistication or integrate the use of content or skills in multiple levels of complexity.

Current Requirements with Proposed Changes Cut and paste the relevant section(s) in full from the current Calendar website. Use <u>track changes</u> to show the proposed changes. For a new Minor degree for which a cognate Major program is currently offered at KPU, insert the following text below "This is a new Minor degree program for which a cognate Major degree program already exists at KPU. There is no existing curriculum for the minor, and as per Policy AC11 there is no requirement for a Concept Paper or FPP."	<b>New Requirements</b> Provide a clean copy to show how the new Calendar entry will appear. List courses in alpha/numeric order.	
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Declaration Requirements	Declaration Requirements	
Students intending to graduate with this Faculty of Science and Horticulture degree must declare the credential by the time they complete 60 credits of undergraduate coursework. At the time of declaration, the student must satisfy all of the following requirements:	Students intending to graduate with this Faculty of Science and Horticulture degree must declare the credential by the time they complete 60 credits of undergraduate coursework. At the time of declaration, the student must satisfy all of the following requirements:	
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• <u>PHYS 1101</u> with a minimum grade of "C" or <u>PHYS 1120</u> with a minimum grade of "C"

#### **Curricular Requirements**

All students must meet the following minimum requirements:

- In addition to ENGL 1100, complete 3 credits from courses designated as Writing Intensive.
- 120 credits from courses at the 1100 level or higher.
- 45 credits from courses at the 3000 level or higher, including 9 credits at the 4000 level.
- 18 credits of breadth electives (see Electives below) including at least 3 credits from a course at the 3000 level or higher. These must include:
  - at least 12 credits from courses that are offered outside the Faculty of Science & Horticulture; and
  - up to 6 credits from courses offered within the Faculty of Science & Horticulture other than BIOL, CHEM, MATH, and PHYS.
- Cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher.
- At least 50% of all courses for the BSc, and at least 66% of upper-level courses for the BSc, must be completed at KPU.

The Biology Major requires the completion of a minimum of 138-132 credits, including the following specific course requirements.

Note: Some courses are only offered once per year. Please refer to the course timetable and speak with an Academic Advisor when planning.

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  - at least 12 credits from courses that are offered outside the Faculty of Science & Horticulture; and
  - up to 6 credits from courses offered within the Faculty of Science & Horticulture other than BIOL, CHEM, MATH, and PHYS.
- Cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher.
- At least 50% of all courses for the BSc, and at least 66% of upper-level courses for the BSc, must be completed at KPU.

The Biology Major requires the completion of a minimum of 132 credits, including the following specific course requirements.

Note: Some courses are only offered once per year. Please refer to the course timetable and speak with an Academic Advisor when planning.
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BIOL 1110	Introductory Biology I	4		BIOL 1110	Introductory Biology I	4	
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<u>CHEM 1110</u>	The Structure of Matter	4		<u>CHEM 1110</u>	The Structure of Matter	4	
<u>CHEM 1210</u>	Chemical Energetics and Dynamics	4		<u>CHEM 1210</u>	Chemical Energetics and Dynamics	4	
ENGL 1100	Introduction to University Writing	3		ENGL 1100	Introduction to University Writing	3	
<u>MATH 1130</u>	Calculus for Life Sciences I <sup>1</sup>	3		<u>MATH 1130</u>	Calculus for Life Sciences I <sup>1</sup>	3	
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BIOL 2421	Cellular Biochemistry	3		<u>BIOL 2421</u>	Cellular Biochemistry	3	
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			BIOL 3165 Conservation Biology		
<u>BIOL 4150</u>	<b>Evolutionary Biology</b>	3			
			BIOL 4235 Marine Biology		
<u>BIOL 4235</u>	Marine Biology	3	Select at least one of:	4	
			BIOL 4140 Animal Physiology		
	<b>Developmental</b>	4			
BIOL 4245	Biology		BIOL 4245 Developmental Biology		
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BIOL 3165	Conservation Biology	_	Select 9 credits of Electives at the undergraduate level		
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BIOL 4235	Marine Biology		Group A		
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BIOL 4140	Animal Physiology	_	Select three credits of BIOL at the 3000 level or higher		
			Group B		
BIOL 4245	<b>Developmental</b>		BIOL 4199 Research Project 1		
	Biology				
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<u>ASTR 1105</u>	Basic Astronomy	3	completion of 90 credits for the Bachelor of Science, Major in Biology program			
<u>ASTR 3111</u>	Exploring Stars & Galaxies	3	Minimum GPA of 2.7			
BIOL 2330	Microbiology	4	Program Continuance Requirements			
BIOL 3330	Microbiology II	4	<ul> <li>Completion of COOP 1101 prior to completing 90 credits</li> <li>Minimum GPA of 2.7</li> </ul>			
	Human Neural, Excretory and Endocrine	4	Instructor permission			
	Systems	2	Co-op Course Requirements			
<u>BIOL 4260</u>	Human Genetics	÷ 4	The Co-operative Education designation requires successful			
<b>NOL 4330</b>	Analytical Chemistry		completion of the following courses.			
BIOL 4320		4	Required			
CHEM 2315	Physical Chemistry	3	COOP 1101 Introduction to Professional and Career 1 Readiness			
CHEM 3310	Introduction to Computer Literacy					
CDSC 1100		3	COOP 1150         Co-op Work Semester 1         9			
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List any new, revised or discontinued courses associated with this program change								
Course	Course	Descriptive Title,	New,					
Subject	Number	hyperlinked to course outline	Revised, or					
Code			Discontinued					
BIOL	4150	Evolutionary Biology	To be					
			Discontinued					
BIOL	3150	Evolutionary Biology	New					

# 2. Curriculum Consultations

Please consult with the Office of the Provost as additional consultations may be required depending on the scope of the proposed program changes.

For consultees, please consider the following questions when providing your feedback to the Proponent:

- Does your department/unit support the proposed curriculum? Provide rationale for support/non-support.
- How does the proposed curriculum impact your department/unit?
- How does the proposed curriculum impact your program?
- Is there potential for curricular overlap with current offerings?

Name	Department, Program and/or Faculty	Comments	Date Consulted
Jennifer O'Brien	Office of the Provost (oPro)		04 July 2023
Virginia Vandenberg	Office of the Provost (oPro)		10 July 2023

Note: No consultations in addition to those listed on page 2 were requested.

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## 3. Financial Assessment Questions

#### **Financial Assessment Questions**

The following information will help determine whether there is a budgetary impact to the proposed program changes, and what additional information and consultation will be required.

Please note that all additional budgetary requests in support of the proposed program change require approval from the Dean and the Provost, and additional financial documents may be required.

Change in number of credits	Yes⊠ No□ If Yes, please provide details:
Change in space requirements	Yes□ No⊠ If Yes, please provide details:
Change in equipment requirements	Yes□ No⊠ If Yes, please provide details:
Change in support requirements	Yes⊠ No□ If Yes, please provide details:

Please attach any financial document if required.



# FACULTY OF SCIENCE, CURICULLUM COMMITTEE COMMITTEE Agenda Number: 1 Meeting Date: Dec., 2023 Presenter(s): Rebecca Harbut

# AGENDA TITLE: SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE PROGRAM REVISION

## ACTION REQUESTED: Motion

# **RECOMMENDED RESOLUTION**

THAT Faculty of Science curriculum committee approves this program revision, understanding further minor revisions may be made at future governance steps.

## **COMMITTEE REPORT**

For Secretariat Use Only

### **Context and Background**

This program revision has been developed over the past 12 months with extensive consultation with academic units. The package that was brought forward to Curriculum Committee on Dec. 7, 2023 was prevented from moving forward due to process concerns expressed by non-voting members. These process concerns were a result of the recognition of the need to send the package to DQAB which precipitated a very tight timeline to meet all of the governance meeting dates. After consultation with the Senate office and Office of the Provost, we feel confident that the package being presented is at an appropriate stage for the curriculum committee to review it for curricular content. As the minuets from the last meeting reflect, there was discussion about the proposed changes and there were no concerns expressed about the revisions from the voting members of the committee.

The Bachelor of Applied Science in Sustainable Agriculture was launched in 2012 at the KPU Richmond campus. The proposed changes are prompted by the program review process and feedback provided by students and alumni.

The changes outlined in this program revision do not change the foundations of the program, but rather expand existing components of the program with a specific focus on three main factors:

1. Increased hands-on learning at the KPU Farm. Feedback from students and alumni have identified the need for more hands-on learning in the first two years of the course, as well as providing increased opportunities for peer mentoring between junior and senior students.

2. Desire to align our program with national and provincial commitments to Indigenization and decolonization of the academy.

3. Increased courses focused on agricultural skills and competencies. Feedback from students and alumni have expressed a need for additional courses focused on core agricultural sciences and skill development.

These changes have been developed in response to our Quality Assurance Action Plan (May 2022) and through ongoing input from students, alumni, and faculty. These revisions do not shift the focus or primary objective of the degree program but enhance the content and delivery to better equip our students with the competencies and skills required for students to embark on a career in agriculture.

This revision was previously voted down to due to concerns from non-voting members

### **Key Messages**

- 1. These revisions do not change the core of the program, but involve re-arrangement, minor revisions to existing courses and, in some cases, expanding courses or adding courses to increase classes focused on agricultural science, skills, and indigenization.
- 2. The experiential learning outcomes from the 12-month course series, Agroecosystems Management I, II and III have been moved to a 1st year course series to address student feedback which indicated desire to have hands-on learning begin earlier in the program. The higher-level learning outcomes from Agroecosystems Management course series have been included in a new 3rd year experiential learning course, AGRI 4100 Crop Management Lab. This shift will allow 1st and 3rd year students to take courses at the same time on the farm which will facilitate peer mentoring.
- 3. Indigenization of program through new and revised courses.
  - Improved alignment of BIOL courses and removal of CHEM 1110 (ENVI 1106 is required and provides applied chemistry foundation.) and more focused POST/POLI courses that better align with program learning outcomes. to meet learning outcomes more effectively and efficiently.
- 4. Addition of core content courses focused on agricultural skills development in pest management, soil management, and agroecology.

Year 1	Course	Credits	New FTE	Comments
	<b>Total New FTE for Year 1</b>		0.125	
Year 2	Courses	Credits	New FTE	Comments
	Total New FTE for Year 2		0.417	
Year 3				
	Total New FTE for Year 3		0.25	
Year 4				
	<b>Total New FTE for Year 4</b>		0.125	
Total New FTE	s required for New		1 1 2 2	
Program			1.105	
New BCGEU Sa	alary for ENVI 1106 Lab		\$6000	Funding for lab section

#### **Resource Requirements**

### **Course Delivery Costs:**

We have the existing capacity to deliver the courses with the infrastructure that we currently have at the KPU Farm and in the Richmond campus building. Therefore, although we are adding several courses, the cost of delivering those courses is primarily the cost of the instructor. There is only one course that we anticipate requiring additional funding to support, AGRI 2299.

**AGRI 2299: Agri-Food in the Field** – This course was originally designed to be a field trip course that included overnight trips to enable visits to important agricultural regions in BC. The cost of running these field trips will be heavily influenced by the number of students but for the next 5 years, we anticipate that there will be an average of 10-20 students per year. We currently have \$5,000, which is inadequate to cover the costs of the local field trips, and we feel the format we currently operate in is not an efficient way to use these funds. It would be much more cost effective to be able to charter a bus for an entire day and visit multiple locations or do an overnight trip which would allow us to see more diverse operations, which is the objective of the course. These types of experiences can provide students with an exceptional opportunity to build their network across a broader region as well as foster stronger relationships between peers. We could add a course fee to cover some of the cost but would require higher baseline support for this course. We have increased the credits for this course from 1 to 2 which will increase tuition revenue for the course, but it will need to be subsidized. We estimate that we will need an additional \$10,000 added to the budget to allow for this course.

Additional Operating Budget requested: \$10,000

#### Implications/Risks

As these changes do not represent a major shift in the program outcomes and there is a transition plan developed to ensure midstream students are not caught, there is no risk to students. As many of these changes are in response to student and alumni input, we believe the benefit these proposed changes will bring to student experience will be high.

There is a risk if the program is approved without the appropriate funding. While the core courses could be delivered without the full funding request, there would be a significant burden placed on existing faculty as it will leave the department with little to no capacity to deliver elective courses, participate in non-teaching activities (such as research and extension), contribute to graduate program or take advantage of opportunities requiring time-release.

Name	Department, Program and/or Faculty	Comments	Date Consulted
Brett Favaro	Faculty of Science Deans' Office	Initial discussions regarding revisions. Deans' Office is supportive.	3/20/2023
Jennifer Anaquod	Indigenous Studies	Discussions to develop a cross-listed course focused on Indigenous perspectives in food systems	8/24/23 6/26/23 6/9/23 1/16/23
Jennifer Anaquod Alena Buis	Indigenous Studies	Discussions with INDG department to support the development and cross- listing of a new course in AGRI	5/19/23

# Consultations

lennifer O'Brien	Office of the Provost	Draft of revisions sent to the Office of the	5/26/2023
		Provost and initials	
		discussions Curriculum man provided	
Lavne Myhre	Biology Department	Initial discussion of the changes to BIOI	5/3/2023
Nicole Tunbridge	biology Department	requirements in the Sustainable	5/ 5/ 2025
Nicole Tunbridge		Agriculture program	
Prott Equaro	Eaculty of Science	Discussion regarding proposed changes	12 Juno 2022
	Deans' Office	and notontial curriculum, hudget and	12-June-2025
	Dedits Office,	and potential curriculum, budget and	
Lavne Myhre	Biology Department		
Nicole Tunbridge			
Megan Marcotte			
Nicole Tunbridge	Biology Department	Discussion regarding specifics for BIOI	19-lune-2023
Megan Marcotte	biology Department	1110/1210/1299 and BIOL 2322	15 June 2025
		1110/1210/1239 and BIOL 2322	
Krista Gerlich-	Registrar's Office	Discussion about proposed changes	13-10-2023
Fitzgerald			
Shelley Boyd	Faculty of Arts	Discussions regarding the reduction of	6-10-2023
Valerie Vezina	Sustainable Policy	POST/POLI credits from 6 to 3 and	6-11-2023
	Studies program and	identification of courses that effectively	9-11-2023
	Political Science	meet program learning outcomes.	
		Discussion regarding delivery at	
		Richmond campus and/or online to	
		ensure student access	
Layne Myhre	Biology Department	Initial discussion of Honours option	11-11-2023
Nicole Tunbridge			
Melinda Bige	Indigenous Studies	Final consultations regarding delivery of	20-11-2023
Alena Buis		cross listed course	

# Attachments

# Submitted by

Rebecca Harbut

# Date submitted

Dec. 12, 2023

<sup>1.</sup> Program Change Proposal



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#### **PROGRAM DETAILS**

Faculty:	Faculty of Science
Program Name:	Bachelor of Applied Science in Sustainable Agriculture
Department:	Sustainable Agriculture & Food Systems
Effective date:	September 2024
Dean/Associate Dean:	Brett Favaro
Chair/Coordinator:	Rebecca Harbut
Submission Date:	

#### CONSULTATIONS

Consultations	Person Consulted	Consultation Date
Office of the Provost:	David Burns	November 27, 2023
Vice Chair of Senate:	Catherine Schwichtenberg	Dec. 7, 2023
Other(s)* (if applicable):		

\*For more complex consultations, please attach the Curriculum Consultation Forms. If you have any inquiries regarding the completion of the above Consultations section or the Curriculum Consultation Forms, please contact the Chair of the Senate Standing Committee on Curriculum.

#### OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR PROPOSAL REVIEW

Review of Completed Program Change Proposal	Review Submission Date
Send to <a>OREGCurrConsult@kpu.ca</a> for review**	Nov.24, 2023

\*\*Allow 2 weeks for the Office of the Registrar's proposal review (in advance of the SSCC submission deadline). If the proposed changes introduce new courses, submit 2 weeks in advance of your Faculty's curriculum committee meeting.

#### APPROVALS

	Proposal Approval Date
Faculty Curriculum Committee:	Dec. 14, 2023
Faculty Council (if required):	
SSC on Academic Planning and Priorities (if required):	
SSC on University Budget (if required):	
SSC on Research	
SSC on Curriculum:	
Senate:	

Overview of Proposed	These revisions do not change the core of the program, but involve re-		
Change(s):	arrangement of courses, minor revisions to existing courses and, in		
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	<ul> <li>Improved alignment of BIOL courses to meet learning outcomes</li> </ul>		
	more effectively and efficiently.		
	• Removal of CHEM 1110 as an option as this course did not		
	contribute to program learning outcomes (PLOs). We have kept		
	ENVI 1106 which provides applied chemistry foundation.		
	<ul> <li>More focused selection of POST/POLI courses that better align</li> </ul>		
	with program learning outcomes.		
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	developed a 20-acre certified organic teaching and learning farm		
	through a partnership with the City of Richmond which provides an		
	exceptional learning environment. The proposed changes are prompted		
	by the Sustainable Agriculture Program Review process and the Quality		
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**Improved Facilities Allow for Increased Experiential Learning.** At the time of the program's last revision, KPU did not have a Teaching and Research Farm to facilitate extensive experiential learning. As a result, the courses were limited in the amount of on-farm experiential learning that could be accomplished. Today, KPU has the KPU Farm, a 20-acre certified organic farm within walking distance of the Richmond Campus. This facility has allowed students to engage in experiential learning on an operating farm, whereas in the past, production was primarily limited to small garden plots on campus. Many of the changes proposed in this revision ensure that students are provided with as much experiential learning on the farm as possible to develop their agricultural skills. As many students do not come from agricultural backgrounds, this component of the training is essential. These revisions also provide the opportunity for students to develop their leadership and teamwork competency through peer mentoring and community action.

**Indigenization of Curriculum.** In alignment with national, provincial, and institutional priorities, we have revised our program outcomes to reflect the importance of Indigenizing our curriculum. We have worked closely with the Indigenous Studies department to develop a course that will provide students with the opportunity to explore Indigenous perspectives on food systems. These revisions have also resulted in weaving Indigenous content and perspectives throughout the program.

Improved Alignment with Program Outcomes. Through this review process and student and alumni feedback, we identified courses that were not effectively contributing to the program outcomes. These courses have been removed in consultation with affected departments. We have worked with Biology as they have been going through program revisions to rearrange content to ensure that core competencies related to Biology are covered in one introductory course, which allowed us to remove the second. Through consultation with the Sustainable Policy Studies and Political Science programs, we have identified courses which directly contribute to the program outcomes. This streamlining process has allowed us to increase the content focused on critical skills.

**Increased Agricultural Competencies**. Both alumni and employers have articulated that students need a higher competency in some of the critical areas of agricultural production, such as pest management, soil management, and crop management. This proposal includes the

	addition of 6 credits of pest management, 3 credits of advanced soil management, 3 credits of Agritech, 3 credits of agroecology, and 3 credits of a Crop Management Lab which provides upper-level studen the opportunity to apply their learning and develop mentoring and leadership skills. These courses will provide students with greater competency and skills that will enable them to be leaders in the agriculture sector.	
	<b>Removal of research project.</b> The existing research project courses will be moved to an honours option. All students will still be required to take courses on statistics and experimental design and analysis, but the execution of the project will become optional. This will provide all students with the foundations of research while providing greater flexibility in their program. These two courses can be taken as 6 of the 12 elective credits in Year 4.	
URL(s):	https://calendar.kpu.ca/programs-az/science-horticulture/sustainable- agriculture/sustainable-agriculture-ba/#requirementstext	

Impact on	Check all that apply:		
Students:	$\Box$ The changes alter the admission, declaration or continuance		
	requirements		
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Transition Plan	These changes will be phased in to allow for the completion of the existing degree for current students		
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Discontinued/Replaced required AGRI Courses:
<b>AGRI 1299 – Field Systems Analysis.</b> This course will be replaced with a second year course which will be 2 credits (1299 was 1 credit) which will allow for more comprehensive exploration of agriculture in B.C.
<b>AGRI 2240 – Ecologically Based Pest Management (EBPM)</b> . This course will be discontinued and replaced with 2 new courses, AGRI 3220 – Agricultural Pests and Beneficials and AGRI 33230 – Agricultural Pest Management. As the new program will be phased in and the new courses are 3 <sup>rd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> year courses, the existing course AGRI 2240 will be offered for 2 years which will provide sufficient time for midstream students to complete this requirement.
<b>AGRI 3290, 3390 and 4190 - Agroecosystems Management I, II, and III</b> . To ensure midstream students can complete these courses in their senior years, we will keep these courses on the books for 4 years but offer them in joint sections with the new Applied Organic Agriculture Series. As these courses are all taught at the KPU Farm, students registered in the new 1 <sup>st</sup> year series as well as the original 3 <sup>rd</sup> year series can take the course at the same time with the same instructor, but with appropriately levelled assignments.
AGRI 3135 – Business of Agriculture. In the existing program, this is one 6 credit course. The revised program splits this course into two 3-credit courses. Students will be able to substitute AGRI 3135 with the two new courses AGRI 3120 – Agricultural Enterprise Design and AGRI 3130 – Business Plans for Agriculture.

### **Transition Plan for Midstream AGRI students**

The current program will continue to be offered to ensure that current students are able to complete their degree on the current program. The new program will be introduced one year at a time to ensure that midstream students are able to complete the current program without any interruption.

**BIOL 1110 Substitute** – The course revisions to BIOL 1110 will not be in place by Fall 2023. Until these changes have occurred, students will enroll in BIOL 1112 instead of BIOL 1110. The prerequisites for BIOL 2322 have been revised to allow students that have taken BIOL 1112 AND AGRI 1200 to enroll in BIOL 2322.

Year 1 Year 1 courses – new program offered Year 2, 3 and 4 courses- current program offered		Cr	Comments
Discontinued Re	Discontinued Required Courses		
No required courses discontinued for midstream students			
New Courses			
INDG/AGRI 1130	Indigenous Perspectives on Food Systems	3	
AGRI 1100	Applied Organic Agriculture I (Spring)	4	Offered as joint section with AGRI 3290
AGRI 1200	Applied Organic Agriculture II (Summer)	6	Offered as joint section with AGRI 3390

Year 2 Year 1 and 2 courses – new program offered Year 1, 2, 3 and 4 courses- current program offered			Comments Cr	
Discontinued Required Courses				
No required cour	ses discontinued for midstream students			
New Courses				
AGRI 2320	Advanced Soils Management	3		
AGRI 2350	Agroecology	3		
AGRI 2150/PHYS	Agricultural Technologies	3		
AGRI 2299	Agri-Food in the Field (Summer intersession)	2	Based on AGRI 1299, but revised to 2 credits and offered in summer	
Voor 2			intersession	
Year 1, 2 and 3 c Year 4 courses-	ourses – new program offered current program offered	Cr	Comments	
Discontinued Re	equired Courses			
<u>AGRI 2240</u>	Ecologically Based Pest Management	3	The content of this course will be included in the two new courses AGRI 3220 and AGRI 3230. As this is a second year course for current students all students should be completed this course by year 3 of the new program.	
AGRI 3135	Agricultural Business Management	6	This 6cr. course is equivalent to AGRI 3120 (3cr) and 3130 (3cr) and can be substituted	
New Courses				
AGRI 3220	Agricultural Pests and Beneficials	3		
AGRI 3120	Agricultural Enterprise Design	3	replaces AGRI 3135	
AGRI 3230	Agricultural Pest Management	3		
AGRI 3130	Business Plans for Agriculture	3	replaces AGRI 3135	
AGRI 4100	Crop Management Field Lab (Summer)	3		
Year 4 Year 1, 2 and 3 c	ourses – new program offered		Comments	
the books for on	e more year	Cr		
Discontinued Co	urses			
<u>AGRI 3290</u>	Agroecosystem Management I	3	By year 4, all students will have had	
<u>AGRI 3390</u>	Agro-Ecosystems Management II	6	3 years to complete these two these two courses (3290 and 3390) and should be completed. If there are students that are not yet complete, we can delay the discontinuance with out financial implications as it can be taught during the same section as AGRI 1100 and 1200	
New Courses AGRI 4250	Agroecology in Action	3		
Year 5		Cr	Comments	

Year 1, 2 3 and 4 No current prog	4 courses – new program offered gram courses offered*		
Discontinued Co	Durses		
<u>AGRI 4190</u>	Agro-Ecosystems Management III	3	*By year 5, all students will have had 4 years to complete this course and should be completed. If there are students that are not yet complete, we can delay the discontinuance without financial implications as it can be taught during the same section as AGRI 2100

# Curriculum Map (See Attached file)

Program Learning Outcomes:

Current:	Proposed:	Comments:
PLO #1: Advance sustainable food system development through community engagement.	PLO # 11: Engage in food systems change through community action.	Changed wording to 'engaging in food systems change' as it is more tangible and doable than 'advancing sustainable food system development'
PLO #2: Apply principles of sustainability to agriculture and food systems.		This is redundant with the current PLO#6. Combined in the new PLO#9.
PLO #3: Critique existing and emerging agricultural paradigms from social, economic, and environmental perspectives.	PLO #5: Identify how social, economic, and political structures influence food systems at different scales.	Minor revision to wording to articulate the importance of scale.
PLO #4: Understand interrelationships between food systems, community, and human well-being.	PLO #1: Understand interrelationships between agriculture, food systems, environment, and human well-being.	Minor wording revision - added 'agriculture' as a distinct component of the food system that this program focuses on.
PLO #5: Mitigate climate change and adapt food systems to a changing climate.	PLO #7: Evaluate changes to agriculture and food systems that mitigate climate change and overreach of planetary boundaries and adapt agriculture and food systems to a changing planet.	Minor wording revision to remove the implication that students will be able to mitigate and adapt the food system. New wording focused on skills to evaluate the changes to assess their value in addressing climate issues.
PLO #6: Apply agroecological principles to agricultural production.	PLO #9: Apply agroecological principles.	Combined current PLO#2 and #6.
PLO #7: Design, conduct, analyze and critique natural and social scientific research.	PLO #8: Analyze and critique emerging research and apply its results to advance sustainable food systems.	Removed the word 'conduct' as we are moving the research project courses and moving them to the Honours option.
PLO #8: Recognize and represent diverse perspectives and ways of knowing.	PLO #2: Recognize and engage with diverse perspectives and ways of knowing including indigenous perspectives.	Minor revision – students may not be able to represent diverse perspectives, but they can engage with them.
PLO #9: Manage a sustainable agriculture business.	PLO #10: Apply principles of sustainable agriculture business management.	Minor revision – students may not manage a business but can apply principles.
	PLO #3: Understand implications of historical and contemporary relationships between agricultural food	New PLO to reflect institutional priorities to indigenize curriculum.

systems and indigenous peoples.	
PLO #4: Understand scientific underpinnings of agricultural disciplines including soil, plant, and animal sciences.	New PLO to reflect importance of agricultural science.
PLO #6: Craft and share visions for a sustainable future for agriculture and food systems and analyze existing examples that advance the vision.	New PLO to reflect the learning gained in communicating and advancing new ideas.

Current Requirements with Proposed Changes	New Requirements
Cut and paste the relevant section(s) in full from the current Calendar website. Use	Provide a clean copy to show how the new Calendar entry will appear. List courses in
track changes to show the proposed changes.	alpha/numeric order.
For a new Minor degree for which a cognate Major program is currently offered at	
KPU, insert the following text below "This is a new Minor degree program for which a	
for the minor, and as per Policy AC11 there is no requirement for a Concept Paper or	
FPP."	
Admission Requirements	Admission Requirements
The Faculty's Admission Requirements, which consist of KPU's	The Faculty's Admission Requirements, which consist of KPU's
undergraduate English Proficiency Requirement, apply to this	undergraduate English Proficiency Requirement, apply to this
program.	program.
Declaration Requirements	Declaration Requirements
Students intending to graduate with this Faculty of Science degree	Students intending to graduate with this Faculty of Science degree
must declare the credential by the time they complete 60 credits of	must declare the credential by the time they complete 60 credits of
undergraduate coursework. At the time of declaration, the student	undergraduate coursework. At the time of declaration, the student
must satisfy all of the following requirements:	must satisfy all of the following requirements:
In good academic standing with the University	In good academic standing with the University
Completion of a minimum of 24 credits of undergraduate	Completion of a minimum of 24 credits of undergraduate
coursework including the following:	coursework including the following:
coursework, including the following.	coursework, including the following.
o 3 credits of ENGL at the 1100 level of higher	o 3 credits of ENGL at the 1100 level or higher
Curricular Requirements	Curricular Requirements
The Bachelor of Applied Science in Sustainable Agriculture consists of	The Bachelor of Applied Science in Sustainable Agriculture consists of
120 credits of course work, including 27 credits of electives. A	120 credits of course work, including 24 credits of electives. A
minimum of 15 credits of electives must be chosen from subject areas	minimum of 15 credits of electives must be chosen from subject areas
other than AGRI, including at least 3 credits at the 3000-level or	other than AGRI, including at least 3 credits at the 3000-level or
above.	above.

Year 1		YEAR	1		
AGRI 1150	Sustainable Agriculture for the 21st Century	3	AGRI 1150	Foundations of Sustainable Agriculture	3
AGRI 1299	Food System Field Analysis	1	BIOL 1110	Introductory Biology I	4
BIOL 1110	Introductory Biology I	4	ENVI 1106	Environmental Chemistry I	4
BIOL 1210	Introductory Biology II	4	ENGL 1100	Intro to University Writing	3
ENGL 1100	Introduction to University Writing	3	INDG/AGRI 1130	Indigenous Perspectives on Food Systems	3
ENVI 1106	Environmental Chemistry I	4	AGRI 1100	Applied Organic Agriculture I (Spring)	3
or CHEM 1110	or The Structure of Matter	-	MATH 1115 <sup>1</sup>	Statistics I	3
INDG/AGRI					
1130	Indigenous Perspectives on Food Systems	3	AGRI 1200	Applied Organic Agriculture II (Summer)	6
AGRI 1100	Applied Organic Agriculture I	3	Electives		3
MATH 1115	Statistics I	3	Select one of the	following:	3
			POST 1100/PHIL		
AGRI 1200	Applied Organic Agriculture II	6	1111	Sustainability and Ethics	
Select one of		-	DOCT 4000	Inclusive Communities, Sustainable	
the following:	-	3	POST 1200	Futures	
PHIL 1110	Introduction to Moral Philosophy	-	POLI 2100	Sustainability and Government	
PHIL 1112	Introduction to Environmental Ethics	-			
POST 1100	Sustainability and Ethics	-			
Select 9 credits of	electives 1	9			
Select one of the	following:	3			
POST 1100/PHIL					
1111	Sustainability and Government				
POST 1200	Inclusive Communities, Sustainable Futures				
POLI 2100	Sustainability and Government				
-	-	-			
	Credits	31		Credits	35
1 Students who need to upgrade in order to meet the prerequisites for ENVI 1106 or MATH 1115, may use MATH 1112 or MATH 1117 as		tes ' as	1 Students who need to upgrade in order to meet the prerequisites for ENVI 1106 or MATH 1115, may use MATH 1112 or MATH 1117 as		
an elective.					
<b>Note</b> : Courses in Year one follow the agricultural season and progression of agricultural practices.			<b>Note</b> : Courses in Year One follow the agricultural season and progression of agricultural practices.		

Year 2		YEAR	2		
AGRI 2100	Applied Organic Agriculture III	3	AGRI 2100	Applied Organic Agriculture III (Fall)	3
AGRI 2190	Plant Science	3	BIOL 2322	Ecology	4
				Agriculture and Food Systems in British	
AGRI 2220	Soil Stewardship and Management	4	AGRI 2250	Columbia	3
AGRI 2230	Sustainable Human Economy	3	AGRI 2190	Plant Science	3
AGRI 2240	Ecologically Based Pest Management	3	AGRI 2220	Soil Stewardship and Management	4
AGRI 2250	Agriculture and Food Systems	3	AGRI 2230	Sustainable Human Economy	3
BIOL 2322	Ecology	4	AGRI 2320	Advanced Soils Management	3
MATH 1115	Statistics I	3	AGRI 2350	Agroecology	3
AGRI 2320	Advanced Soils Management	3	AGRI/PHYS 2150	Agricultural Technologies	3
			Summer		
AGRI 2350	Agroecology	3	Intersession		
				Agri-Food In the Field (Summer	
AGRI/PHYS 2150	Agricultural Technology	3	AGRI 2299	intersession)	2
Summer Interses	sion		Electives <sup>2</sup>		3
AGRI 2299	Agri-Food in the Field (Summer Intersession)	2			
Select one of					
the following:	-	3			
POLI 1120	Canadian Government and Politics	-			
POLI 1125	Introduction to Political Science	-			
POLI 2100	Sustainability and Government	-			
Select 6 credits					
of electives 2	-	6			
	Credits	32		Credits	34
<sup>2</sup> Students must l	have 3 credits of courses identified as Writing-		<sup>2</sup> Students must have 3 credits of courses identified as Writing-		
Intensive to graduate.			Intensive to graduate.		
Year 3		YEAR	3	1	1
AGRI 3225	Experimental Design & Analysis	3	AGRI 3225	Experimental Design and Analysis	3
AGRI 3260	Animal Agriculture	3	AGRI 3220	Agricultural Pests and Beneficials	3
AGRI 3220	Agricultural Pests and Beneficials	3	AGRI 3120	Agricultural Enterprise Design	3
AGRI 3120	Agricultural Enterprise Design	3	AGRI 3280	Fruit and Nut Crop Production	3

AGRI 3230	Agricultural Pest Management	3	AGRI 3130	Business Plans for Agriculture	3	
AGRI 3130	Business Plans for Agriculture	3	AGRI 3270	Vegetable Crop Production	3	
AGRI 3270	Vegetable Crop Production	3	AGRI 3230	Agricultural Pest Management	3	
AGRI 3280	Fruit and Nut Crop Production	3	AGRI 4100	Crop Management Field Lab (Summer)	3	
AGRI 3290	Agroecosystem Management I	3	Select 6 credits of	felectives	6	
AGRI 3390	Agro-Ecosystems Management II	<del>6</del>				
AGRI 3398	Crop Physiology and Ecology	3				
AGRI 4100	Crop Management Field Lab	3				
AGRI 3399	Research Project I	3				
Select 6 <del>3</del> credit	s of electives	6 <del>3</del>				
Note: Courses in	Year Three follow the agricultural season and	Note	Courses in Year Th	ree follow the agricultural season and progres	ssion	
progression of a	gricultural practices.	of ag	ricultural practices.			
	Credits	30		Credits	30	
Year 4		YEAR	EAR 4			
AGRI 3135	Business of Agriculture	<del>6</del>	AGRI 3398	Crop Physiology and Ecology	3	
AGRI 3398	Crop Physiology and Ecology	3	AGRI 4298	Agroecology as a Global Movement	3	
AGRI 4190	Agro-Ecosystems Management III	3	AGRI 4250	Agroecology in Action	3	
	World Trends in Agriculture Agroecology as a					
AGRI 4298	Global Movement	3	Electives		12	
AGRI 4250	Agroecology in Action	3				
AGRI 4299	Research Project II	<del>3</del>				
AGRI 4295	Internship	<del>3</del>				
Select 9 credits	of electives, with at least 3 credits at the 3000-					
level or above.		9				
Electives		12				
	Credits	27		Credits	21	
	Total Credits	120		Total Credits	120	
Credential Awa	Credential Awarded		Credential Awarded			
Upon successful completion of this program, students are eligible to receive a <b>Bachelor of Applied Science in Sustainable Agriculture.</b>		to	Upon successful completion of this program, students are eligible receive a <b>Bachelor of Applied Science in Sustainable Agriculture.</b>		e to e.	

List any new, revised, or discontinued courses associated with this program change				
Course Subject	Course			
Code	Number	Descriptive Title	New, Revised, or Discontinued	
AGRI	<u>1150</u>	Foundations of Sustainable Agriculture	Revised	
INDG/AGRI	<u>1130</u>	Indigenous Perspectives on Food Systems	New	
AGRI	<u>1100</u>	Applied Organic Agriculture I	New	
AGRI	<u>1200</u>	Applied Organic Agriculture II	New	
AGRI	<u>2100</u>	Applied Organic Agriculture III	New	
AGRI	<u>2190</u>	Plant Science	Revised	
AGRI	<u>2220</u>	Soil Stewardship and Management	Revised	
AGRI	<u>2250</u>	Agriculture and Food Systems in British Columbia	Revised	
AGRI	<u>2230</u>	Sustainable Human Economy	Revised	
AGRI	<u>2290</u>	Food Systems Analysis	New	
AGRI	2299	Agri-Food in the Field	New	
AGRI	<u>2320</u>	Advanced Soil Management	Revised	
AGRI/PHYS	<u>2150</u>	Agricultural Technologies	New	
AGRI	<u>2350</u>	Agroecology	New	
AGRI	<u>3225</u>	Experimental Design & Analysis	Revised	
AGRI	<u>3260</u>	Animal Agriculture	Moved from required to elective	
AGRI	<u>3270</u>	Vegetable Crop Production	Revised	
AGRI	<u>3280</u>	Fruit and Nut Crop Production	Revised	
AGRI	<u>3398</u>	Crop Physiology and Ecology	Revised	
AGRI	<u>3399</u>	Honour Research Project I	Revised and moved to Honours program	
AGRI	<u>3220</u>	Agricultural Pests and Beneficials	New	
AGRI	<u>3230</u>	Agricultural Pest Management	New	
AGRI	<u>3120</u>	Agricultural Enterprise Design	New	
AGRI	<u>3130</u>	Business Plans for Agriculture	New	
AGRI	<u>4100</u>	Crop Management Field Lab	New	
AGRI	<u>4298</u>	Agroecology as a Global Movement	Revised	
AGRI	<u>4299</u>	Honours Research Project II	Revised and moved to Honours program	
AGRI	<u>4295</u>	Internship	Moved from required to electives	

AGRI	<u>4250</u>	Agroecology in Action	New
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# 2. Curriculum Consultations

Name	Department,	Comments	Date Consulted
	Program and/or		
Brott Equaro	Faculty Eaculty of Science	Initial discussions regarding revisions	2/20/2022
Diett Tavalo	Deans' Office	Deans' Office is supportive.	3/20/2023
Jennifer Anaguod	Indigenous Studies	Discussions to develop a cross-listed	8/24/23
		course focused on Indigenous	6/26/23
		perspectives in food systems	6/9/23
		· · · /	1/16/23
Jennifer Anaquod	Indigenous Studies	Discussions with INDG department to	5/19/23
Alena Buis		support the development and cross-	
		listing of a new course in AGRI	
Jennifer O'Brien	Office of the Provost	Draft of revisions sent to the Office of the	5/26/2023
		Provost and initials discussions.	
		Curriculum map provided.	
Layne Myhre	Biology Department	Initial discussion of the changes to BIOL	5/3/2023
Nicole Tunbridge		requirements in the Sustainable	
		Agriculture program.	
Brett Favaro	Faculty of Science	Discussion regarding proposed changes	12-June-2023
Lana Mihell	Deans' Office,	and potential curriculum, budget and	
Allyson Rozell	Biology Department	staffing considerations	
Layne Myhre			
Nicole l'unbridge			
Niegan Marcotte	Dialogy Doportmont	Discussion reporting specifies for DIO	10 June 2022
Mogan Marcotto	Biology Department	1110/1210/1112 and PIOL 2222	19-June-2023
Wegan Warcotte		1110/1210/1112 and DIOL 2322	
Krista Gerlich-	Registrar's Office	Discussion about proposed changes	10-12-2023
Fitzgerald			
Shelley Boyd	Faculty of Arts	Discussions regarding the reduction of	6-10-2023
Valerie Vezina	Sustainable Policy	POST/POLI credits from 6 to 3 and	6-11-2023
	Studies program and	identification of courses that effectively	9-11-2023
	Political Science	meet program learning outcomes.	
		Discussion regarding delivery at	
		Richmond campus and/or online to	
Malinda Piga	Indigonous Studios	Einal consultations regarding dolivery of	20 11 2022
	indigenous studies	cross listed course	20-11-2023
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# 3. Financial Assessment Questions

### **Financial Assessment Questions**

The following information will help determine whether there is a budgetary impact to the proposed program changes, and what additional information and consultation will be required.

Please note that all additional budgetary requests in support of the proposed program change require approval from the Dean and the Provost, and additional financial documents may be required.

Change in number of credits	Yes□ No⊠ If Yes, please provide details:
Change in space requirements	Yes□ No⊠ If Yes, please provide details:
Change in equipment requirements	Yes□ No⊠ If Yes, please provide details:
Change in support requirements	Yes⊠ No□ If Yes, please provide details:

Please attach any financial document if required.

#### **Budget Implications for Proposed Program Changes**

A major component of the changes introduced in the new Sustainable Agriculture program is to provide students with increased agricultural content. This is in response to student and alumni feedback and to ensure that students graduate with necessary skills to enter the workplace. The following table summarizes the budget implications of the new courses that have been added to Sustainable Agricultures course offerings as part of the proposed program changes.

Year 1	Course	Credits	New FTE	Comments
ENVI 1106	Environmental Chemistry	4	.1667	This course is an existing service course that will require a section to be taught at the Richmond campus. Previous attempts have been made to offer this course as a hybrid online

				however it was not a suitable delivery method for the course.
INDG/AGRI 1130	Indigenous Perspectives on Food Systems	3	0.125	This course has been co-developed with INDG. The course is designed to be taught with 2 faculty: 1 INDG and 1 AGRI no new FTE as this will be taught as a joint section with AGRI 3290 no new FTE as this will be taught as a Joint section with AGRI 3390
AGRI 1100	Applied Organic Agriculture I (Spring)	4		
AGRI 1200	Applied Organic Agriculture II (Summer)	6		

	Total New FTE for Year 1		0.2917	
Year 2	Courses	Credits	New FTE	Comments
AGRI 2320	Advanced Soils Management	3	0.125	
AGRI 2350	Agroecology	3	0.125	
AGRI/PHYS 2150	Agricultural Technologies	3	0.125	
AGRI 2299	Food System Field Analysis (Summer intersession)	2	0.042	This is an existing course, but credits have increased from 1 to 2 credits to better reflect the weight of the course
	Total New FTE for Year 2		0.417	
Year 3				
AGRI 3220	Agricultural Pests and Beneficials	3		no new FTE as this course replaces existing AGRI 2240
AGRI 3230	Agricultural Pest Management	3	0.125	
AGRI 3120	Agricultural Enterprise Design	3		no new FTE as this is the AGRI 3135 course split into two. We will ensure
AGRI 3130	Business Plans for Agriculture	3		existing students take these two to sub for AGRI 3135 so we do not need to offer both.
AGRI 4100	Crop Management Field Lab (Summer)	3	0.125	
	Total New FTE for Year 3		0.25	
Year 4				
AGRI 4250	Agroecology in Action	3	0.125	
	Total New FTE for Year 4		0.125	

Total New FTEs required for New Program	1.083	
New BCGEU Salary for ENVI 1106 Lab	\$6000	Funding for lab section

#### **Course Delivery Costs:**

We have the existing capacity to deliver the courses with the infrastructure that we currently have at the KPU Farm and in the Richmond campus building. Therefore, although we are adding several courses, the cost of delivering the new courses is primarily the cost of the instructor. There is only one course that we anticipate requiring additional funding to support, AGRI 2299, addressed below.

AGRI 2299: Food Systems Field Analysis – This course was originally designed to be a field trip course that included overnight trips to enable visits to important agricultural regions in BC. The cost of running these field trips will be heavily influenced by the number of students but for the next 5 years, we anticipate that there will be an average of 10-20 students per year. We currently have \$5,000, which is inadequate to cover the costs of the local field trips, and we feel the format we currently operate in is not an efficient way to use these funds. It would be much more cost effective to be able to charter a bus for an entire day and visit multiple locations or do an overnight trip which would allow us to see more diverse operations, which is the objective of the course. These types of experiences can provide students with an exceptional opportunity to build their network across a broader region as well as foster stronger relationships between peers. We could add a course fee to cover some of the cost but would require higher baseline support for this course. We have increased the credits for this course from 1 to 2 which will increase tuition revenue for the course, but it will need to be subsidized. We estimate that we will need an additional \$10,000 added to the budget to allow for this course.

Additional Operating Budget requested: \$10,000

#### **Determination of a New Degree Program**

Please complete the following template and attach:

- evidence of the institution's internal approval for the new option (i.e., Senate or Education Council approval);
- existing and proposed calendar descriptions of courses; and
- program structure.

#### **Degree Nomenclature**

Current: Bachelor of Applied Science in Sustainable Agriculture

#### Proposed: No change

#### Goals

**Current**: The curriculum is designed in recognition of the need for both practical and academic training within the new powerful movement in sustainable agriculture. This program aims to achieve the following goals:

- Address community needs identified by the provincial government and municipal councils in relation to local-regional, agri-food systems and food security.
- Address institutional priorities embedded in KPU's polytechnic mission and mandate.
- Model innovative agricultural practices that will prepare knowledgeable, skilled graduates to engage in the business and practices of sustainable food production and post-production facilities.

Students will be immersed in a setting which fosters experiential learning and exploring personal interests and inclination. During our four-year bachelor's degree program, students will work to realize three major learning outcomes:

- The ability to grow fruit and vegetable crops within a sustainable ecological context. A full spectrum of
  experiential field-based agricultural courses is offered in Year 3 which, by necessity, follows a complete crop
  cycle beginning in the spring and extending through summer into the fall. These applied courses function as a
  mechanism to bring the theoretical concepts and principles of sustainable agroecosystem design, function, and
  management to practical realization.
- Develop the business, sales, and marketing skills necessary to manage a sustainable agricultural farming business. The development of these skills is facilitated by the inclusion of a broad base of foundational courses supplemented by a multidisciplinary business management course in Year Four.
- Develop practical, problem solving and research skills, as well as an understanding of government, economic and business environments and policies needed to address issues of and advance sustainable agri-food systems, as related to employment in government, non-government organizations, and the private sector.

#### Proposed (new goals in red text)

- The ability to grow fruit and vegetable crops within a sustainable ecological context. A full spectrum of
  experiential field-based agricultural courses is offered in Year 3 which, by necessity, follows a complete crop
  cycle beginning in the spring and extending through summer into the fall. These applied courses function as a
  mechanism to bring the theoretical concepts and principles of sustainable agroecosystem design, function, and
  management to practical realization.
- Develop the business, sales, and marketing skills necessary to manage a sustainable agricultural farming business. The development of these skills is facilitated by the inclusion of a broad base of foundational courses supplemented by a multidisciplinary business management course in Year Four.

- Develop practical, problem solving and research skills, as well as an understanding of government, economic and business environments and policies needed to address issues of and advance sustainable agri-food systems, as related to employment in government, non-government organizations, and the private sector.
- Facilitate experiential learning and peer mentoring at the teaching and research farm throughout the 4-year degree.
- Facilitate an understanding of the implications of historical and contemporary relationships between agricultural food systems and Indigenous Peoples through the Indigenization of curriculum. This is in accordance with KPU's recent <u>xé?elł Pathway to Systemic Transformation Framework</u>.

#### **Targeted Learners**

**Current**: This degree is intended to attract students at the first-year level and retain enrolments for the duration of the program. Students may transfer into the program at any time provided they are assessed as meeting all program admission requirements. Alternately, students may seek prior learning assessments. In addition to recent secondary school, graduates the program also targets non-traditional students, second career, younger adults, and women.

**Proposed**: The proposed target learners remain the same with the addition of Indigenous students in accordance with KPU's recent xé?el+ Pathway to Systemic Transformation Framework.

#### **Educational Outcomes**

Current:	Proposed:	Comments:			
PLO #1: Advance sustainable food	PLO # 11: Engage in food systems	Changed wording for clarity as it 'engaging in food systems change			
system development through	change through community	more tangible and doable than 'advancing sustainable food system			
community engagement.	action.				
PLO #2: Apply principles of		This is redundant with the current PLO#6. They are combined in the			
sustainability to agriculture and		new PLO#9.			
food systems.					
PLO #3: Critique existing and	PLO #5: Identify how social,	We want students to do more than critique, but rather develop an			
emerging agricultural paradigms	economic, and political structures	broad understanding of the factors that influence food systems.			
from social, economic, and	influence food systems at				
environmental perspectives.	different scales.				
PLO #4: Understand	PLO #1: Understand	Added 'agriculture' and a distinct component of the food system that			
interrelationships between food	interrelationships between	this program focuses on.			
systems, community, and human	agriculture, food systems,				
well-being.	environment, and human well-				
	being.				
PLO #5: Mitigate climate change	PLO #7: Evaluate changes to	The current PLO implies that students will be able to mitigate and			
and adapt food systems to a	agriculture and food systems that	adapt the food system. The wording changes the focus to developing			
changing climate.	mitigate climate change and	assess their value in addressing these issues.			
	overreach of planetary boundaries				
	and adapt agriculture and food				
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	systems to a changing planet.				
PLO #6: Apply agroecological	PLO #9: Apply agroecological	Combined current PLO#2 and #6 and recognized that students ap			
principles to agricultural	principles.	agroecological principles in production, but also in other areas of			
production.		study such as policy, communication, etc.			
PLO #7: Design, conduct, analyze	PLO #8: Analyze and critique	Removed the word 'conduct' as we are moving the			
and critique natural and social	emerging research and apply its				
scientific research.	results to advance sustainable				
	food systems.				
PLO #8: Recognize and represent	PLO #2: Recognize and engage	Addition of explicit reference to Indigenous perspectives.			
diverse perspectives and ways of	with diverse perspectives and				
knowing.	ways of knowing_including				
	indigenous perspectives.				
PLO #9: Manage a sustainable	PLO #10: Apply principles of				
agriculture business.	sustainable agriculture business				
	management.				
	PLO #3: Understand implications				
	of historical and contemporary				
	relationships between agricultural				
	food systems and indigenous				
	peoples.				
	PLO #4: Understand scientific				
	underpinnings of agricultural				

disciplines including soil, plant,	
and animal sciences.	
PLO #6: Craft and share visions for	
a sustainable future for	
agriculture and food systems and	
analyze existing examples that	
advance the vision.	

	Number of Courses	Number of Credits
Existing program courses and course credits:	37	120
Program Course Changes		
New courses designed for proposed program:	12*	36*
Existing courses new to proposed program:	1	3
New Required courses:	13*	42*
New Elective courses:	0	0
Deleted Required courses:	5	21
Deleted Elective courses:	4	12
Courses previously Elective now Required:	1	3
Courses previously Required now Elective:	4	12

\*Note: 4 of these new courses (18 credits) are based on the content, but reformatted versions of 4 previous required courses.

# Number of Credits Required for Graduation:

Current: 120

Proposed: 120

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# Proposed Program Structure

(Please add or delete lines and years as necessary):

Year 1	Course no. / Name / No. of Credits  Required	Existin g Course ? (Y/N)	New Course ? (Y/N)	Comments
	AGRI 1150 / Foundations of Sustainable Agriculture / 3	Y		
	BIOL 1110 / Introductory Biology I / 4	Y		
	ENVI 1106 / Environmental Chemistry 1 / 4	Y		
	ENGLIGO / Intro to Oniversity Writing / S	T	v	
	Systems / 3		T	
	AGRI 1100 / Applied Organic Agriculture / 3		Y	This course is a revision of AGRI 3290 Agroecosystems Management I, which is the current farm-based course offered in 3 <sup>rd</sup> year. Higher level learning outcomes from the 3 <sup>rd</sup> year course have been moved into the AGRI 4100 Crop Management Field Lab
	MATH 1115 / Statistics I / 3	Y		
	AGRI 1200 / Applied Organic Agriculture / 6		Y	This course is a revision of AGRI 3390 Agroecosystems Management II, which is the current farm-based course offered in 3 <sup>rd</sup> year. Higher level learning outcomes from the 3 <sup>rd</sup> year course have been moved into the AGRI 4100 Crop Management Field Lab
	Select one of the following:			
	POST 1100/PHIL 1111 / Sustainability and Ethics / 3	Y		
	POST 1200 / Inclusive Communities, Sustainable Futures / 3		Y	This is a new course for the program, but an existing course at KPU
	POLI 2100 / Sustainability and Government / 3	Y		
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	AGRI 2100 / Applied Organic Agriculture / 3		Y	This course is a revision of AGRI 4190 Agroecosystems Management III, which is the current farm-based course offered in 3rd year. Higher level learning outcomes from the 3rd year course have been moved into the AGRI 4100 Crop Management Field Lab
	BIOL 2322 / Ecology / 4	Y		
	AGRI 2250 / Agriculture and Food Systems in BC / 3	Y		
	AGRI 2220 / Soil Stewardship and Management / 4	Y		
	AGRI 2230 / Sustainable numan Economy / 3	Y V		
	AGRI 2350 / Agroecology / 3	T	v	
	AGRI 2320 / Advanced Soils Management / 3	Y	•	
	AGRI/PHYS 2150 / Agricultural Technology / 3		Y	
	AGRI 2299 / Agri-Food in the Field / 2		Y	This is a revision of an existing course 1299, but changes it to a 2 <sup>nd</sup> year course and addition of 1 credit.
Year 3	Required			
	AGRI 3225 / Experimental Design and Analysis / 3 AGRI 3220 / Agricultural Pests and Beneficials / 3	Y	Y	This course, along with AGRI 3230 is replacing and expanding on the current AGRI 2240 Ecologically Based Pest Management course. It was necessary to expand the course into two due to the need to develop pest management knowledge and skills

	AGRI 3120 / Agricultural Enterprise Design / 3		Y	This course along with AGRI 3130 will replace the
				current 6 credit course, AGRI 3135/Business of
				Agriculture to allow the content to be taught over 2
				terms.
	AGRI 3230 / Agricultural Pest Management / 3		Y	This course, along with AGRI 3220, is replacing and
				expanding on the current AGRI 2240 Ecologically
				Based Pest Management course. It was necessary
				to expand the course into two due to the need to
				develop pest management knowledge and skills
	AGRI 3130 / Business Plans for Agriculture / 3		Y	This course along with AGRI 3120 will replace the
				current 6 credit course, AGRI 3135/Business of
				Agriculture to allow the content to be taught over 2
				terms.
	AGRI 3270 / Vegetable Crop Production / 3	Y		
	AGRI 3280 / Fruit and Nut Crop Production / 3	Y		
	AGRI 4100 / Crop Management Field Lab / 3		Y	This course contains the higher-level learning
				outcomes from the previous Agroecosystems
				Management courses and provides students with
				additional on farm demonstration of learning as
				well as peer mentoring opportunities.
	Electives: (6 credits)			
Year 4	Required			
	AGRI 3398 / Crop Physiology and Ecology / 3	Y		
	AGRI 4250 / Agroecology in Action / 3		Y	This course provides students with professional
				practice training, network building and
				communication and writing skills.
	AGRI 4298 / Agroecology as a Global Movement / 3	Y		
	Electives: 12 credits (at least 3 credits at 3000 level and			

# **Proposed Calendar Descriptions**

(Existing Courses are in black text, new courses are in red text)

# AGRI 1150 Foundations of Sustainable Agriculture

Agriculture is one of the fundamental ways in which humans interact with the natural world and has a crucial role to play in a sustainable future. This class will cover the history of agriculture and the current food system through the lens of sustainability. We will explore how the dominant paradigm of modern agricultural production developed, connecting structural and historical processes to current issues. We will also learn about movements for sustainable and just food systems and their potential to address climate change and other issues of global concern.

# **BIOL 1110/Introductory Biology I**

Students will study the diversity of life on Earth, the classification of organisms, and the interactions of organisms with their environments. They will examine the structure and function of tissues and body systems in a variety of organisms. Students will use microscopes and perform a range of experimental procedures in the laboratory.

# ENVI 1106/Environmental Chemistry I

Students will study chemistry with a focus on environmental issues and applications. They will study volumetric and gravimetric analysis, general equilibrium reactions, intermolecular forces, basic organic chemistry concepts, and oxidation-reduction reactions relevant to natural and environmental applications. Students with credit for CHEM 1110 may not take this course for further credit.

# ENGL 1100/Intro to University Writing

In this introductory university writing course, students will develop their abilities in critical reading, analysis, critical thinking, and clear written expression. Through selected readings and a variety of media, students will explore, assess, and respond to

arguments and issues from across disciplines and relevant to contemporary cultures. This course will also introduce students to research methods, including finding, evaluating, integrating, and documenting sources.

#### INDI/AGRI 1130/Indigenous Perspectives on Food Systems

Food systems and food sovereignty are deeply connected to Indigenous well-being and relationship to the land, both historically and in the present. Food systems and agriculture are also intertwined with the history of colonialism in Canada. At the same time, Indigenous knowledge and land stewardship practices have provided the foundation for many areas of sustainable agriculture including agroecology, organic agriculture, permaculture, and regenerative agriculture. This course will use a land-based learning approach to explore Indigenous food systems as an integral part of sustainable agriculture. Using examples from local First Nations as well as cases across Canada, students will learn about historic and contemporary factors that impact Indigenous food systems and food sovereignty and consider the significance of reconciliation in the context of food systems.

## AGRI 1100/Applied Organic Agriculture

Students will study the integrated application of food crop production principles and practices at the certified organic, KPU Farm. They will focus on late winter and spring operations including planning seasonal operations and plantings, equipment assessment and maintenance; procuring seed and plants; establishing orchard and field plantings; perennial crops canopy management; soil, nutrition, irrigation and pest management regimes and farm safety. This course is only offered in the spring term.

#### MATH 1115/Statistics I

Students will summarize and display data and perform inferences about proportions, means and standard deviations for one and two populations. Students will summarize and display data, find confidence intervals, and perform hypothesis tests for proportions, means, and standard deviations, for one and two populations, both large and small. They will also perform regression analysis and determine probabilities.

#### AGRI 1200/Applied Organic Agriculture

Students will build on the crop production principles and practices of integrated crop production covered in AGRI 1100. They will focus on spring and summer operations including work scheduling; transplant production; planting, transplanting, and direct seeding; fertility management; equipment use and maintenance; irrigation; pest management; weed management; warm season cover cropping; harvest; post-harvest management; marketing, and record keeping. This course is only offered in the summer term.

## POST 1100/PHIL 1111/Sustainability and Ethics

Students will examine various concepts of sustainability. They will explore evaluation methods including ethical reasoning, and may include other approaches such as game theory, cognitive science, and behavioural economics. Students will evaluate key sustainability policy issues such as climate change, global and intergenerational inequalities, and decolonization. Note: This course is cross listed with <u>PHIL 1111</u>. Students may not get credit for both courses. Students in the Policy Studies (POST) program must take <u>POST 1100</u>.

#### POST 1200/Inclusive Communities, Sustainable Futures/3

Students will undertake an in-depth study of one broad sustainability issue that relates directly to our lives, such as the climate emergency, inclusive affordable housing, Indigenous land rights, disability rights, or the future of work. Through class discussion, secondary research, and reflection, students will examine various perspectives and current conditions related to the sustainability issue. They will learn how to become self-advocates and develop tools and strategies to advocate for diverse communities and the environment. Students will also collaborate to imagine, evaluate, and promote solutions that lead to a more just and sustainable future.

#### **POLI 2100/Sustainability and Government**

Students will explore environmental sustainability as an issue in Canadian politics. They will examine the evolution of the environmental movement in Canada and study the linkages between environmental concerns and Canadian political culture, parties, advocacy organizations, federal-provincial-indigenous self-government relations, domestic and foreign policy, and other areas of interest.

# AGRI 2100/ Applied Organic Agriculture

Students will continue to build on organic crop production principles and practices learned in previous Applied Organic Agriculture courses. They will focus on fall operations including work scheduling, late season planting, season extension, fertility management, equipment use and maintenance, pest management, cool season cover cropping, harvest, post-harvest management, farm winterization activities, marketing and record keeping.

# BIOL 2322/Ecology

Students will learn the basic properties of ecosystem, community and population ecology, including energy transfer, mineral cycling, community structure and dynamics, competition, predation, evolution and population dynamics. They will perform experimental investigations in the lab and use a range of instruments and equipment to record observations in the field.

# AGRI 2250/Agriculture and Food Systems in BC

This course provides an introduction to the concept of a food system as an interconnected web of activities, processes, structures, resources, and people involved in providing human nourishment. Using case examples from British Columbia, we will examine the underlying logic, values, and function of food systems, and their implications for communities and the environment. We will consider how food systems outcomes are shaped by regional policies such as supply management and the Agricultural Land Reserve, and how food systems contribute to issues of international interest such as the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals.

# AGRI 2220/Soil Stewardship and Management

The ultimate goal of this course is to prepare you as future agricultural professionals to apply the soil science knowledge you learn in this course to the challenges of contemporary land management. This course will introduce you to the fundamental concepts related to soil science, discuss key characteristics of soils and ecology, and management of soils with an emphasis on understanding soil as a living system, in the context of the agroecosystem and as a precious natural resource. You will study soil formation and development processes, physical and chemical characteristics of soils, soil biodiversity and soil food webs, and major biogeochemical cycles. We will also cover concepts related to soil fertility and nutrient management, soil water management, soil conservation, and plant nutrient uptake in agroecosystems.

## AGRI 2230/Sustainable Human Economy

Students will consider the roles that environment, society and economics has played in the development of the current global economic model. They will critically examine the impacts of the dominant economic system on the environment and human well-being. They will study key principles and concepts of ecological and sustainable economics in comparison to classical and neo-classical economics. Students will examine alternative economic perspectives and case studies that demonstrate alternative economic models that consider planetary boundaries and human well-being.

## AGRI 2190/Plant Science

Students will study basic crop plant anatomy, morphology, physiology, growth and development, breeding and genetics. They will also study environmental (biotic and abiotic) and agroecosystem management interactions and their effects on crop growth, yield and quality.

## AGRI 2350/Agroecology

Students will examine the history of agroecology as a science, practice, and social movement and consider the vision it suggests for a more sustainable food system. Students will explore the role that agroecology plays in the transformation of food systems. They will study the interactions of the components of this discipline including agricultural, ecological, economic, social, cultural, and political.

## PHYS/AGRI 2150/Agricultural Technology

Critically examine established and emerging agricultural technologies through environmental, social, and economic lenses. Consider lifecycle impacts of technologies on food security, greenhouse gas emissions, resource use, and circular economy restoration through case studies.

## AGRI 2299/Agri-Food in the Field

Students will visit and observe agri-food system farm processing and distribution enterprises in British Columbia. They will assess the function and operation of these enterprises and identify challenges and opportunities for advancing agri-food

system sustainability. Students will explore ways to define, assess, and interpret factors that contribute to agri-food system sustainability. They will learn how factors interact and learn to weigh these factors in holistic agri-food system sustainability assessments, decision making, and planning processes.

This course may include field trips that happen outside of regular class hours, including overnight trips and additional course fees.

## AGRI 3225/Experimental Design and Analysis

Students will learn the fundamental principles of agricultural experimental design and analysis and prepare an applied research proposal.

#### AGRI 3220/Agricultural Pests and Beneficials

Learn about the damaging insects, pathogens, weeds, and other organisms considered pests in agro-ecosystems. Natural enemies of pest organisms will also be introduced. Topics will include common characteristics of pest and beneficial organisms, taxonomy, anatomy, life cycles, habitat needs, and survival strategies.

#### AGRI 3120/Agricultural Enterprise Design (existing course AGRI 3135 split into two 3 credit courses)

Students will examine the unique aspects of small scale agricultural businesses and understand the diversity of agricultural businesses. They will compare and contrast small scale operations with commodity-based large scale agricultural enterprises to differentiate between the two business models. By interpreting financial statements, identifying business goals, conducting farm inventories, producing agricultural maps, and researching product markets, students will critique numerous agricultural enterprises.

#### AGRI 3230/Agricultural Pest Management

Students will survey the evolution of agricultural pest management paradigms and the ecological impacts of changing approaches over time. Practical examples will be used to distinguish between cultural, physical, biological, behavioural, and chemical pest management strategies, and the ecological impacts of each. Current and historical case studies will guide critical assessment of the promise and reality of Integrated Pest Management, Genetic Modification, Sterile Insect Release, and emerging pest management technologies. Restrictions on pest management tactics imposed by the Pest Management Regulatory Agency and the Canadian organic standards, and the practical impacts of these rules, will be considered in light of the regulations' guiding principles and intent.

#### AGRI 3130/Business Plans for Agriculture (existing course AGRI 3135 split into two 3 credit courses)

Students will produce a business plan for a small scale agricultural business. Starting with business goals, students will identify local agricultural market opportunities, determine products to sell, design agricultural operations, estimate revenues, and research costs. Through explaining the importance of research, record keeping, and generating accounting statements, students will prepare for future conversations to request funding.

#### AGRI 3270/Vegetable Crop Production

Students will study the principles and practices utilized to cultivate vegetable crops, emphasizing but not limited to southwest British Columbia production (topics include adapted and novel crops and cultivars, field preparation, seeding, soil and nutrition management, water management, pest management, crop plant growth and development, crop maturation and harvest and post-harvest handling). They will also study integrated cropping system planning and management.

#### AGRI 3280/Fruit and Nut Crop Production

Students will study the principles and practices utilized in tree, small, bush, and cane fruit crops and nut crops cultivated in British Columbia (topics will include adapted and novel crops; climatic requirements; site selection and preparation; propagation; orchard, grove and patch planning and establishment; canopy management; pest, water, and fertility management; plant growth and development; crop maturation and harvest; and post-harvest handling and storage).

#### AGRI 4100/Crop Management Field Lab

Students will apply practical field skills in the management of organic field crops on a diversified farm. They will contribute to crop establishment, management, harvest, marketing, and agricultural pest and beneficial organism monitoring and management. Cultural, physical, behavioural, and biological pest control strategies will be emphasized and integrated.

Chemical control will be avoided if possible and limited to products allowed for use in organic production systems. Field and laboratory observations will be combined with an understanding of organisms' ecological needs and interactions to develop agroecosystem management strategies that reduce pest pressure and enable organic production. Students will also provide mentorship to junior students in the Applied Organic Agriculture II course. This course is only offered during the summer term.

# AGRI 3398/Crop Physiology and Ecology

Students will explore the interactions of plant communities with their environment across plant life cycles and the implications of this interaction on the quantity and quality of crop yield. They will examine definitions of productivity as it relates to sustainable land use. Students will learn biochemical, physiological and ecological principles important to the growth and development of crops and interaction with the environment.

# AGRI 4250/Agroecology in Action

In this capstone course, students will reflect on the skills and capacities they have developed in the Sustainable Agriculture program and consider their next steps and contributions to this field. This exploration will be facilitated through various means including extensive writing and reflection, meeting professionals in the field and learning about work opportunities. Alongside instructors and professionals, each student will define a question they would like to explore. They will reflect and compile a portfolio that demonstrates how the skills and knowledge can be applied in the agricultural sector.

# AGRI 4298/Agroecology as a Global Movement

In this class we will explore how agroecology has developed as a transnational social movement for more democratic, equitable, and sustainable agri-food systems. Students will analyze and lead discussions on a series of selected case studies from around the world, examining the barriers and successes that grassroots farmer movements have faced. We will consider the role of national and international governments, trade, civil society, farm workers, rural and urban communities, and social groups in shaping these movements, as well as the role of geographic and environmental factors. Students will then research and present their own case study, focusing on a grassroots group of their choosing that is working to make change in the food system.

# **Calendar Descriptions of Removed Required Courses**

# AGRI 2240 Ecologically Based Pest Management

Students will study common plant, insect, mite, bacterial, fungal, viral and vertebrate pests, and associated injury and or disease caused to common fruit and vegetable crop plants cultivated in the Pacific Northwest. They will study the agroecological basis for plant pest occurrence and plant response to infestation/infection. Students will study cultural, behavioral, biological, physical and chemical pest management methods and tools based on maintaining or enhancing agro-ecosystem integrity, function and sustainability. They will learn to identify/ diagnose arthropod, plant and microbial pests/ disease and develop appropriate integrated pest management strategies and action plans. They will also learn to distinguish between pathogenic and non-pathogenic plant disease.

## AGRI 3290 Agroecosystem Management I

Students will study the integrated application of food crop production principles and practices in a laboratory farm setting. They will focus on late winter and spring operations including planning seasonal operations and plantings, equipment assessment and maintenance; procuring seed and plants; establishing orchard and field plantings; perennial crops canopy management; soil, nutrition, irrigation and pest management regimes.

# AGRI 3390 Agro-Ecosystems Management II

Students will build on the crop production principles and practices of integrated crop production covered in AGRI 3290. They will focus on spring and summer operations including work scheduling; transplant production; planting, transplanting, and direct seeding; fertility management; equipment use and maintenance; irrigation; pest management; weed management; warm season cover cropping; harvest; post-harvest management; and record keeping.

## AGRI 4190 Agro-Ecosystems Management III

Students will continue to build on integrated crop production principles and practices learned in previous Agro-Ecosystems Management courses. They will focus on fall operations including work scheduling, late season planting, season extension,

fertility management, equipment use and maintenance, pest management, cool season cover cropping, harvest, post-harvest management, and record keeping.

# AGRI 3135 Business of Agriculture

Students will examine the unique aspects of small-scale agricultural business operations. They will study the critical factors involved in business development and management such as: goal setting, farm mapping and planning, business plan development, record keeping, employee management and marketing.

# Calendar Description of Courses Removed as Required to Elective

# AGRI 3399 Research Project I (This course is now an honours option)

Students will implement the applied research project proposed in AGRI 3225 and participate in a journal club. They will provide regular updates on research progress, challenges encountered, and changes made to the original plan. They will collect and archive data. Students will complete the project and present their work in poster, paper and presentation format in AGRI 4299

# AGRI 4299 Research Project II (This course is now an honours option)

Students will complete, analyze, and present their applied research project implemented in AGRI 3399 and participate in a community of learning through a Journal Club

# AGRI 3260 Animal Agriculture

Students will study introductory and general principles and practices utilized for small and large animal production, with an emphasis on small scale, low input, integrated methods and objectives. They will study breeds and breeding, nutrition and health, reproduction, sheltering, growth and development, behavior, egg, meat and milk production, and integration of stock with cropping systems on sustainable farms.

# AGRI 4298 Internship

In this course, students engage in a hands-on workplace experience related to their career interests in agriculture and food systems. In collaboration with the host organization, students complete 120 hours of internship work, students establish their own learning goals, track progress towards those goals, and deliver a presentation of their work at the end of the term. Students must identify and secure an internship at an organization of their choice, and have it approved by the instructor, before enrolling in this class. Please meet with the instructor several months ahead of the start of class – or as early in your degree as you wish – for an internship advising session.

# **Calendar Description of Elective Courses removed**

## **CHEM 1110 Structure of Matter**

Students will study the modern view of atomic structure, nuclear chemistry, theories of bonding and molecular structure, organic chemistry (properties and reactions of the major functional groups and isomerism) after a brief review of stoichiometry, gases and the treatment of experimental data. Students will also perform experiments in the laboratory.

# PHIL 1110 Intro to Moral Philosophy

Students will consider the meaning and justification of moral judgment by examining various views on whether or not morality has an objective basis. They will be introduced to leading theories of ethical conduct and will learn to apply these theories to contemporary moral problems and workplace situations.

PHIL 1112 Intro to Environmental Ethics

# POLI 1120 Canadian Government and Politics

Students will survey Canadian politics and government. They will explore Canada's political culture, its constitution, federalism, and relations with indigenous peoples, as well as its institutions of government, including parliament, crown, prime minister and cabinet, bureaucracy, and the courts. Students will also investigate the mechanisms that help to mobilize citizens and link them to government, such as political parties, elections, interest groups and social movements. Students will thus acquire an enhanced command of their political environment and an enriched understanding of dilemmas facing Canada as a diverse liberal-democratic community.

## POLI 1125 Intro to Political Science

Students will examine the fundamental concepts and phenomena of political life. They will: explore such core concepts as power, authority, legitimacy, states, ideology, and political culture; analyze different approaches to organizing political systems (e.g., authoritarian and democratic); and investigate various institutions of government, such as constitutions, legislatures, executives, and judiciaries. Students will examine mechanisms for mobilizing civic participation, including political parties, elections, interest groups, and social movements, and survey the international context within which states operate.