

Proposition: 36-16/17

Title: Associate of Applied Science in Public Health: Degree name change and reduction of credit hours

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Proposed Committee: Consent Agenda

Assigned Committee:

Prior Approvals:

Faculty, 10/3/16
Department Chair, 10/3/16
Division Dean, 10/5/16
DACC College Curriculum Committee, 11/18/16
VPAA, 11/18/16
CC System Committee, 2/13/17
ADAC, 3/13/17

Proposal: Reduction in total credit hours to 60 by removing 6 credits and a change of the degree name from Associate of Applied Science in Public Health to Associate of Public Health.

Rationale: This request reflects a campus-wide effort to reduce associate degree programs to 60 credits. Three credits in “Technical Requirements” and three credits in “Related Requirements” are being eliminated.

In addition, The “Associate of Applied Science” is typically associated with career technical education, or workforce, programs. Public Health is a transfer program, with a 2+2 articulation agreement with the Bachelor of Public Health at NMSU. This change makes clear the transfer mission of the program: Associate of Public Health --> Bachelor of Public Health --> Master of Public Health. Please see attached documents for additional details on this proposal.