



**SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF REGENTS  
ACADEMIC AFFAIRS FORMS**

**Substantive Program Modification Form**

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| <b>UNIVERSITY:</b>                  | <b>SDSU</b>  |
| <b>CURRENT PROGRAM DEGREE:</b>      | <b>Bachelor of Science (B.S.)</b>                                  |
| <b>CURRENT PROGRAM MAJOR/MINOR:</b> | <b>Economics</b>   |
| <b>CURRENT SPECIALIZATION:</b>      | <b>Agricultural Economics</b>                                      |
| <b>CIP CODE:</b>                    | <b>45.0601 – Major CIP<br/>01.0103 – Specialization CIP</b>        |
| <b>UNIVERSITY DEPARTMENT:</b>       | <b>Ness School of Management and<br/>Economics</b>                 |
| <b>BANNER DEPARTMENT CODE:</b>      | <b>SSME</b>  |
| <b>UNIVERSITY COLLEGE:</b>          | <b>College of Agriculture, Food and<br/>Environmental Sciences</b> |
| <b>BANNER COLLEGE CODE:</b>         | <b>3F</b>  |

**University Approval**

*To the Board of Regents and the Executive Director: I certify that I have read this proposal, that I believe it to be accurate, and that it has been evaluated and approved as provided by university policy.*

Dennis D. Hedge

Vice President of Academic Affairs or  
President of the University

4/28/2023

Date

**1. This modification addresses a change in:**

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|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Total credits required within the discipline     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Total credits of supportive course work |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Total credits of elective course work | <input type="checkbox"/> Total credits required for program                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Program name                                     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Existing specialization                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CIP Code   | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (explain below)                              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Modification requiring Board of Regents approval |   |

*Must have prior approval from Executive Director or designee*

**2. Effective date of change: 2023-2024 Academic Year**

**3. Program Degree Level:**

Associate ☐ Bachelor's ☒ Master's ☐ Doctoral ☐

**4. Category:**

Certificate ☐ Specialization ☒ Minor ☐ Major ☐

**5. If a name change is proposed, the change will occur:**

☐ On the effective date for all students

☐ On the effective date for students new to the program (enrolled students will graduate from existing program)

Proposed new name:

**6. Is the program being modified associated with a current articulation agreement? Yes ☐ No ☒**

a. If yes, will the articulation agreement need to be updated with the partner institution following the approve of the program change? Please explain:

**7. Primary Aspects of the Modification:**

| <i>Existing Curriculum</i>                                |              |   |              | <i>Proposed Curriculum (highlight changes)</i>           |                |  |               |
|---|--------------|---|--------------|--|----------------|--|---------------|
| Pref.   | Num.         | Title   | Cr.Hrs.      | Pref.  | Num.           | Title  | Cr.Hrs.       |
| <b>Systems General Education Requirements</b>             |              |   | <b>31-32</b> | <b>Systems General Education Requirements</b>            |                |  | <b>25-26</b>  |
| <b>Systems General Education Requirements - Electives</b> |              |   | <b>18</b>    | <b>Systems General Education Requirements- Electives</b> |                |  | <b>21</b>     |
|   |              |   |              |  |                | SGR 1 – Written Communication  | 3             |
|   |              |   |              |  |                | SGR 1 – Written Communication  | 3             |
|   |              |   |              |  |                | SGR 2 – Oral Communication   | 3             |
|   |              | SGR 3 – Social Sciences/Diversity   | 3            |  |                | <del>SGR 3 – Social Sciences/Diversity</del>   | <del>3</del>  |
|   |              | SGR 3 – Social Sciences/Diversity   | 3            |  |                | <del>SGR 3 – Social Sciences/Diversity</del>   | <del>3</del>  |
|   |              | SGR 4 – Humanities and Arts/Diversity   | 3            |  |                | SGR 4 – Humanities and Arts/Diversity  | 3             |
|   |              | SGR 4 – Humanities and Arts/Diversity   | 3            |  |                | SGR 4 – Humanities and Arts/Diversity  | 3             |
|   |              | SGR 6 – Natural Sciences  | 3            |  |                | SGR 6 – Natural Sciences   | 3             |
|   |              | SGR 6 – Natural Sciences  | 3            |  |                | SGR 6 – Natural Sciences   | 3             |
| <b>Systems General Education Requirements - Required</b>  |              |   | <b>13-14</b> | <b>Systems General Education Requirements - Required</b> |                |  | <b>4-5</b>    |
| ENGL  | 101          | Composition I (SGR #1)  | 3            | <del>ENGL</del>  | <del>101</del> | <del>Composition I (SGR #1)</del>  | <del>3</del>  |
| ENGL  | 201          | Composition II (SGR #1)   | 3            | <del>ENGL</del>  | <del>201</del> | <del>Composition II (SGR #1)</del>   | <del>3</del>  |
| CMST  | 101          | Fundamentals of Speech (SGR #2)   | 3            | <del>CMST</del>  | <del>101</del> | <del>Fundamentals of Speech</del>  | <del>3</del>  |
|   |              |   |              | <del>ABS</del>   | <del>203</del> | <del>Global Food Systems (SGR #3)</del>  | <del>--</del> |
|   |              |   |              | <del>ECON</del>  | <del>201</del> | <del>Principles of Microeconomics (SGR #3) (Major Requirement)</del>   | <del>--</del> |
| MATH OR MATH  | 121-121L 123 | Survey of Calculus and Lab (5) (SGR #5)<br>Calculus I (4) (SGR #5)  | 4-5          | MATH OR MATH   | 121-121L 123   | Survey of Calculus and Lab (5) (SGR #5)<br>Calculus I (4) (SGR #5)   | 4-5           |
| <b>College Requirements</b>                               |              |   | <b>8</b>     | <b>College Requirements</b>                              |                |  | <b>8</b>      |
|   |              | Students must complete a minimum of 11 credits from the approved list of Group 1 courses in Agriculture, Food and Environmental Science. Some departments require specific courses from the list, whereas others leave the selection entirely to the student and the advisor. |              |  |                | <del>Students must complete a minimum of 11 credits from the approved list of Group 1 courses in Agriculture, Food and Environmental Science. Some departments require specific courses from the list, whereas others leave the selection entirely to the student and the advisor.</del> |               |
| ABS   | 203          | Global Food Systems   | 3            | <del>ABS</del>   | <del>203</del> | <del>Global Food Systems</del>   | <del>3</del>  |
| AGEC  | 354          | Agricultural Marketing and Prices (3) (Major Requirement)   | --           | <del>AGEC</del>  | <del>354</del> | <del>Agricultural Marketing and Prices (3) (Major Requirement)</del>   | <del>--</del> |
|   |              | Select from Group 1 Courses   | 5            |  |                | <del>Select from Group 1 Courses</del>   | <del>5</del>  |
| <b>Major Requirements</b>                                 |              |   | <b>47</b>    | <b>Major Requirements</b>                                |                |  | <b>47</b>     |
| ACCT  | 210          | Principles of Accounting I  | 3            | ACCT   | 210            | Principles of Accounting I   | 3             |
| ACCT  | 211          | Principles of Accounting II   | 3            | ACCT   | 211            | Principles of Accounting II  | 3             |
| AGEC  | 354          | Agricultural Marketing & Prices   | 3            | AGEC   | 354            | Agricultural Marketing & Prices  | 3             |
| AGEC OR ECON OR ECON                                      | 479 413 433  | Agricultural Policy (3)<br>Macroeconomic Policy (3)<br>Public Finance (3)   | 3            | AGEC OR ECON OR ECON                                     | 479 413 433    | Agricultural Policy (3)<br>Macroeconomic Policy (3)<br>Public Finance (3)  | 3             |
| ECON  | 119          | First Year Seminar  | 1            | ECON   | 119            | First Year Seminar   | 1             |
| ECON  | 201          | Principles of Microeconomics (SGR #3)   | 3            | ECON   | 201            | Principles of Microeconomics (SGR #3)  | 3             |
| ECON  | 202          | Principles of Macroeconomics  | 3            | ECON   | 202            | Principles of Macroeconomics   | 3             |
| ECON  | 301          | Intermediate Microeconomics   | 3            | ECON   | 301            | Intermediate Microeconomics  | 3             |
| ECON  | 302          | Intermediate Macroeconomics   | 3            | ECON   | 302            | Intermediate Macroeconomics  | 3             |

| Existing Curriculum   |      |   |         | Proposed Curriculum (highlight changes)                                    |      |   |         |
|---|------|---|---------|--|------|---|---------|
| Pref.   | Num. | Title   | Cr.Hrs. | Pref.  | Num. | Title   | Cr.Hrs. |
| ECON  | 319  | Seminar with Industry Leaders                     | 1       | ECON   | 319  | Seminar with Industry Leaders   | 1       |
| ECON  | 423  | Introduction to Econometrics                      | 3       | ECON   | 423  | Introduction to Econometrics  | 3       |
| ECON  | 428  | Mathematical Economics                            | 3       | ECON   | 428  | Mathematical Economics  | 3       |
| ECON  | 485  | Economics Capstone                                | 3       | ECON   | 485  | Economics Capstone  | 3       |
|   |      | AGEC Elective (300-level or higher)               | 6       |  |      | AGEC Elective (300-level or higher)   | 6       |
|   |      | AGEC, ECON, or FIN Elective (300-level or higher) | 6       |  |      | AGEC, ECON, or FIN Elective (300-level or higher)                               | 6       |
| Supporting Coursework   |      |   | 6       | Supporting Coursework  |      |   | 13-15   |
|   |      |   |         | ABS  | 203  | Global Food Systems (SGR #3)  | 3       |
| ENGL  | 379  | Technical Communication                           | 3       | ENGL   | 379  | Technical Communication   | 3       |
| STAT  | 281  | Introduction to Statistics                        | 3       | STAT   | 281  | Introduction to Statistics  | 3       |
|   |      |   |         |  |      | ABS (excluding ABS 203), AS, AST, DS, EES, FS, HO, NRM, PRAG, PS, RANG, VET, WL | 4-6     |
| Electives (Taken as needed to complete any additional degree requirements)  |      |   | 27-28   | Electives (Taken as needed to complete any additional degree requirements) |      |   | 32-35   |
| Summary of Credits Economics (B.S.) - Agricultural Economics Specialization |      |   |         |  |      |   |         |
| System General Education Requirements                                       |      |   | 31-32   | System General Education Requirements                                      |      |   | 25-26   |
| College Requirements  |      |   | 8       | College Requirements   |      |   | 8       |
| Majors Requirements   |      |   | 47      | Majors Requirements  |      |   | 47      |
| Supporting Coursework   |      |   | 6       | Supporting Coursework  |      |   | 13-15   |
| Electives (Taken as needed to complete additional requirements)             |      |   | 27-28   | Electives (Taken as needed to complete additional requirements)            |      |   | 32-35   |
| Total number of hours required for major                                    |      |   | 74-75   | Total number of hours required for major                                   |      |   | 64-67   |
| Total number of hours required for degree                                   |      |   | 120     | Total number of hours required for degree                                  |      |   | 120     |

## Academic Requirements:

### Current:

If a student chooses to double major in two majors offered through the Ness School of Management and Economics (Economics, Agricultural Business, Business Economics and Entrepreneurial Studies), the second major needs to have at least 18 credits that are distinct from the first major.

### Proposed:

Students must earn a grade of “C” or better in ECON 485 Economics Capstone.

If a student chooses to double major in two majors offered through the Ness School of Management and Economics (Economics, Agricultural Business, Business Economics and Entrepreneurial Studies), the second major needs to have at least 15 credits that are distinct from the first major.

## 8. Explanation of the Change:

Removed a specific course selection from SGR #1 and SGR #2 to allow students more flexibility in meeting their System General Education requirements. Clearly indicated ABS Global Food Systems and ECON 201 Principles of Microeconomics are required SGR #3 courses.

Decreased non-duplicative credit requirement if double majoring from 18 to 15 credits. This is necessary with the move to a common capstone course between the Agricultural Business, Business Economics, and Entrepreneurial Studies majors, which eliminates the capstone as a non-duplicative course.

The College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences has eliminated the college requirement to complete 11 credits from the Group 1 list. ABS 203 Global Food Systems and a requirement for

students to select 4-6 credits of ag, food and environmental sciences elective coursework were moved the supporting coursework requirements.