GRADUATE COUNCIL

NEW PROGRAM PROPOSAL

ORIGINATING UNIT:  Ranch Management

TYPE OF ACTION:

_______ New course

_____XX____ New program

Semester and year program will take effect:  Fall 2010

NEW PROGRAM TITLE:  Graduate Certificate In Ranch Management

Prerequisites for new program:

For admission, an applicant must possess a bachelor's degree from an institution regarded as standard by the University and a regional accrediting agency. Further, the student must have at least a cumulative 3.0 Grade-Point on 4.0 Scale, at the Bachelor level.

In addition, the student must be admitted to the Ranch Management Program.

DESCRIPTION OF NEW PROGRAM (catalog copy):

To earn the Graduate Certificate in Ranch Management, the student must successfully complete RAMA 50503, RAMA 50603, RAMA 50803 and RAMA 50213 (12 hours) for graduate credit, and RAMA 30102, RAMA 30403, RAMA 30703, RAMA 40103, RAMA 40303, RAMA 40313, RAMA 40903 and RAMA 40112 (22 hours) as undergraduate credit.

Upon successful completion of the combined 34 hours, the student will be awarded the Graduate Certificate in Ranch Management.

Note: The student must complete all four of the graduate level courses (RAMA 50503, RAMA 50603, RAMA 50803 and RAMA 50213) as graduate-level courses in order to earn the Graduate Certificate.

Student must declare their intention to pursue the Graduate Certificate Program, prior to their enrollment in any Ranch Management courses.
SUPPORTING EVIDENCE OR JUSTIFICATION:

As a new program, the graduate certificate in Ranch Management will allow students who have completed an undergraduate degree to enroll in the graduate certificate program and obtain graduate-level credit, while simultaneously completing the other course-work necessary for the awarding of the graduate certificate in Ranch Management.

The four courses of the graduate certificate program have been revised from similar courses that have been part of the undergraduate certificate program for several years. As part of the periodic updates for the courses, the revisions for these four have given the ability to accommodate students working at the graduate level.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES REQUIRED:

Faculty: None

Space: None

Equipment: None

Library: None

Other:

CHANGE IN TEACHING LOAD:

Does this change affect any other units of the University?  ____ Yes  ____ No

If yes, submit supporting statement signed by chair of affected unit.

If cross-listed, provide evidence of approval by all curriculum committees appropriate to both the originating and the cross-listed units.

Chair of Originating Unit:  
Signature: Kerry Cornelius
Name: Kerry Cornelius
Unit: Ranch Mgmt.

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